



BRS vows fierce retaliation as SIT targets KCR

The Bharat Rashtra Samithi has officially shifted into an aggressive campaign mode following the decision by the Special Investigating Team (SIT) to serve notices to party chief K Chandrashekar Rao. The investigation, which centres on allegations of phone tapping, has sparked a firestorm of protest across the state. Immediately after news of the notice broke, party leaders and supporters gathered at Agrasen Chowk near Telangana Bhavan to burn an effigy of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy in a defiant show of strength. Senior BRS leaders have characterised the SIT action as "vendetta politics" and a blatant attempt to harass anyone who dares to challenge the current administration. With the municipal elections on the horizon, the party intends to take this issue directly to the voters, arguing that the Congress government is prioritising political revenge over governance.



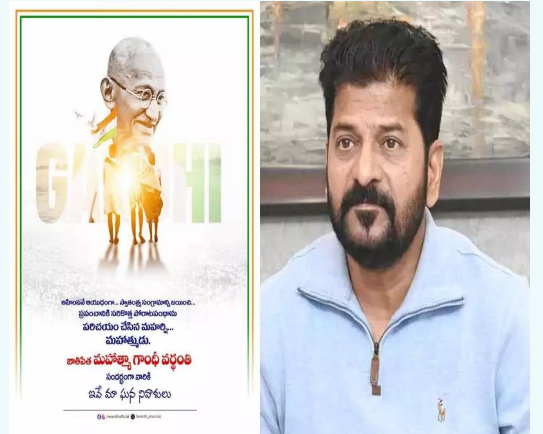
They claim the timing is calculated specifically to demoralise BRS activists and create a climate of fear during the election cycle. "Telangana will boil if K Chandrashekar Rao is touched," warned several party representatives, asserting that they are not intimidated by the legal summons. The unrest has already spread to educational hubs, with the student wing, BRSV, burning effigies at Osmania

University. Similar protests were reported across various districts as the party rank and file rallied behind their founder. Describing the move as the "height of madness," party leaders stated that targeting K Chandrashekar Rao is equivalent to targeting the people of Telangana themselves. Working president KT Rama Rao issued a scathing critique, reminding the public that his father is a leader of

unwavering resolve who risked his life to achieve statehood and spent a decade nurturing Telangana like a newborn child.

KT Rama Rao pointed out that the Congress government, which he claims rose to power on a foundation of reckless assurances and false promises, is merely attempting to divert public attention from its own failures. He insisted that the investigation lacks credibility and is driven by political malice rather than a pursuit of justice. "This is not an investigation; it is revenge. K Chandrashekar Rao resides in the hearts of the people, and we will stand as their voice against this unjust rule," he stated. As the January 30 nomination deadline looms, the BRS remains committed to a confrontational path, ensuring that the SIT notices become a central theme in the upcoming democratic contest.

Revanth Reddy Pays Tribute to Mahatma Gandhi on Death Anniversary



On 30th January, the death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of the Nation, Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy commemorated the revered leader's sacrifices and ideals. Sharing his thoughts on X (formerly Twitter), Reddy praised Gandhi's efforts in securing India's independence through non-violence and highlighted his pioneering approach to struggle.

"In his pursuit of freedom, Mahatma Gandhi employed non-violence as his weapon and charted a new course for the world. On this day, I pay my heartfelt tributes to that great soul," Reddy posted.

Over 7,000 nominations filed for municipal polls

A whopping over 7,000 nominations were filed on the second day of nominations for the 2,996 wards in the 123 Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) in the state. According to the State Election Commission authorities, the total number of nominations filed on Thursday was 7,403 by 7,080 candidates. On the first day, over 900 nominations were filed. The number of nominations is likely to increase further on Friday as it will be the last day to file nominations.

The nominations will be received till 5 pm on January 30. The scrutiny of nominations will take place on January 31 and the last date for withdrawal of nominations will be February 3. On the same



day, the Commission would publish the final list of contesting candidates. Polling will be held from 7 am to 5 pm on February 11.

Chandrababu opens Mother and Child Care centre at Guntur GGH

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu stated that societal prosperity depends on reducing economic inequalities. He officially opened the Mother and Child Care Centre at Guntur Government Hospital, a project funded by a Rs. 100 crore donation from alumni. Speaking at the event, Chandrababu highlighted the importance of societal growth alongside individual progress. He praised the community's efforts in service activities and donations, emphasising that education is a key to success. He cited former President Kalam as an inspiration, stressing that anyone from an ordinary background can achieve high positions with self-confidence and determination. He urged



everyone to contribute to society through the P4 programme. Joining him at the event were Union Minister of State Pemmasani Chandrasekhar, District Collector Thameem Ansari, and MLAs Nazir Ahmed, Galla Madhavi, Tenali Shruvan Kumar, Dhulipalla Narendra Kumar, and Burla Ramanjaneyulu.

NCP Seeks To Retain Key Cabinet Portfolios After Ajit Pawar's Death

Senior leaders of the Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) met Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Friday to stake claim to the cabinet portfolios previously held by party chief and Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar, who died in a plane crash earlier this week.

Veteran leaders Praful Patel, Sunil Tatkare and Chhagan Bhujbal visited the Chief Minister's official residence to press for the continuation of key departments within the NCP's quota under the ruling Mahayuti alliance.

According to party sources, the NCP is preparing to formally request that important portfolios such as Finance, State Excise and Sports remain with the party.



The leadership has conveyed its intent to ensure continuity while addressing the political vacuum created by Ajit Pawar's sudden

passing. Speaking to reporters after the meeting, Praful Patel said the party favours an early decision

on filling the post but stressed the need to respect public sentiment and give the Pawar family time to grieve. He added that consultations would be held with Ajit Pawar's wife, Rajya Sabha MP Sunetra Pawar, and other family members before finalising any move.

Ajit Pawar's death has triggered uncertainty within the NCP, reopening debates over the party's future leadership and reviving speculation about a possible merger between the rival factions led by Ajit Pawar and Sharad Pawar.

The party has scheduled a legislative meeting on Sunday, where Sunetra Pawar is expected to be elected leader of the NCP legislative group, which is part of the BJP- and Shiv Sena-

led Mahayuti government. A separate meeting on Saturday is likely to take a call on the party's next president.

Meanwhile, leaders from the Sharad Pawar-led faction have claimed that discussions on reunification are at an advanced stage. Senior leader Anil Deshmukh said a merger was Ajit Pawar's long-standing wish and that efforts toward reunification had been underway for some time, though electoral schedules delayed a final announcement.

Another senior leader, Eknath Khadse, echoed the sentiment, stating that talks between the two factions were close to completion and that a formal declaration had been planned.

The Gandhian path is exemplary for everyone:

- J. Dasarath, National Publicity Secretary, Telugu Desam Party



Chikkadapally, January 30 (Metro Udayam) : Telugu Desam Party National Publicity Secretary J. Dasarath stated that the Gandhian path is exemplary for everyone. On Friday, he participated in the Mahatma Gandhi death anniversary celebrations held in various areas of the Amberpet constituency, paying tribute by garlanding Gandhi's statues and portraits. He also paid homage to Gandhi's statue at the Bapu Ghat in the city. Speaking afterward, he praised the paths of truth and non-violence shown by Bapu, saying they stand as golden paths for future generations. Several prominent personalities were present at the event.

