



PM Modi pays tributes to Sardar Patel, reaffirms commitment to fulfil his vision for India

Gir Somnath: During the Somnath Amrut Mahotsav on Monday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi paid homage to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, who, he said, made significant efforts for the restoration of the Somnath Temple following Independence.

He reaffirmed the commitment to fulfil Sardar Patel's vision for India.

In a post on X, PM Modi said, "At Somnath, paid heartfelt tributes to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, whose vision and resolve played a defining role in the temple's reconstruction. He dreamt of seeing Somnath rise again in all its glory, as a symbol of India's civilisational pride and spiritual continuity."

"We will always remain committed to fulfilling his vision for our nation," he added. Earlier in the day, PM Modi participated in Vishesh Maha Puja, the historic Kumbhabhishek and Dhawajrohan ceremonies at the temple.

The 'Somnath Amrut Mahotsav' commemorated 75 years since the restored Somnath Temple was inaugurated by India's first President, Dr Rajendra Prasad, in 1951, following reconstruction efforts led by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. During this, he also released a commemorative stamp and coin, commemorating the legacy of the sacred shrine.



Later, addressing a large public gathering after participating in the religious ceremonies, the Prime Minister criticised the "appeasement politics" during his address at the 'Somnath Amrut Mahotsav'

in Gujarat, saying that India's first Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, had opposed the reconstruction of the Somnath Temple after Independence. Politics Addressing a large public gathering after participating in religious ceremonies at the Somnath Temple, PM Modi said the reconstruction of the temple symbolised India's "independent civilisational consciousness" following Independence.

"The re-establishment of the Somnath Temple 75 years ago on this very day was no ordinary occasion. If India became independent in 1947, then the consecration of Somnath in 1951 proclaimed India's independent civilisational consciousness," he said.

The Prime Minister praised Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and India's first President, Dr Rajendra Prasad, for supporting the reconstruction of the temple after Independence.

"At the time of Independence, Sardar Patel united more than 500 princely states to shape a modern India, and through the reconstruction of Somnath, he told the world that India had not merely become free.. India had also begun its journey to reclaim its ancient glory," he said.

PM Modi said that Sardar Patel and Rajendra Prasad had faced opposition

during the reconstruction effort.

After Independence, one of the first responsibilities was to restore the Somnath temple, and therefore Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Dr Rajendra Prasad made immense efforts for it. But we all know how much opposition they faced from Nehru Ji," he said.

He further added, "I will not go into detail today, but it was Sardar Patel's determination that, despite all opposition, he did not waver. The Somnath temple was rebuilt, and the country washed away centuries of humiliation."

The Prime Minister also linked the issue to contemporary politics, saying "such forces still exist in the country today for whom appeasement matters more than national self-respect".

"We saw this during the construction of the Ram Temple as well, when opposition was raised even against it. We must remain cautious of such thinking. We must move beyond such narrow politics. We have to move forward with both development and heritage together," he said.

During his speech, PM Modi described the Somnath Amrut Mahotsav as "not merely a celebration of the past" but "a festival of inspiration for India for the next thousand years".

Telangana CM orders investigation into POCSO case against MoS Bandi Sanjay's son

Hyderabad: Telangana Chief Minister, A. Revanth Reddy, on Monday directed Director General of Police C.V. Anand to immediately initiate an investigation into the Protection Of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act case registered against Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay's son, Bandi Bhagirath. Hyderabad city guide The Chief Minister instructed the DGP to constitute special teams for a comprehensive investigation into the case of the alleged sexual assault on a minor girl by Bandi Bhagirath. The Chief Minister questioned the DGP over the delay in taking action despite the complaint having been lodged on May 8 at Pet Basheerabad Police Station.

Following the Chief Minister's direction, the police chief reportedly constituted a Special Investigation Team (SIT) to probe the case. According to the Chief Minister's Office, DGP Anand briefed the Chief Minister on the details of the case. The DGP informed the Chief Minister



that the entire police force had been engaged in security arrangements in view of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Hyderabad. Meanwhile, the Telangana State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (TSCPCR) has formed a special Bench to hear the case. TGSCPCR Chairperson, Kothakota Seetha Dayakar Reddy, obtained details from the City Police Commissioner and constituted a special Bench to conduct an enquiry into the matter. The action by TSCPCR and the Chief Minister's direction to the DGP came amid the continuing protest by the Opposition Bharath Rashtra Samithi (BRS) demanding action against Bandi Sanjay's son. A case was regis-

tered against Bandi Bhagirath under POCSO Act for alleged sexual assault on a 17-year-old girl. The girl's mother alleged that Bhagirath had been harassing their daughter for over six months. He also allegedly misbehaved with her at a farmhouse in Moinabad.

On her complaint, the police registered a case under Section 11 of the POCSO Act and relevant sections of BNS.