The deadline for municipal nominations is over.



Kodada January 30 Metro Morning

The Kodada Municipal Office was crowded with candidates on Friday, the last day for filing nominations for municipal elections. Since morning, candidates of various parties along with their supporters gathered in huge rallies and submitted their nominations. There was commotion in the office premises as candidates competed to submit their nomination papers by the deadline. While the officials made arrangements as per the election rules, the police made heavy security to prevent any untoward incident. The process of nominations has ended today.



Free Veterinary Medical Camp Organised at sri ram goraksha sewa sadan

Chikkadapally, January 30 Metro Udayam : In a commendable initiative towards animal welfare, a Free Veterinary Medical Camp was successfully organised at Sri Rama goraksha sewa sadan gowshala by Lions Club of Hyderabad Samarpan in joint collaboration with the Telangana Goshala Federation. The camp received valuable medical support from Indian Immunologicals Ltd. The chief guest the president of the Telangana Goshala federation said that the primary objective of the camp was to ensure better health care and disease prevention for the cattle housed at the gaushala. A dedicated team of veterinary doctors under the able guidance of dr. Gunindra borah and Dr rajou gouru and para-medical staff from Indian Immunologicals Ltd. conducted thorough health check-ups of the animals and provided necessary treatments on the spot. During the camp, free medicines, vaccines, and nutritional supplements were distributed to ensure the well-being of the cattle. The medical team also offered guidance to gowshala caretakers on preventive healthcare practices, vac-



nation schedules, and proper nutrition management. Lions international animal welfare division district chairman sri prem Chand munot appreciated the proactive support extended by Indian Immunologicals Ltd., stating that such collaborative efforts significantly strengthen animal welfare initiatives and contribute to maintaining healthy cattle popula-

tions. The organisers expressed their commitment to continue conducting similar veterinary camps in the future to support gowshalas across Telangana and promote comprehensive animal healthcare. The initiative was widely appreciated by the local gowshala management for its meaningful contribution to cow protection and welfare.

Kasturibai Memorial Meeting Held Grandly at Tarnaka

Sarees Distributed to the Poor; Annadanam Programme Organised

Hyderabad, metro udayam January 30 :

A memorial programme in remembrance of Akula Kasturibai was held in a grand manner at Tarnaka on Friday under the leadership of senior Tarnaka Division leaders Akula Nagabhushanam and Akula Srinivas.

As part of the programme, sarees were distributed to poor women, followed by an annadanam (free meal) programme for the needy. Speaking on the occasion, BJP senior leader Akula Srinivas recalled his mother Akula Kasturibai and stated that organizing service-oriented activities in her memory has become an annual tradition. He expressed happiness over serving the poor in her name and said such programmes give immense satisfaction.

BJP contested MLA Mekala Sarangapani, BJP senior leaders Venkatesh Goud and Krishnamurthy, Akula Madhavi, Congress leader Jidi Amarnath Goud, BJP leaders Pochayya Yadav, Srinivas Chary and several others attended the programme and made it a success.



SURPRISE INSPECTION OF OBHS AND PANTRY CAR SERVICES AT VISAKHAPATNAM

Shri Kundu Rama Rao, ADRM (Operations), Waltair Division, conducted a surprise inspection at Visakhapatnam (VSKP) Railway Station today to review the quality of passenger amenities and onboard services.

During the inspection, Shri Kundu Rama Rao inspected the On-Board Housekeeping Service (OBHS) staff of Tirumala Express, with special emphasis on the quality and timely supply of linen to passengers. He interacted with the staff on duty and verified compliance with prescribed standards and procedures.

ADRM also inspected the pantry car of Prasanthi Express to assess the cleanliness, hygiene, and overall maintenance of the catering unit. Instructions were issued to ensure strict adherence to



cleanliness norms and to maintain high standards of hygiene for the comfort and safety of passengers.

Shri Kundu Rama Rao emphasized the importance of continuous monitoring and accountability in maintaining passenger amenities and



directed the concerned officials and service providers to ensure consistent quality service.

Hariprasad Sharma enters election ring with blessings



Kodada January 30 Metro Morning

On Friday, the last day for filing nominations for the municipal elections, the clamor of candidates was associated with spiritual sentiment. A number of candidates took the blessings of Sri Vishnubotla Hariprasad Sharma, head of the Trishakti Sambhavi Peetham, a prominent priest of Kodada town. Before filing the nomination, his candidates, after performing special pujas and receiving his blessings, left for the municipal office. On this occasion, Sharma congratulated the candidates and gave Vedic blessings

Rs.33.18 cr budget approved for United Anantapur district libraries

Anantapur: The annual budget of the United Anantapur District Library Organisation for the financial year 2026-27, with an estimated outlay of 33.18 crore, was approved at a general body meeting held here on Thursday.

The meeting was organised at the District Library Organisation office in Anantapur under the chairmanship of the organisation's Honorary President B Venkatanarayana, popularly known as Vadde Venkat.

Members of the general body participated in the deliberations and discussed the proposed estimates in detail.

Library Secretary P Rama presented the budget proposals, while members including District Deputy Educational Officer Srinivasa Rao, District Panchayat Officer Nagaraju Naidu, Assistant Director of Adult Education S Venkateshwarlu and representatives from the Information and Public Relations Department attended the meeting.

OU announces Inter-College C'ships schedule

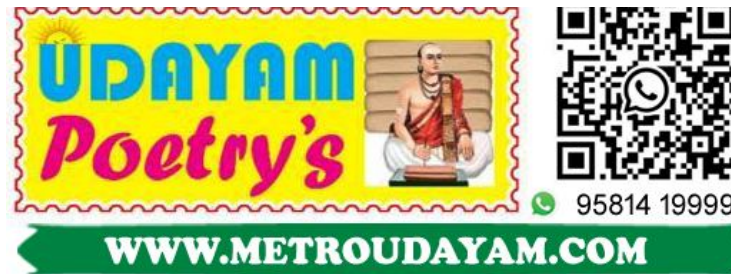


Osmania University has announced the schedule for three Inter-College Championships for Men to be held in February 2026. The Inter-College Chess Championship will take place on February 2 and 3 at Vivekananda Government Degree College, Vidyanagar.

The Inter-College Karate Championship is scheduled for February 5 at 7.30 am at Lords Institute of Engineering and Technology.

The Inter-College Best Physique Championship will be conducted on February 7 at Vivekananda Government Degree College, Vidyanagar.

Interested colleges and participants can contact Prof. S. Jagan Mohan, Organising Secretary, at 9440038233 for Chess and Best Physique events, and Md. Habeeb Khan, Organising Secretary, at 9705139780 for the Karate Championship.



साबिर (धैर्यवान, संयमी व्यक्ति) कभी कामयाबी से हाथ नहीं धोता भले ही उसे मुद्दों इंतजार करना पड़े।... (शकील उवाचा -६०२)

दुनिया में हम जुल्म (अत्याचार) और सब्र (संयम, सहनशीलता) दोनों को देख सकते हैं। जुल्म करने वाले और सब्र करने वाले दोनों का विश्वास यही रहता है कि हम सही कह रहे हैं। लेकिन धर्म कहता है कि जुल्म कभी भी धर्म संगत और न्यायसंगत नहीं हो सकता। परमात्मा कभी अत्याचारियों के साथ नहीं रहता बल्कि संयमी, सहनशील सच्चे लोगों के साथ रहता है। इतिहास साक्षी है कि भले ही वक्ती तौर पर जीतते हुये नजर आने वाला जालिम हमेशा के लिये हार जाता है। अत्याचारी लोगों के दामन में समाज का तिरस्कार ही बचता है।

यह बात भी सब्र है कि सब्र करने वालों को बहुत तकलीफ (कष्ट) का सामना करना पड़ता है। सब्र, धैर्य, सहनशीलता बहादुरी की अलामत (वीरता का चिह्न) है। सब्र करने वाला व्यक्ति वास्तव में धैर्यवान होता है। पैगंबर साहब मोहम्मद (स्व.) के पहिले उत्तराधिकारी इमाम अली इब्न अबू तालिब अलैहिस्सलाम के कहने के मुताबिक "साबिर (धैर्यवान व्यक्ति) शुजाअत (बहादुर) है।" (हैदरी कुतुबखाना मुंबई द्वारा प्रकाशित उर्दू पुस्तक, तजल्लियाते हिकमत, बाब १२३, सब्र, हदीस क्रमांक ०८, पुष्ट क्रमांक २६९)।

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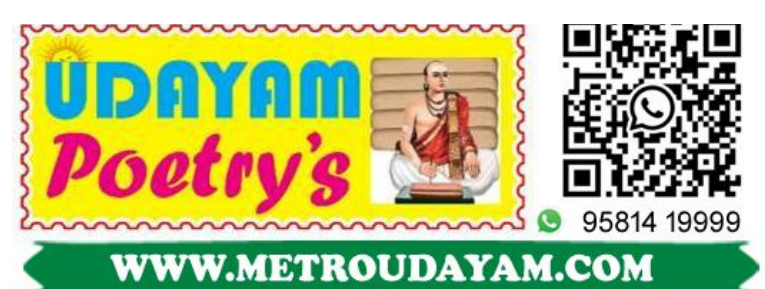


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बहुत से लोग सब्र (धैर्य, संयम) का मतलब अत्याचार का विरोध ना करने से लेने की भूल करते हैं, जबकि सब्र करने का मतलब किसी तरह के अत्याचार को सहन करना कभी नहीं होता। सब्र का मतलब जब कभी अपने ऊपर कोई विपदा आ जाये तो विचलित ना होकर धैर्य से उस विपदा का सामना करना होता है। अगर कोई हम पर अत्याचार करने पर उस अत्याचार का विरोध ना करना सब्र नहीं कहलाता। अत्याचार करना और सहन करना दोनों को भी धर्म गलत ही कहता है।

अगर जुल्म सहना धार्मिकता होती तो कोई भी धार्मिक व्यक्ति जुल्म के खिलाफ लड़ नहीं सकता। जुल्म सहना धार्मिकता होती तो इमाम अली अलैहिस्सलाम कभी जालिम के शत्रु बनकर रहो ऐसा ना कहते, , और इमाम हुसैन अलैहिस्सलाम कभी अत्याचारी यजीद लानती के जुल्म का विरोध करते करबला में अपनी आहूति न देते। जुल्म सहना धार्मिकता होती तो महाभारत में भगवान श्रीकृष्ण जी कभी अर्जुन को लड़ने के लिए प्रेरित ना करते, और अधर्म, अन्याय, अत्याचार के विरोध में लड़ने के लिये श्रीमद्भगवद्गीता की तालीम ना देते।

-डॉ. मोहम्मदशकील ताजमोहम्मद जाफरी (शकील मंसरी), मंसरी, पुणे (महाराष्ट्र) भारत



REPENTNESS!

It is well said!
Err is human!
Excuse divine!
None exceptional!

Known or unknown!
May with intention!
May be accidental!
Possible to hurt!

Rich and poor!
Weak and strong!
Either may insult other!
Reason not essential!

Pain is equal to all!
Sufferer feel trouble!
Doer may dominate!
Even can not tolerate re action!

Can not forget onething!
Remedy will be there!
No better substitute than REPENTNESS!
Reduces enimity,increase friendship!



Composed by:
B. Satyanarayana Rao,
(Ba. Sa. Raa)
Vijayawada.

Ranveer in deep trouble



sentiments.

The Karnataka Police have registered an FIR against Bollywood actor Ranveer Singh following allegations that he insulted sacred Daiva traditions during the closing ceremony of the International Film Festival of India (IFFI). The case was filed by the High Grounds police in Bengaluru based on a complaint lodged by advocate Prashanth Methal.

According to officials, Ranveer Singh has been booked under Sections 196, 299, and 302 of the Bharatiya Nyay Sanhita (BNS) Act, which deal with threats to public order, deliberate acts intended to outrage religious feelings, and intentional wounding of religious

The complainant alleged that the actor's actions were deliberate, malicious, and aimed at offending the religious beliefs of Hindu devotees, particularly those who worship Chavundi Daiva. It was stated that the incident had the potential to promote enmity and disturb communal harmony. Methal further claimed that Ranveer Singh enacted an emotional Daiva sequence inspired by Kantara: Chapter 1 despite being allegedly requested not to do so.

The complaint stressed that Chavundi Daiva is a revered guardian spirit worshipped in the Bhoota Kola traditions of Coastal Karnataka, symbolising justice,

protection, and divine feminine energy. Referring to the deity as a "female ghost" was described as blasphemous and deeply offensive to religious sentiments.

The FIR notes that the complainant is a lifelong devotee of Chavundi Daiva, which is also his family deity. He alleged that during the November 28, 2025 IFFI closing ceremony in Goa, Ranveer Singh mocked the sacred tradition by imitating Daiva expressions in a crude and derogatory manner. The video of the incident reportedly went viral on social media, causing distress among devotees. Further investigation is currently underway.

IRIS Florets Play School Inaugurated at Sai Nagar Colony, Nacharam



Hyderabad, metro udayam, January 30

A newly established IRIS Florets Play School was inaugurated at Sai Nagar Colony under the Nacharam Division on Thursday. The inauguration was formally conducted by Nacharam Division Corporator Shanthi Saijen Shekhar, in the presence of IRIS Florets Play School CMD Sireesh Thurlapati, who attended as the chief guest. Speaking on the occasion, Corporator

Shanthi Saijen Shekhar stated that among the existing play schools in the Nacharam area, IRIS Florets Play School stands out for its state-of-the-art infrastructure and comprehensive facilities aimed at the overall development of young children. She appreciated the school management for giving priority to child safety, quality education, and play-based learning through modern teaching methods.

The Corporator also specially congratulated the play school organizers Nagesh and Shirisha for their initiative in establishing a well-equipped play school in the locality. Play school staff members and local representatives including Ravikanth, Narayana, and others were present at the event.