Bhagirath, 25, had earlier lodged a complaint in Karimnagar II Town Police Station against the girl and her parents. He alleged that they attempted to honey trap him and demanded Rs. 5 crore to not file a police complaint against him. On his complaint, a case was booked against the girl and her parents under various Sections of the BNS for extortion, criminal intimidation, criminal conspiracy and common intention. Bandi Sanjay has denied the allegation against his son. He claimed that political rivals were trying to tarnish his image by making false allegations.

Holiday rush at Durga temple

Vijayawada: A heavy influx of devotees was witnessed at the famous Sri Durga Malleswara Swamy Varla Devasthanam atop Indrakeeladri here on Sunday owing to the ongoing summer holidays and weekend rush. In view of the large turnout, Executive Officer and Special



Grade Deputy Collector VK Seena Naik personally inspected the arrangements at the temple to ensure that devotees faced no inconvenience during darshan. The EO visited the ghat road, queue lines and inner temple premises. Despite the heavy rush, devotees reportedly expressed satisfaction over the smooth conduct of darshan. He instructed the staff to ensure continuous supply of drinking water and buttermilk at the Chalivendrams set up across the temple premises. In view of the summer crowd, Antaralaya Darshan was temporarily suspended from 10 am to 2 pm on Sunday to facilitate quicker darshan for general devotees. The Antaralaya Darshan resumed after 2 pm. Meanwhile, the EO informed that the next hundi counting programme of the temple would be conducted on May 18, at the sixth floor of the Mallikharjuna Maha Mandapam atop Indrakeeladri.

NaMo meets AP CM, Deputy CM in city, discuss strategic NDA alliance

Hyderabad: Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited the residences of Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu and Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan in Hyderabad's Jubilee Hills on Sunday, triggering widespread political discussion across both Telugu states. The Prime Minister first visited Pawan Kalyan's residence, where he enquired about his health condition as the leader is reportedly recovering after a recent sinus-related surgery. Modi extended heartfelt wishes for a speedy recovery during the brief interaction. Later, the Prime Minister proceeded to the residence of Chandrababu Naidu,

where he was welcomed by the Chief Minister and his son, Andhra Pradesh Minister Nara Lokesh. The meeting between Modi and Chandrababu Naidu reportedly lasted for over an hour. Sources indicated that the discussions touched upon the current political situation in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, the functioning of the alliance government, and broader strategies of the National Democratic Alliance. These high-level interactions have drawn significant attention amid increasing activity in the region ahead of key electoral battles. The visit has generated interest in political circles, particularly as it comes before

important developments in Telangana, including the GHMC elections. Analysts suggest the timing has fuelled speculation about possible alliance strategies and the future approach of the BJP in local politics.

Observers are debating whether the interactions indicate efforts to further strengthen the NDA alliance in South India, where the Telugu Desam Party, Bharatiya Janata Party, and Jana Sena Party share strong ties. Meanwhile, Telangana BJP leaders have been asserting that the party will focus intensely on the state's political landscape. Reacting to the visit, Chandrababu Naidu posted on



X, describing the meeting as a truly special occasion and an evening his family would never forget. He expressed gratitude

for the continued encouragement and support being extended towards the development journey of Andhra Pradesh.

Women's Political Participation Must Be Strengthened Further

Mahila Congress State President Errabelli Swarna

Hyderabad (Kukatpally) Metro Udayam , 11 May 2026 :

Mahila Congress State President Errabelli Swarna stated that there is a need to further strengthen women's participation in politics. A district-level review meeting of the Medchal-Malkajgiri Mahila Congress was held on Monday at NKR Gardens in Kukatpally under the ship of District Mahila Congress President Rajanolla Lakshmi.

Errabelli Swarna attended the programme as the chief guest. Mahila Congress National General Secretary Kamalakshi Rajanna, Congress Party District President Thotakura Vajresh Yadav, Congress Party Parliament In-charge Patnam Sunitha Mahender Reddy, TPC Vice President and



Kukatpally Constituency In-charge, Telangana Kamma Corporation Chairman Bandi Ramesh, Qutbullapur Constituency In-charge Kolan Hanmanth Reddy, Market Committee Chairman Pushpa, Aliabad Municipal Chairman Sirisha Krishna Reddy, state executive members, district presidents, Mahila Congress leaders, and public representatives also participated in the meeting. During the meeting, a comprehensive review was conducted on strengthening the Mahila Congress organisational structure, expanding the party from the village level, and implementing upcoming programmes. Speaking on the occasion, Errabelli Swarna said that



women's political participation must be strengthened further. She called upon every Mahila Congress worker to play a key role in taking the ideology of the Congress Party to the people. She also urged everyone to work collectively to make Mahila Congress stronger from the grassroots level.

Later, demanding the immediate implementation of the Women's Reservation Bill, leaders and activists conducted a postcard signature campaign with the slogan "Mahila Aarakshan Bill Aaj Karo Abhi Karo" and sent the signed postcards to the Prime Minister's Office.

Bandi Sanjay should Resign his post immediately

BRS Leader Nagesh Mudiraj

Hyderabad, May:11, MetroUdayam

A case under the POCSO Act has been registered against Union Minister Bandi Sanjay's son Bandi Sai Bhagiratha, but the police are still negligent in arresting him... BRS leader Nagesh Mudiraj said that despite a POCSO case being registered in the incident of rape and indecent assault on a minor girl, no action has been taken against him so far, and the police are acting to provide justice to the common people and justice to the minister's son. The police are trying to



divert the case by registering a honey trap case and wringing their hands. They demanded that the Pet Basheerabad police arrest Bandi Sai Bhagiratha, who had behaved indecently towards a minor girl. They demanded that Union Minister Bandi

Sanjay unconditionally resign from his post, taking responsibility for the mistake done by his son. Otherwise, the central government should remove Bandi Sanjay from his post, he demanded. He said that it is outrageous that CM Revanth

Reddy and Union Minister Bandi Sanjay are acting like brothers to win an Oscar in the name of development programs in Telangana.

Bandi has weakened the Sai Bhagiratha case and made the slogan that BJP and Congress are one true. He said that it is outrageous that women ministers in the state government, Seethakka and Konda Surekha, did not speak a single word in support of the incident against the minor girl. Nagesh Mudiraj alleged that Bandi Sanjay's conspiracies to protect his son by showing a case registered under the POCSO Act as a honey trap to mislead the case are shameful.

Congress opposes women's bill

Hyderabad, May:11, MetroUdayam

It is shameful that the Congress party is opposing the bill if Prime Minister Narendra Modi introduces a bill to increase the number of women in Parliament to 33 percent, said Republican Party of India Athawale National Secretary Shiva Nageswara Rao Goud. They spoke at a dharna organized at Indira Park in Hyderabad. Women were very happy when the central government introduced the Nari Shakti Vandan Act. But party leaders of all parties, Rahul Gandhi, Mallikarjun Kharge and CM Revanth



Reddy were angry when they opposed it. They expressed their concern that some states are not able to tolerate the development of women. They recalled Ambedkar's

words that women are very crucial for the development of the country. They questioned whether Indira Gandhi had ruled for 18 years while being in the Congress party. He

warned that if the women's bill is not tabled and supported in the upcoming assembly and parliament sessions, the Congress party will not survive in the coming days. Republic and Party of India leaders Dr. Sangam Sridhar, state leaders Dacharapu Srinivas, state vice-presidents Gaddi Ravikumar, state women's president RP Neela, political women's presidents Gangapuram Padma, Jagannatham Rajireddy, Assistant Secretary NRC Raju, AIRRT Secretary Narsing Rao, Medchal district presidents Samba, Pushpalatha, Anuradha and others participated in this dharna.

Bandi Sanjay should be suspended



Hyderabad, May:11, MetroUdayam

MLA Muta Gopal has demanded that Union Minister of State Bandi Sanjay be suspended from MP 10th for his excessive atrocities against BRS leaders. To this end, an effigy of Bandi Sanjay was burnt at Ramnagar intersection in Musheerabad. Speaking on the occasion, they questioned why the state government has been neglecting Bandi Sanjay's son Sai Bhagirath within 24 hours of registering a case under the POCSO Act. He said that the power of BJP leaders is increasing day by day. He reminded that there were many cases against Sai Bhagirath in the past as well. He also accused the CM of patronizing BJP leaders. They demanded the immediate arrest of Bandi Bhagirath, who sexually assaulted a minor girl, and justice for the girl's family. They alleged that Bandi Sanjay was trying to protect his son who had committed the crime and was trying to water down the case by colluding with Chief Minister Revanth Reddy. They demanded that Bandi Sanjay resign from the post of minister immediately, taking moral responsibility. They said that BRSV will fight until justice is served to the victim. They demanded that CM Revanth Reddy take immediate action and arrest Sai Bhagirath. Otherwise, BRS leaders warned that they would launch agitations across the state.

Let's strengthen government colleges....



Kodad May 11 Metro Morning.....

Kodad Municipal Chairperson Erneni Kusuma Venkataratnam Babu called on students to take advantage of government education schemes and scale higher heights. As part of 'Public Governance - Progress Plan', the Education Week celebrations began on Monday at K.R.R. Government Junior College in Kodad town. She was the chief guest and lit the lamp and inaugurated the newly installed digital TV panels. Later, she unveiled the college's promotional pamphlets and wall posters.

Speaking on the occasion, she said that the government has provided basic facilities in all colleges and is providing quality free education as well as training in cultural and social fields. The program was presided over by the college principal Naru Ramana Reddy. Municipal councilors Malothu Chaitanya Nayak, Ramisetty Udayasri Hariprasad, college Amma Adarsh School Chairman Srilakshmi, teachers Vemula Venkateswarlu, Ranabothu Pichireddy, Ramesh Sharma, P. Rajesh, G. Venkanna, Ramaraju, Ravi Kiran, Satish, G. Nagaraju, P. Tirumala students participated in the program.....