Eatala slams oppn, seeks support for BJP in municipal polls

BJP leader and Malkajgiri MP Eatala Rajender launched a scathing attack on the Congress and BRS during a nomination rally for the Aliyabad municipal elections on Thursday. Addressing a large gathering, he claimed that both K Chandrashekar Rao and Revanth Reddy had failed to honour their commitments, leaving Telangana financially exhausted and unable to fund essential welfare schemes like pensions and unemployment benefits. Eatala Rajender described Aliyabad as a long-standing BJP bastion, noting its history of electing party representatives. Reflecting on his personal ties to the area between 1992 and 2002, he reminded

voters that the constituency had previously delivered a record-breaking majority of four lakh votes for the BJP. He credited Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership for elevating India's global stature and ensuring the delivery of welfare initiatives, such as free rice distribution, to millions of citizens.

The MP further alleged that the state government has been ineffective in securing development resources. He argued that landmark projects in Hyderabad, including new flyovers and the modernisation of railway stations, were only made possible through central government funding. According to Eatala Rajender, while the state leadership has deceived the public,



only the BJP can provide the necessary investment for smart city projects and genuine infrastructure growth.

The rally also saw sharp criticism of the Dharani land policy, which Eatala Rajender claimed has facilitated land grabs by mafias at the expense of poor farmers. He asserted that BJP leaders have consistently stood by the marginalised to prevent illegal demolitions. Urging the electorate to reject the influence of money and liquor in politics, he called for a vote for the lotus symbol to usher in transparent and dignified governance. He concluded by promising that a BJP victory would bring development that the citizens of Aliyabad could truly take pride in.

Railways-Fertilizer Dept Coordination Boosts Kharif and Rabi Supplies

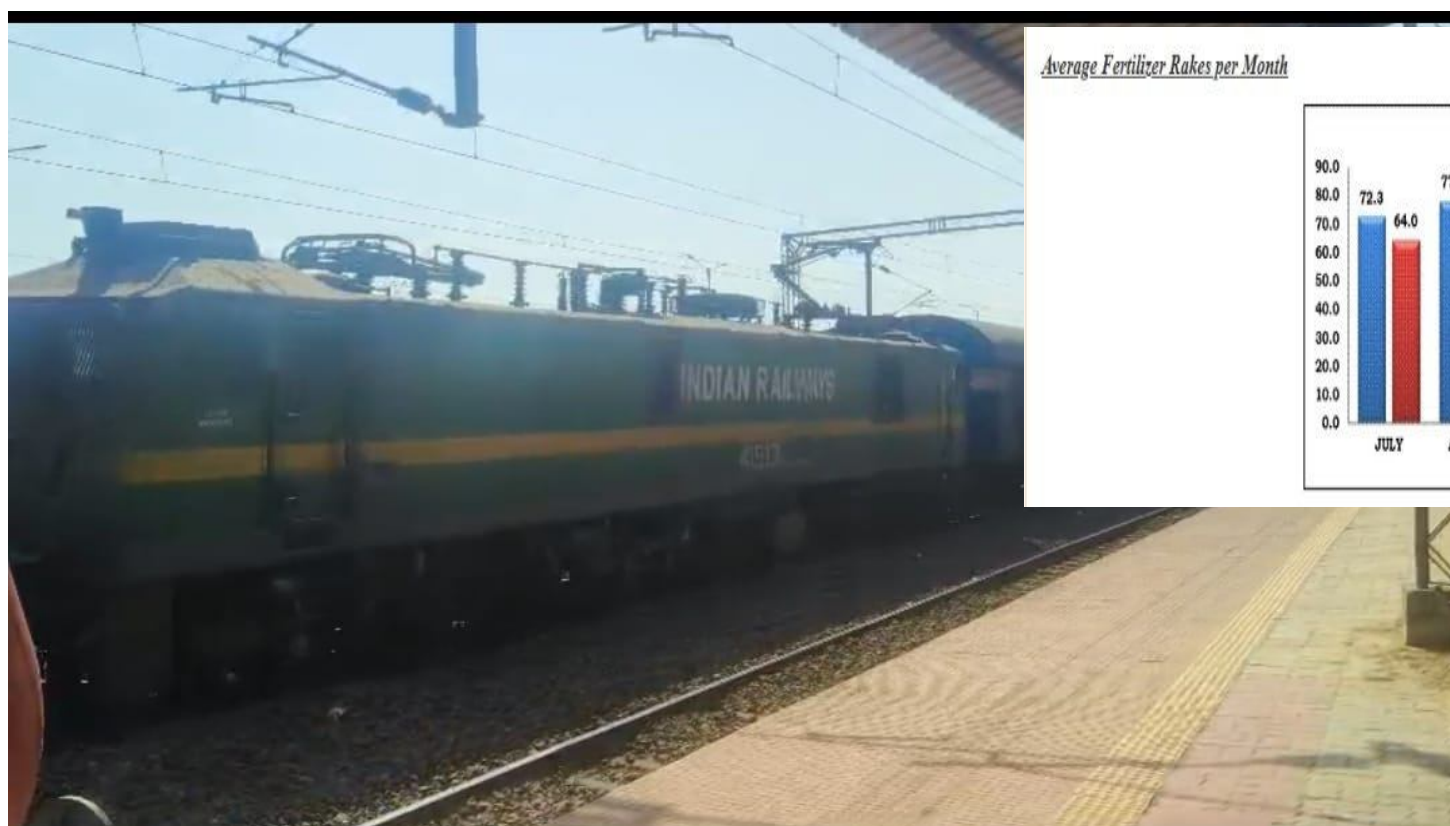
Seamless Operations Ensure Timely Fertilizer Movement

Government Maintains Ample Fertilizer Stocks Across All States

Focused Planning and Monitoring Support Farmers and Food Security

Ensuring the timely availability of fertilizers to farmers has remained one of the Government's highest priorities. In this direction, the improved coordination between the Ministry of Railways and the Department of Fertilizers during Kharif 2025 and the ongoing Rabi season was clearly visible at the ground level. Faster and smoother movement of fertilizer rakes enabled timely supplies to States, ensuring that farmers did not face any shortages during the critical stages of cultivation. Department of Fertilizers, appreciated this close cooperation by the Ministry of Railways and stated that such coordinated efforts have helped ensure adequate availability of fertilizers across the country.

During this period, average rake loading increased to 72 rakes per day in July 2025, rose to 78



rakes per day in August 2025 and reached 80 rakes per day in September 2025.

During the Financial Year 2025-26, from April to December 2025, the Government has ensured sufficient and comfortable availability of all major fertilizers across States. For urea, against a requirement of 312.40 Lakh Metric Tons, availability of 350.45 Lakh Metric Tons was

ensured. Further, major P&K fertilizers (viz. DAP, MOP & NPKS) saw availability of 287.69 LMT against the requirement of 252.81 LMT consistently exceeding assessed requirement and ensuring uninterrupted supply. States also took concerted measures to ensure last-mile availability to farmers.

Fertilizer movement during April-December 2025 reached an all-

time high, with net supplies crossing 530.16 Lakh Metric Tons, surpassing the 500 Lakh Metric Ton mark for the first time during this period. This represents a 12.2 percent increase over the corresponding period of FY 2024-25 and is 8.5 percent higher than the previous record of FY 2023-24.