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ऐ मेरे माबूद (मेरे पूजनीय परमात्मा)! जिसने तुझे खो दिया, उसने क्या पाया? और जिसने तुझे पा लिया, उसने क्या खोया?
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हमारा कितना विकास हुआ है? हम हिमालय के शिखरों को छू लिए हैं। हम समंदर के तह तक पहुंच गए हैं। हम चंद्र ग्रह पर अपने झंडे गाड़कर आए हैं। और मंगल ग्रह पर घर बनाने और बस्तियां बसाने की योजनाएं बना रहे हैं। यह विकास सचमुच में प्रशंसनीय है। लेकिन भौतिक विज्ञान की ऊँचाइयों पर अधिष्ठित हम, अंतरिक्ष के द्वार खोलने वाले हम, क्या कभी अपने आत्मा के द्वार भी खोल पाए हैं? पूरे संसार को देखने वाले हम क्या कभी स्वयं में भी झाँककर देखे हैं? हिमालय के शिखरों को छूने वाले हम क्या मानवता की ऊँचाइयों को भी छू पाए हैं?



क्या मानवता के मूल्यों पर हम जी पा रहे हैं? वास्तव में देखा जाए तो हमारा विकास अंतरिक्ष को पादाक्रांत करने में नहीं है। हमारा विकास मानवीय मूल्यों के संरक्षण पर निर्भर है। अपने खुद के आत्म शोध पर निर्भर है। ग्रहों पर कब्जा करना सच्चा विकास नहीं है विकास मानवीय मूल्यों के आचरण से प्रारंभ होकर आत्मा और परमात्मा को जान लेना है। सब कुछ पाकर भी अगर हम आत्मा और परमात्मा को खो देते हैं तो फिर पाया ही क्या? हमारे जीवन का परम लक्ष्य ईश्वर प्राप्ति ही है। ईश्वर को पाने वाला ही सबसे बड़ा अमीर, भाग्यवान और संतुष्ट व्यक्ति होगा।

भौतिक विज्ञान की ऊँचाइयों पर पहुँचने वाले हम आध्यात्मिक गहराइयों से अभी भी कोसों दूर हैं। हम अगर दुनिया की सारी दौलत, ताकत और दुनिया भर के भौतिक सुख-सुविधाएं प्राप्त कर लेते हैं, लेकिन हमारे दिल में अल्लाह (ईश्वर) का प्यार और उसकी मारिफत (पहचान) नहीं है, तो वास्तव में कुछ पाया ही नहीं है। क्योंकि असली सुकून, शांति और कामयाबी अल्लाह की रजा (परमात्मा के संतुष्टी) में है। नश्वर दुनिया के पाने से हम कभी रूहानी (आध्यात्मिक) सुकून के सर्वोच्च शिखर तक नहीं पहुँच सकते।

इस वास्तविकता को पैगंबर साहब मोहम्मद (स्व.) के तीसरे उत्तराधिकारी इमाम हुसैन इब्न अली इब्न अबू तालिब अलैहिस्सलाम ने क्या खूब फरमाये हैं। इमाम हुसैन अलैहिस्सलाम ने हज के दौरान शराफात के मैदान में एक दुआ मांगी थी। यह दुआ अल्लाह (स्व.) की मारिफत (ईश्वर की पहचान) की अहमियत और उसके प्रति पूर्ण समर्पण का एक उत्कृष्ट उदाहरण है। यह दुआ भौतिक दुनिया और अमौलिक दुनिया के फर्क को बेहतरीन तरीके से विश्लेषण करती है।

आप अलैहिस्सलाम ने अपनी इस दुआ में अपने रब (पालनहार) से कहते हैं के, भ्राजा वजदा मन फकदका व मल लजी फकदा मन वजदका। याने मेरे माबूद (मेरे पूजनीय परमात्मा)! जिसने तुझे खो दिया, उसने क्या पाया? और जिसने तुझे पा लिया, उसने क्या खोया? (इमाम हुसैन अलैहिस्सलाम, श्रुआ-ए-अराफाश) ऐ रब! (ऐ सृष्टिकर्ता पालनहार परमात्मा!) सब कुछ पाकर तुझे खोया तो पाया ही क्या? और सब कुछ खोकर तुझे पाया तो खोया ही क्या?

और जिसने सच्ची इबादत (भक्ति), प्रेम और समर्पण के माध्यम से अल्लाह (ईश्वर) को पा लिया और उस सृष्टिकर्ता पालनहार परमात्मा के निकट हो गया तो उसने दुनिया की सब चीजें खोकर भी कुछ नहीं खोया। हमारा परम लक्ष्य ईश्वर प्राप्ति ही है। उसे पाने के लिए हमें श्रीमद्भगवद्गीता में बताए गए निष्काम कर्म को अपनाना होगा। हम सब कुछ पाकर भी अपनी आत्मा और परमात्मा खो दिए तो सब कुछ व्यर्थ है। सांसारिक कार्यों में की गई गलती हमें हानी पहुंचा सकती है, लेकिन निष्काम भाव से किए गए कर्म में कोई हानी नहीं होती।

श्रीमद्भगवद्गीता के अध्याय क्रमांक 02, श्लोक क्रमांक 40 में कहा गया है के, आध्यात्मिक मार्ग पर किया गया कोई भी प्रयास कभी भी व्यर्थ नहीं जाता है। लेकिन यह कर्म तजकिया ए नपस (आत्मा के शुद्धि) के साथ किया जाना चाहिए। क्योंकि पवित्र कछुरआन, अध्याय क्रमांक 91, सुराह अल शम्स, आयत क्रमांक 09 और 10 का कहना है के, धन:संदेह वही सफल हुआ जिसने अपने नपस को पाक (आत्मा को शुद्ध) किया। और वह घाटे में रहा जिसने उसे (गुनाहों में) दबा दिया।

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

Modi Suggests Work From Home to Save Fuel Amid Middle East Crisis

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has asked people to save fuel and spend carefully because of the ongoing Middle East crisis. The conflict in the region and the Iran war impact India by increasing oil prices and affecting the country's economy. To help reduce fuel use, Narendra Modi suggested an India work from home advisory for offices where possible. He said working from home can lower the use of petrol and diesel because fewer people would need to travel daily. He also encouraged people to use public transport, share vehicles, and avoid unnecessary fuel use. Modi also advised citizens to reduce foreign trips unless necessary. These foreign travel restrictions in daily life can help India save foreign currency during difficult economic conditions. He further requested people to buy local products and avoid unnecessary spending on imported goods and gold. The government is worried because India buys a large amount of oil from countries in the Middle East. Due to the Middle East crisis, global oil prices are rising, which may increase expenses in India. Experts say this situation could also affect India forex reserves and lead to higher prices for goods and transport.

BLACK BEAUTY!

Rarely we hear white beauty!
Often come across black beauty!
Seems somewhat surprising!
But it's a prevailing wide spread fact!

Beautiful sky is black one!
Abundant sea colour black in colour!
The melodious singing bird Cuckoo(Koyila) also black!
One and all favourable God Lord Krishna too black!



Sri Rama apperes to be black!
No exception to any statue in temple!
Can't we see in cloth shop modern dressed toy models in sarees too in black colour only?
There is some hidden beauty in black colour!

First and foremost reason little possible to fade out!
Take on viewers to a different imagination world!
Comparision to other colors black high light!
As far as humans concerned colour is of heridatory of jeans!

In precise colour is not creteria!
Better not the mind is not black!
Thoughts,deeds,heart should be pure and white!
Care not about colour prefer the character always to be white!

Forget not in mind "Black Beauty" is an universal truth!

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

Judgement Reflects the Judge

"Every time we judge something, we give others a clue to judge us." In workplaces, people are constantly observed not only for their skills, but also for their attitude, behavior, and the way they respond to others. The way we judge colleagues, situations, or mistakes often reveals more about our own mindset than the person being judged.



Professionals with maturity understand that criticism without understanding creates distance, while constructive feedback builds trust. A leader who humiliates others publicly may be seen as arrogant, whereas someone who guides calmly earns respect naturally. In corporate environments, emotional intelligence matters as much as technical expertise.

Judging too quickly can damage teamwork, communication, and workplace culture. Every employee carries unseen pressures, deadlines, and personal battles. A true professional chooses empathy over assumptions and solutions over blame.

The most respected individuals are not those who point out every flaw, but those who create confidence in others. Professionalism is reflected in patience, balanced communication, and the ability to respond wisely even under pressure.

In the end, people may forget our position or achievements, but they will always remember how we made them feel. The way we judge others quietly becomes our own professional identity.

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With women swimmers.. Victoria has another adventure...

- Swimming with mothers from North Goa to Maharashtra's Kokan Strait in the first week of June

- Donors should support

Chikkadapally, 11 May Metro Udayam: International swimmer Queen Victoria said that she will swim a distance of 40 km from North Goa to Maharashtra's Kokan Strait in the first week of June with six mothers, urging young students to stay away from drugs and not ruin their lives by getting addicted to them. Speaking to reporters in



Barkatpur on Monday... she appealed to donors to fully support. She said that she has decided to do this swimming together with Aarti Bharadwaj from

Delhi, Mounika Kiran from Vijayawada, Smitaraj Kativ from Maharashtra, Radhika Mandava from AP, and Seema Masukla from Delhi. She has

already set the Ram Sethu Edhi record recently, and so far no women have swum from North Goa to the Kokan Strait, and she will achieve that record as well. She has already set the English Channel, Catalonia Channel, and Cook's Sweet Edhi records. She said that this swimming will be organized under the supervision of Satish Kumar Marmat, President of Swim Life and Open Water Swimmer Federation. She said that donors should provide full support for this swimming and can help by calling Cell: 8919327375.