Urea rake movement rose to 10,841 rakes, registering an 8

percent increase over last year, while P&K fertilizers recorded 8,806 rakes, marking an 18 percent growth. Enhanced coordination with the Ministry of Railways, Ports, State Governments, and fertilizer companies ensured seamless and timely supply to States during peak agricultural seasons.

A month-wise comparison from July to January (till 13th January) highlights the sustained increase in the corresponding period last year.

The remarkable performance in fertilizer movement reflects the Government's robust planning, real-time coordination, proactive resolution of bottlenecks, and focused monitoring at State and national levels.

Pawan Kalyan's quick style reset draws attention



After stepping deeper into active politics, Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan has been balancing governance with cinema, attending film shoots only occasionally instead of maintaining a regular on-set presence. With his focus largely shifting to public life, his on-screen grooming and appearance have also taken a back seat, sparking discussions among fans.

Just a few weeks ago, social media buzzed with complaints from fans who felt that Pawan Kalyan had completely ignored his looks. His short hair and rugged appearance became a talking point, with many expressing that the style did not suit him and lacked the trademark charm they associate with the star.

However, at a time when the criticism seemed to be peaking, Pawan Kalyan surprised everyone with a swift and noticeable makeover.

Within days, he transitioned from facing backlash over his unpolished look to sporting a sharper, more stylish appearance that reminded fans of his charismatic screen presence.

The change was evident during his recent public appearances. Pawan Kalyan first caught attention in Maharashtra, where he was seen wearing a traditional Sikh outfit, carrying it with grace and dignity. Shortly after, he appeared at the Republic Day celebrations in Amaravati in a cool, casual avatar, once again making headlines for his refreshed style.

While it is clear that Pawan Kalyan is currently more invested in his political responsibilities than his off-screen appearance, his cinematic legacy and the expectations of his massive fan base remain undeniable. The recent makeover suggests that he is striking a balance—embracing his role as a politician while still keeping an eye on the star image that millions continue to admire.

Tamannaah enters the fine jewellery space with a Gen Z-focused brand

Following the footsteps of several leading actresses who have successfully turned entrepreneurs, Tamannaah Bhatia has now ventured into the fine jewellery segment with the launch of her own brand. In recent years, stars like Samantha Ruth Prabhu, who owns multiple ventures spanning fashion and education, and Kriti Sanon, who runs a popular clothing label, have expanded their presence beyond cinema. Tamannaah's latest move adds another glamorous name to the growing list of celebrity entrepreneurs.

The actress unveiled her jewellery brand through a series of stylish photographs that quickly caught attention online. Tamannaah was seen sporting a chic denim jumpsuit in one set of images, while close-up portraits in a black tank top highlighted the brand's Gen Z-inspired designs. The jewellery, featuring delicate chains



and statement earrings, reflects a modern aesthetic with a blend of gold and silver tones. The fine detailing and subtle shine of the pieces stood out, perfectly complementing Tamannaah's contemporary styling.

Clearly aimed at younger audiences, the brand embraces minimal yet fashionable designs that

align with current trends. The fresh approach positions Tamannaah's label as a stylish choice for those seeking everyday luxury with a youthful edge.

On the professional front, Tamannaah continues to stay busy with a strong lineup of films across industries. She will next be seen in the Tamil proj-

ect Purushan and the much-anticipated O'Romeo, where she shares screen space with Shahid Kapoor and Triptii Dimri. Balancing cinema and entrepreneurship, Tamannaah Bhatia is steadily building a multi-faceted brand identity beyond the silver screen.

Delhi HC grants protection to NTR's personality and publicity rights

In an age where social media and artificial intelligence have made celebrity identities increasingly vulnerable, Telugu superstar NTR has taken a firm legal stand to safeguard his personal and professional image. The Man of Masses recently approached the Delhi High Court, seeking protection against the rampant unauthorised use and commercial exploitation of his name, image, and persona across digital and commercial platforms.

Acting on the petition filed by the actor, the Hon'ble Delhi High Court extended legal protection to the personality and publicity rights of Nandamuri Taraka Rama



Rao Jr. The Court acknowledged the immense commercial and personal value attached to his identity and recognised the growing misuse of his likeness in today's digital ecosystem.

In its observations, the Court noted that identifiers such as "NTR,"

amounts to a violation of his rights and must be taken down in accordance with applicable laws.

Importantly, the Court also extended protection against unknown and anonymous entities, restraining them from misusing or misrepresenting Jr NTR's identity. It warned that any act causing reputational harm or financial exploitation would invite strict legal action.

This landmark order reinforces the growing importance of personality rights in the digital era and sets a strong precedent for celebrity protection in India.

Samantha gets emotional after attending President's Republic Day reception

Actress Samantha Ruth Prabhu expressed heartfelt gratitude after attending the prestigious 'At Home' reception hosted by President Droupadi Murmu on the occasion of the 77th Republic Day. Sharing her emotions on social media, the actress described the experience as a moment she once believed was far beyond her imagination.

In an emotional Instagram post, Samantha reflected on her journey, writing that while growing up, she never had cheerleaders, a clear roadmap, or even the confidence to dream of being part of such an elite gathering. She noted that she simply kept showing up and credited the

country for giving her the space to grow. Concluding her message with "Forever grateful," she accompanied the post with folded hands emojis, striking a chord with fans. For the occasion, the Yashoda actress made a graceful style statement in a stunning green saree adorned with golden embellishments. She completed the elegant look with a gold choker necklace, matching earrings, minimal makeup, and neatly parted hair. Samantha also shared multiple pictures from Rashtrapati Bhavan, including a photograph of the official invitation to the reception.

The high-profile event was attended by several distinguished dignitaries, including Prime Minister Narendra Modi,

Vice President C.P. Radhakrishnan, European Council President Antonio Costa, and European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen, among others. The 'At Home' reception is a long-standing Republic Day tradition that commemorates the adoption of the Indian Constitution. On the work front, Samantha will next be seen in the Telugu drama Maa Inti Bangaram, directed by B.V. Nandini Reddy. The film is produced under Samantha's banner Tralala Moving Pictures, in collaboration with Raj Nidimoru and Himank Duvvuru. The recently released trailer has already generated strong buzz among movie enthusiasts.



Cong stares at trouble in turncoat MLAs' segments



The Congress leadership has stepped in to manage escalating internal friction within constituencies held by turncoat MLAs, empowering parliamentary in-charge ministers to personally distribute B-forms for the upcoming municipal elections. This strategic move aims to bypass local deadlocks where original Congress loyalists are clashing with recently joined legislators from the BRS.

TPCC president Mahesh Kumar Goud confirmed on Thursday that in-charge ministers have been granted full autonomy to finalise candidates in any segment plagued by disputes. While several BRS MLAs from areas such as Jagtial, Gadwal, Chevella, Station Ghanpur, Bhadrachalam, Banswada, and Patancheru have switched loyalties to the ruling party, the transition has not been seamless. The rivalry is particularly acute in Jagtial, where veteran leader Jeevan Reddy remains at odds with sitting MLA Sanjay Kumar. To prevent a stalemate, minister Uttam Kumar Reddy has been tasked with making the final decision on candidate selection in the area. Under the current arrangement, the party has issued A-forms to DCC presidents, but the distribution of B-forms—the crucial document that validates a party's official nominee—is now at the discretion of the ministers. In peaceful segments, the forms will be handed over to local MLAs or DCC chiefs as usual. However, in "troubled" zones, the ministers will hand the forms directly to the chosen candidates to ensure there is no sabotage or confusion.