Minister celebrates Mother's Day with elderly women

Vijayawada: Minister for Home and Disaster Management Vangalapudi Anitha visited Krishna district on Sunday and participated in Mother's Day celebrations organised at Bandham Old Age Home for elderly women in Gosala village of Penamaluru mandal.

The celebrations were conducted in a warm and unique manner under the leadership of the minister, who attended the programme along with her family members. Anitha spent time interacting affectionately with the elderly women at the ashram and enquired about their health and wellbeing. Her visit created a festive atmosphere at the old age



home. As part of the celebrations, she personally greeted each inmate and shared cheerful moments with them. Along with Penamaluru MLA Bode Prasad and Vasavya Mahila

Mandali president Dr B Keerthi, Anitha cut a cake and conveyed Mother's Day greetings to the women residing at the shelter home.

Later, she personally visited each inmate and distributed fruits and sarees to the elderly women, bringing joy to the residents, who expressed happiness over her visit and appreciated her affectionate interaction. Addressing the gathering, Anitha described mothers as symbols of selfless love and sacrifice. She extended Mother's Day greetings to all mothers who dedicate their lives to the upbringing and wellbeing of their children.

A Tribute in Words to Abhaya — An Elegy for a Fallen Healer, a Clarion Call for Justice

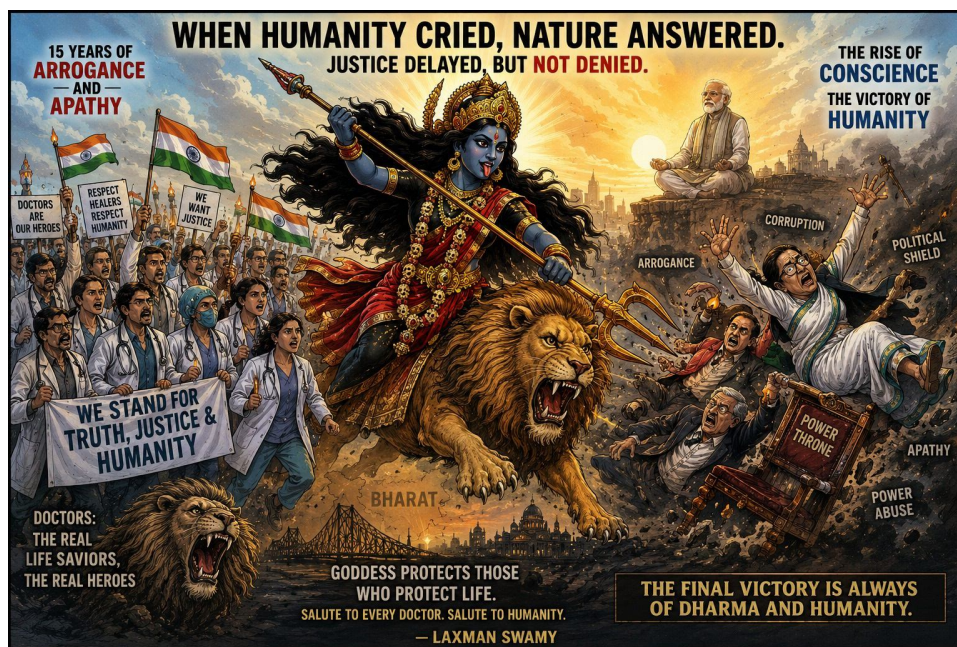
"Darkness claimed only her body. It could not claim her anguish, her cry for justice, or the millions of hearts she awakened."

She had stepped into the most sacred of callings — the vocation of healing. She had dreamed of illuminating lives, of mending broken bodies, of standing between suffering and despair. Yet before she could fulfil even a fraction of that dream, the brutality of this society extinguished her flame. Her name was Abhaya. That was not the name given to her at birth; it was the name conferred upon her by a grieving, raging nation. Abhaya means "one who is fearless." And in her short, consecrated life, she was precisely that — fearless in service, fearless in dedication, fearless in the face of impossible hours and impossible odds. That the world was not fearless enough to protect her is the tragedy we must carry, and the wound we must not allow to heal until justice is done.

I. A Life Lived in the Service of Dreams

Medicine is not merely a profession; it is a covenant. Every young doctor who enters a government medical college carries with them years of sacrifice — sleepless nights over textbooks, festivals missed, youth surrendered at the altar of knowledge. They are trained to save lives at the cost of their own comfort, their own safety, their own rest. Abhaya was one such consecrated soul. Her ambitions were not grand in the worldly sense — she wished to wipe a mother's tears, to restore a child's smile, to stand vigil at the bedside of the forgotten and the frail. That she was denied even the chance to fulfil these quietly heroic ambitions is an indictment not of her fate alone, but of the system that failed to shelter her.