The urgency of the situation is heightened by the looming January 30 deadline for nominations. Due to the tight schedule, the party has allowed multiple aspirants to file their papers initially. However, a stern warning has been issued: any member who fails to withdraw their nomination after the official candidate is finalised will face immediate disciplinary action. The final window for withdrawals closes on February 3.

While Nalgonda has already seen minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy announce a first list of 45 ward candidates and a mayoral choice without incident, other regions remain volatile. To maintain order, the party established screening committees on Thursday night across 15 parliamentary constituencies to oversee the process and ensure party discipline is maintained throughout the election cycle.

Telangana assembly speaker conducts inquiry into Khairatabad MLA Danam Nagender's defection



The investigation into the defection case against Khairatabad MLA Danam Nagender has commenced. Telangana Speaker Gaddam Prasad Kumar is conducting the inquiry following petitions filed by BRS MLA Padi Kaushik Reddy and BJP legislative leader Maheshwar Reddy, both seeking Danam's disqualification. The process began with the petition from Padi Kaushik Reddy, whose lawyers cross-examined the MLA. During questioning, Reddy was asked about his reasons for filing the petition and the evidence supporting Danam's party switch. He presented proof including Danam's electoral history—contesting and winning as an MLA from Khairatabad on a BRS ticket, and later contesting as a Member of Parliament from Secunderabad on a Congress ticket. Evidence also included campaign photos, videos, and images of Danam wearing a Congress scarf. The examination concluded with Reddy's presentation of this evidence before the Speaker.

'I fear no one': Bihar Dy CM Sinha vows crackdown on land mafia

Patna: Bihar Deputy Chief Minister and Minister of Revenue and Land Reforms, Vijay Kumar Sinha, has intensified his campaign against the land mafia and corruption within the department, making it clear that he will not bow to pressure or threats. Speaking firmly on the issue, Sinha on Friday said he has begun this mission with complete resolve.

"I have set out with a shroud wrapped around my head. I fear no one," he said, underlining his determination to act decisively against corruption and illegal land practices.

Vijay Kumar Sinha stated that he had contested elections by standing up to criminals in his constituency and emerged victorious.

He said this experience has strengthened his resolve to now take on the land mafia, middlemen, and corrupt officials entrenched in the revenue system.



"Following the ideals of Atal Bihari Vajpayee, I have taken this tough step. I will not allow the land mafia or corrupt officials to carry out their nefarious activities," he said.

The Deputy Chief Minister made it clear that any departmental officer or employee who obstructs action against the land mafia is indirectly supporting them.

"Honest officers working

in public interest will not face any problem. But those siding with the mafia will face strict action," he warned.

Recently, during a Land Reform Public Dialogue Program, Sinha indicated that errant Circle Officers (COs) and other officials could face suspension if found guilty.

He clarified that action would be taken strictly on the basis of evidence and that no irregularities would be tolerated in the

land and revenue department.

The Deputy Chief Minister said the primary objective of his campaign was to ensure transparent, efficient, and people-friendly land reforms.

Through public dialogue programs, citizens will be directly connected with the department to address land-related grievances swiftly.

As part of this initiative, Vijay Kumar Sinha will hold a Land Reform Public Dialogue Program in Darbhanga in the Mithilanchal region on Friday.

The program aims to educate people about land rights, resolve pending land disputes, and provide on-the-spot solutions where possible.

Sinha's aggressive stance has generated significant enthusiasm among citizens and land stakeholders across Bihar.

US Consulate, WTC Shamshabad hold meet on US-India TRUST

The United States and India advanced the US-India TRUST (Transforming the Relationship Utilising Strategic Technology) initiative on Thursday as a landmark conference in Hyderabad brought together leading officials, academics, and industry leaders to strengthen cooperation in artificial intelligence and cybersecurity. The focus was clear: deliver outcomes that protect US national security through critical technologies and expand economic opportunity through trusted partnerships.

The conference on "Leveraging US-India TRUST: Industry Academia Partnerships in AI & Cybersecurity," organised by the US Consulate General, Hyderabad and World Trade Center, S h a m s h a b a d & Visakhapatnam at the World Trade Center here, marks a milestone in implementing the TRUST initiative launched by US President Donald Trump and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi in February 2025 to catalyse government, academic, and private sector partnerships across AI, semiconductors, quantum computing, biotechnology, energy, and space—areas central to US competitiveness and long-term security.

The conference translated high-level bilateral commitments into concrete partnerships. The initiative aims to build resilient supply chains, accelerate AI infrastruc-



ture development, and foster innovation ecosystems that strengthen both nations' technological capabilities and economic competitiveness.

The TRUST framework is designed to ensure strategic technology collaboration is secure, results-driven, and aligned with US interests, supporting both national security and American economic strength.

US Consul General Laura Williams said, "The TRUST initiative is a clear example of how the United States is advancing our national security and economic interests through strategic, results-driven partnerships. By working with India, we are building secure technology ecosystems that pro-

tect American innovation, strengthen our supply chains, and create new opportunities for US leadership in critical and emerging technologies. In September 2025, Secretary Rubio affirmed the strength of the US-India relationship, highlighting the implementation of the US-India COM-PACT, which will enhance our collaboration on trade, defense, energy, and more. Today's conference is a step forward in that direction."

Y Varaprasad Reddy, Chairman, World Trade Center, Shamshabad & Visakhapatnam, stated, "This collaborative initiative represents a defining moment for strengthening US-India academic and industry partnerships. The conference was designed

to foster innovation, build confidence, and enable knowledge exchange in the rapidly evolving domains of artificial intelligence and cybersecurity, areas where both our nations have complementary strengths and shared interests."

Dr James Lerums of Purdue University delivered the keynote address, highlighting universities' pivotal role in research, skills development, and technology partnerships - critical elements to build a pipeline of talent and innovation that supports AI and cybersecurity capabilities. The conference featured four strategic thematic sessions addressing key dimensions of US-India technology collaboration.

IIIT Hyderabad Builds A Platform With Spatial Mapping Of News, And Urban Livability

In the world of e-governance, pictures often speak louder than reports. Maps, charts and visual dashboards help administrators see patterns such as distribution of government initiatives, where crimes are rising, which districts face repeated civic issues, and how different regions compare in real time – all that would otherwise remain buried in spreadsheets. By turning complex data into intuitive visual form, pictorial and spatial representations have become a cornerstone of modern, data-driven governance.

It is this belief – good governance begins with good visualisation – that lies at the heart of a new research platform being developed at the International Institute of Information Technology, Hyderabad (IIIT-H). Born out of a request from the Telangana government, the project began as a spatial mapping of a news aggregation engine: a system designed to collect news from multiple newspapers, translate it across Indian languages, and plot every report on a map to show where issues were emerging across the state. A Multilingual Map of Civic Issues

"At the core, what we are building is a news app," explains Akhila Venigalla, lead developer, Product Labs, IIIT-H. "We collect articles from multiple newspapers – Eenadu, Mana



Telangana, The Times of India and Hans India – and currently focus on the districts of Telangana."