Yet darkness claimed only her body. It could not claim her anguish. It could not silence her



plea for justice. It could not extinguish the millions of minds she awakened from complacency. The candlelight vigils that erupted across the country at midnight, the placards raised by exhausted doctors at the break of dawn, the streets filled with voices demanding accountability — these were not mere protests. They were testament to one immovable truth: Abhaya did not die. She transformed into a movement.

II. The Unsecured Precincts of Healing

In the imagination of this nation, the doctor is revered as a near-divine figure. In the reality of public hospitals, however, that same doctor labours in conditions that no other professional would accept. Solitary night duties without escort. Rest rooms that are neither safe nor private. Security infrastructure that exists on paper but not in practice. CCTV cameras installed yet non-functional; guards present yet inattentive; administration visible yet unaccountable. When Abhaya walked through those corridors alone in the dead of night, where was her protection? Where was the institutional duty of care that should have surrounded her as it surrounds the patients she tirelessly

served?

This is not the failure of one hospital or one city. It is the systemic failure of a nation that demands extraordinary service from its healers while offering them ordinary, often sub-ordinary, protection. The institutions that produce the finest medical minds in the world have not yet resolved the elementary question of whether a woman doctor is safe within their walls after sunset. That question, deferred for too long, was answered on the night of August 9, 2024 — answered in the worst possible way.

III. The Unfulfilled Promise of Women's Safety

A society that worships the goddess and yet cannot guarantee the safety of a woman at her workplace has not resolved its most fundamental contradiction. Abhaya was not a marginalised woman in a precarious situation. She was an educated, accomplished medical professional, fulfilling her duty inside a state-run institution. If she could not be safe there, then the question of women's safety in this country is not a matter of circumstance or location — it is a matter of structural, systemic failure that reaches into the very heart of our most

trusted institutions.

Across this country, every young woman pauses before stepping out alone at night, weighing an invisible calculation of risk. That calculation has not changed since Abhaya's death. It will not change through grief alone. It will change only when accountability is not an afterthought but the first thought. The name Abhaya means fearlessness. And yet in her final moments, not a single hand was raised to give her the fearlessness she deserved. That absence must haunt us into action.

IV. Justice Delayed, But Not Denied

The aftermath of Abhaya's murder was unlike any in recent memory. For the first time, doctors across India collectively and visibly walked off their wards and into the streets. High courts intervened. Federal investigative agencies assumed charge. Political establishments were forced to answer for their governance. The victim's mother — in an act of extraordinary courage and grief — contested an election and won, carrying into the legislature the unfinished business of her daughter's justice. In death, Abhaya accomplished what she could not in life: she compelled a nation to look at itself without flinching.

History is unambiguous on this point: no injustice sustains itself indefinitely. Every epoch of impunity eventually yields to a reckoning. The faith that justice, however delayed, remains inevitable — this is the faith that holds societies together. It is the faith that Abhaya has bequeathed to us as her final, enduring gift.

V. A Tribute That Must Be More Than Words

To truly honour Abhaya is not to light a candle and move on. It is

not to share a post and fall silent. A genuine tribute demands structural transformation. It demands enacted and rigorously enforced legislation protecting healthcare professionals from violence, with zero-tolerance provisions and time-bound judicial proceedings. It demands mandatory, functional security infrastructure in every government medical institution — operational CCTV, dedicated security personnel, and safe, lockable rest rooms for women doctors. It demands Internal Complaints Committees under the POSH Act that are genuinely empowered and independent. It demands a justice delivery system capable of concluding trials in violence-against-women cases within a defined statutory timeframe. And it demands a political and administrative culture in which women's safety is treated as a non-negotiable governance priority — not a seasonal talking point resurrected at election time.

"Abhaya — your anguish was not in vain. Your tears awakened the conscience of a nation."

In the hearts of every honest physician in this country, in the tears of every mother, in every voice raised for the safety of women — the spirit of Abhaya persists, alive and unyielding. She was not merely an individual. She was the embodiment of the dignity of the medical profession. She was the warning bell that rang for the safety of women. She was the public voice that cried out for justice. She remains all of these things still.

Abhaya — your name shall not be remembered in history as a wound alone. It shall endure as the torch by which a society, awakened at last, marched toward justice.

Simhachalam laxmanswamy, Hyderabad, India

Likitha Rani, Psychologist, Honoured with "Woman Icon of Excellence in Psychology Award 2026" at TPA Decenary Awards Gala

Jangaon, May 10, Metro Udayam: The prestigious TPA Decenary Awards Gala 2026 was celebrated with great grandeur and enthusiasm, bringing together distinguished personalities from various fields to honour excellence and achievement. The event marked a significant milestone for TPA as it celebrated a decade of service and contribution.