Most of these reports are originally in Telugu. "We translate the Telugu news into English, and if required, also into Hindi as of now," Akhila says, adding, "BHASHINI models, part of Government of India's national language AI initiative, allow us to support translatability across different Indian languages." Each translated report is then spatially plotted on a map based on where the incident occurred, transforming scattered headlines into a geographic picture of governance.

Turning Headlines into Signals Instead of treating news as mere

text, the system analyses its sentiment and administrative relevance. "If the news is positive, it shows up in green on the map. If it's negative, it's in red. If it's neutral, it's yellow," Akhila explains. Every report is also mapped to departments such as the Police, Revenue, Health, and Urban Development, helping officials and analysts see not just what is happening, but where and in which sector. There is also an option for officials to flag these reports and assign them to the concerned persons in the department(s) for appropriate inquiry or follow-up.

From News to Neighbourhoods As the platform matured, a new question arose: Can the same data help ordinary citizens

decide where to live? This has led to the development of a livability index layered on top of the news map. For any selected location, the system now pulls in indicators such as: Air Quality Index, water quality, nearby hospitals, schools and supermarkets and environmental and green-cover metrics. "We get the address, the air quality, the water quality," Akhila explains. "And we categorize how good it is to stay there – accessibility to green lung spaces, proximity to hospitals and so on."

Crucially, the team is designing the system to reflect individual priorities. For instance, a retiree's priorities might differ from a young working professional's. The former might value peace and quiet in lieu of the presence of schools and colleges. In such a case, the air quality index would get higher weightage for the retiree. The long-term goal is to allow users to customise these weights, creating a personalised livability score.

An Internship Project That Grew Bigger

While the news platform was built in response to a government request, the livability module had humbler beginnings. It began as a project by an intern, Vishal Joy in Product Labs. "Nobody specifically gave me this requirement. In India, we do

not have an objective metric to compare cities or areas within cities. This is a clear gap in our understanding which needs to be addressed. Finding livability information for any location in India was an enjoyable challenge due to the lack of high quality livability data available," he mentions, adding that the pursuit was driven by his love for his home town of Bangalore. "There's no doubt that Bangalore has issues and we tried to give direction to development by pinpointing which areas lacked what features. This felt like giving back to my home city in a small way!"

Why News and Housing Belong Together

The link, argues the team, is deeply practical. "If I see frequent news about protests in a particular area," explains Vishal, "or history shows too many such incidents, I might not want to stay there. I might prefer a calmer, more peaceful location." This is when news becomes not just information but an indicator about long-term quality of life.

What began as a government-requested, spatially mapped news aggregation engine is now evolving into a city-scale decision-support platform that brings together governance, and everyday urban life. All to answer a question with data rather than guesswork: Is this a good place to live in?

Probe Underway Into Baramati Plane Crash, Officials Focus on Sequence of Events



Addressing media persons on the sidelines of bodies India 2026, Naidu said the Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau(AAIB) and the Director General of Civil Aviation(DGCA) reached the spot, adding that the Black Box of the doomed aeroplane had been located.

Mr Pawar and four others onboard a chartered aeroplane failed after it crashed just about 200 metres from the tabletop runway at Baramati field in Pune quarter on Wednesday.

"The Black Box has been located, examinations are on. But this time we will follow a timeline system so that the report is ready briskly," Naidu told journalists.

Replying to a question regarding no firefighting labor force being available at the spot when the incident passed, the minister said the heliport caters substantially to flying training organisations.

"There are all installations available for Flying Training Organisation(FTO). This is an NSOP(Non-Scheduled Operator's Permit) heliport. It is n't for marketable aeronautics," he said.

still, they've to have certain conditions which we corroborate, "If we permit an NSOP strip to serve as a marketable field. But this installation is substantially used by NSOPs. Flying training organisations use it substantially," he added.

Noting that India is one of the safest countries when it comes to aeronautics safety morals, Naidu said Maharashtra's government had written to the Centre about the baramati crash probe.

"We replied saying examinations have been initiated," he added.

Staying Put In Congress: Shashi Tharoor Dismisses Exit Buzz, Backs Rahul Gandhi

Senior Congress leader and Thiruvananthapuram MP Shashi Tharoor has firmly denied rumours suggesting he may part ways with the Congress, reiterating his continued commitment to the party. His statement comes a day after he met Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge and Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi, at Parliament.

Addressing the media, Tharoor dismissed reports of a possible exit as baseless and repetitive, noting

that similar speculation has followed him for years. He said such narratives have surfaced repeatedly throughout his political career and have never altered his approach or affiliation.

Tharoor also spoke positively about Rahul Gandhi, describing him as a leader with a well-defined political position. He highlighted Gandhi's consistent opposition to communal politics and credited him for maintaining ideological clarity within the party.

Emphasising unity and



continuity, Tharoor said he continues to work within the Congress with respect and goodwill, making it

clear that there has been no change in his political alignment.

Rare surgical procedure performed at SIMS hosp

Anantapur: At the newly constructed SIMS (Sainath Institute of Medical Sciences) hospital on Ballari Road, Syndicate Nagar, Rachnapalli in Anantapur district center, surgical gastroenterologist Dr N Mohammed Shahid performed a rare and critical operation.

Rizwan, a tractor mechanic by profession from Guntakal town, had been addicted to alcohol for the past five years, resulting in severe damage to his pancreas.

Rizwan had previously undergone surgery in Kurnool for this condition. However, pus-filled fluid accumulated around his



pancreas, leading to an infection.

When Rizwan approached several hospitals in Anantapur for treatment, many doctors refused to perform the operation again, stating

that the treatment would be difficult.

When Rizwan, who was in a life-threatening condition, consulted the doctors at the newly constructed SIMS Hospital on Ballari Road in Anantapur—

specifically Surgical Gastroenterologist Dr N Mohammed Shahid, Dr Sanjana, Dr Vijay Kumar, and Arun—they informed him that a difficult operation was necessary.

However, when Rizwan's relatives requested that the operation be performed regardless, Dr Mohammed Shahid and his critical care team, including, agreed to undertake the challenging surgery.

The complex surgery was successfully performed on the January 14th. Rizwan recovered from his life-threatening condition and was discharged on the January 20th.

Devagudi: A rural drama that questions caste barriers



Produced under the Pushyami Film Makers banner, Devagudi is presented by Bellam Sudha Reddy, written and directed by Bellam Ramakrishna Reddy, who also serves as the film's producer. Starring Abhinav Shaurya, Narasimha, Anushree, and Raghu Kunche in key roles, the film hit theatres worldwide today. Set against a Rayalaseema backdrop, Devagudi attempts to blend a social message with a commercial narrative. Does it succeed in engaging the audience? Let's take a closer look.

Story

Veerareddy (Raghu Kunche), a powerful faction leader in the village of Devagudi, is known for protecting his people but remains deeply bound by rigid caste beliefs. Despite his authority, he cannot tolerate his follower's son Dharma (Abhinav Shaurya) sharing a close bond with his own son (Narasimha). Matters worsen when Veerareddy discovers that his daughter Shweta (Anushree) is in love with Dharma. Enraged, he banishes Dharma from the village. Soon after, violence erupts, Veerareddy falls ill, and Shweta mysteriously goes missing. What happened to Shweta? Did Dharma truly love her? Will love triumph over caste and power? The answers unfold on the big screen.

Performances

Abhinav Shaurya delivers a sincere and grounded performance, holding his own as the film's emotional core. Anushree impresses with her expressive portrayal, while Narasimha lends good support as the conflicted son. Raghu Kunche stands out as Veerareddy, bringing intensity and conviction to the role. Supporting actors like Raghu Babu, Rocket Raghava, and Meesala Lakshman add light moments where required.

*Technicalities

Director Ramakrishna Reddy deserves credit for narrating a predictable yet engaging story without letting it feel dull. The Rayalaseema flavour adds authenticity. Madin's music works well, with melodious songs and an effective background score. The film's runtime is crisp, and the production values are surprisingly rich for its scale.

Analysis

While the storyline feels familiar and easy to predict, Devagudi scores with its earnest attempt to question the caste system—still a harsh reality in society. The film balances emotion, drama, romance, and action, delivering a solid commercial experience with a social conscience.

On a whole, Devagudi is a watchable rural drama that boldly questions caste-based discrimination while keeping mainstream audiences engaged.

Mobile Internet suspended in parts of J&K's Kishtwar for security reasons

Jammu: As a security precaution, the authorities on Friday suspended mobile Internet services in parts of Jammu and Kashmir's Kishtwar district.

An official said that the union territory's Home Department has ordered the temporary suspension of mobile data services, including 2G, 3G, 4G and 5G, in select areas of the district as a precautionary security measure.

The suspension order said that mobile Internet services have been suspended in Singhpora, Chingam and Chatroo areas of Kishtwar from 12.01 a.m. to 11.59 p.m. on January 30 to prevent possible misuse by anti-national elements. The order was issued by Principal Secretary, Home Department, Chandraker Bharti, following inputs from the Inspector General of Police, Jammu Zone, who is the authorised officer under the Temporary Suspension of Telecommunication Services Rules, 2024.

As per the directive, the suspension covers a radius of six kilometres around each of the identified locations.

The authorities noted that high-speed mobile data services could potentially be exploited by miscre-



ants, leading to a deterioration of public order and posing a threat to the security of the union territory.

The UT Home Department stated that the decision was taken in the interest of sovereignty and integrity of India, security of the UT of Jammu and Kashmir, and maintenance of public order.

The suspension order has been formally confirmed under the relevant provisions of the Telecommunication Act, 2023 and the Temporary Suspension of Telecommunication Service Rules, 2024.

Mobile Internet suspension has been ordered in the past as well in Jammu and Kashmir to prevent ter-

rorists and anti-social elements from misusing the facility.

Authorities in most districts of the UT have already banned the use of a virtual private network (VPN) after it was reported that anti-national elements hide their identities by using the virtual network.

Recently, joint security forces acting on specific input surrounded the Singhpora village in Kishtwar, and during the ensuing cordon and search operation, hiding terrorists fired at a small party of the forces, killing one paratrooper and injuring seven other soldiers.

Vishal Mishra says his new track 'Kya Bataun Tujhe' comes from a very restless place

Mumbai: Music composer and singer Vishal Mishra has released the first song 'Kya Bataun Tujhe' from his debut album 'Pagalpan'. The album is expansive in sound, and rooted in raw human feeling. The composer said that the song finds its roots in a "restless place". The song that captures restlessness, vulnerability, and the quiet ache of emotions left unsaid. It acts as an emotional entry point into the album, offering listeners a glimpse into the inner landscape that shaped the project.



Talking about the song, Vishal Mishra said, "'Kya Bataun Tujhe' comes from a very restless place. The last two years of my life were filled with unease, loneliness, and a quiet kind of pain, and this song was the first emotion that needed to

come out. It felt right for it to lead the way into Pagalpan, because it sets the emotional truth of everything that follows". He further mentioned, "This album exists because of the blessings of God & my fans. Pagalpan is deeply personal, but it also belongs

to people like me, people who feel deeply, who struggle silently, who often don't find the right words at the right time. This first song is my dedication to everyone who couldn't express their love or their pain when they needed to. Bhushan ji and I had envisioned

Pagalpan a couple of years ago as something truly special, an international album coming from India, bringing together artists, sounds, cultures, and emotions from across the world to create something that belongs to everyone. We are all lonely in our own ways, we are all healing, and I hope this album becomes a companion for those moments".

Pagalpan is positioned as an international album rooted in Indian emotion, bringing together diverse artists, sounds, and cultures. The project reflects Vishal Mishra's evolution as an artist willing to step beyond familiar territory to tell a more honest, global, and emotionally resonant story.

'Kya Bataun Tujhe' is now available to stream on all platforms.

Erigaisi suffers another loss, Gukesh beats Erdogmus

India's top-rated chess player Arjun Erigaisi could not match the skills of Vincent Keymer of Germany in key moments and crashed to another defeat in the 10th round of Tata Steel Masters here. World champion D. Gukesh fought his way back into contention, delivering an endgame masterclass against young prodigy Yagiz Kaan Erdogmus.

Playing with the black pieces, Gukesh secured another clinical victory to take his tally to a respectable five points out of a possible 10. However, the Indian ace will need an exceptional performance in the final three rounds if he is to truly stamp his authority as world champion. Erigaisi had been on the cusp



just a few days ago but seemed to lose the thread midway, and now finds himself firmly in the lower half of the points table.

With just four points from 10 games, the highest-ranked Indian has plenty of ground to make up merely to stay afloat.

A positional blunder in the closed Ruy Lopez is often unforgivable, and that was precisely Erigaisi's undoing. Vincent Keymer was quick to pounce, and from that point on there was no looking back for the German, who himself has endured a mixed tournament so far.

Meanwhile, R. Praggnanandhaa settled for a draw with Hans Moke Niemann in a French Defence encounter, a game in which neither player found much scope for complications.

Matthias Bluebaum of Germany continued with his great form to beat Anish Giri after defeating

Gukesh in the previous round, while Jorden van Foreest of Holland played out a draw with Javokhir Sindarov as both added to their overnight tally to reach six points.

Results - Round 10: Matthias Bluebaum (Ger, 6) beat Anish Giri (Ned, 4.5); Hans Moke Niemann (Uzb, 5.5) drew with R Praggnanandhaa (Ind, 4.5); Vincent Keymer (Ger, 5) beat Arjun Erigaisi (Ind, 4); Jordan van Foreest (Ned, 6) drew with Javokhir Sindarov (Uzb, 6); Aravindh Chithambaram (Ind, 2.5) playing Thai Dai Van Nguyen (Cze, 3); Nodirbek Abdusattorov (Uzb, 6) playing Vladimir Fedoseev (Slo, 4.5); Yagiz Kaan Erdogmus (Tur, 5.5) lost to D Gulesh (Ind, 5).