On this special occasion, Dr. Likitha Rani was honoured with the "Woman Icon of Excellence in Psychology Award 2026" by the Telangana Psychologists Association at the Film Nagar Cultural Center in Hyderabad in recognition of her outstanding contributions to the field of psychology and mental health awareness. The award was presented by an eminent panel of chief guests, including former

Governor Bandaru Dattatreya, renowned film director Tammareddy Bharadwaja, Dr. Tripurana Venkata Rathnam from the National Commission for Women, and TPA President Dr. Mothukuri Ramachander. Speaking at the event, the dignitaries appreciated Dr. Likitha Rani's dedication, commitment, and impactful work in the field of psychology. They highlighted the importance of mental health awareness in today's society and praised her efforts in

empowering individuals through psychological therapies and guidance.

The gala witnessed the presence of prominent guests, professionals, and social leaders, making it a memorable celebration of excellence, leadership, and service. The honour bestowed upon Dr. Likitha Rani stands as a testament to her remarkable achievements and continued contributions to society.

Sarpanch Vemuri requests RDO to protect government lands.....

Kodad May 11 Metro Morning.....

Munagala Mandal Narasimhapuram Sarpanch Dr. Vemuri Satyanarayana on Monday submitted a petition to Kodad RDO Suryanarayana, seeking protection of government lands within the gram panchayat limits from encroachment. He explained the problem in a public meeting held in Kodad. He expressed his concern that some people were illegally encroaching on the remaining plots of land allotted for Indiramma's houses in the past. He requested that a survey be conducted immediately and the boundaries be established so that there will be an opportunity to provide housing plots to the poor in the future. He also requested that the Muslim crematorium and Kabarstan site be surveyed.....





Hyderabad May:11 (Metro station)

Today, the newly appointed Khairatabad Rural Commissioner, Santosh IAS, was met by the Division Congress leaders under the leadership of former Corporator of Himayatnagar Division Mahalakshmi Raman Goud. On this occasion, the former Corporator said that the work being done in Himayatnagar Division has slowed down after the shift from Amberpet Circle to Khairatabad Circle last month. In this regard, they were asked to immediately talk to the concerned contractors and officials and see the work completely. Senior Congress leaders G. Raman Goud, Ashok, Prabhakar, Yadagiri, Gyaneshwar, Ganesh, Zaki, Jaswal, Sarfaraz, Anish, Sandeep, Jagadish, Shyam, Rajender Goud and others participated in this program.

She won the bet and stood on the brink of death.

Kodada May 11 Metro morning...

O Punju, who won the men's race, fought with death and was saved by the skill of the veterinarians. In the cock-fights held in Jaggaipet, AP, one Punju won against his opponent, but ten places suffered deep injuries. The stomach burst and the liver and intestines came out.



The animal was worth thousands of rupees and the owner was taken to Kodada Regional Veterinary Hospital. Assistant Director Dr. P. An emergency surgery was performed under the direction of Pentaya and the organs were repositioned and sutured. The doctors said that it is very rare to get such injuries in the race chickens. Staff Raju and Chandrakala participated in the treatment.

Padmasali Sangam felicitates new Tahsildar



Kodad May 11 Metro Morning.....

The newly-appointed Tahsildar Santosh Kiran of Kodad Mandal was felicitated on Monday by the Pattana Padmasali Seva Sangam. The association president Gorre Rajesh led him to meet him at the Tahsildar's office and felicitated him with garlands and shawls. Speaking on the occasion, the Tahsildar said that he would be accessible to the people and work to ensure that the problems and government welfare schemes reach everyone. He said that he would provide full support especially to the handloom community. He made it clear that he would provide transparent services to anyone who came for office work. Padmasali Sangam leaders Nakka Chandram, Pindiprolu Srinivas, Pantangi Nares, Nakka Gopi, Konda Srinivasa Rao and others participated in this program.....

PM Modi recalls 1998 Pokhran tests, says 'no power in the world can make us bow down'

Ahmedabad: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday recalled the nuclear tests conducted in Pokhran on May 11, 1998, highlighting India's firm and resolute resolve to take forward its nuclear ambitions despite immense pressure from world powers. He said that India conducted two nuclear tests in 1998, first on May 11 and then on May 13 and asserted that no power in the world could make the country and its citizens bow before external forces.

Participating in the Somnath Amrut Mahotsav celebrations, marking the 75 years of reconstruction of the Somnath Temple, PM Modi invoked the 1998 nuclear tests – one of the defining moments in the country's history to highlight India's rise as a global power under the leadership of former



Prime Minister late Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

"On May 11, India conducted three nuclear tests in Pokhran. Our scientists showcased the country's might and prowess before the world, this sent shockwaves across the world," he said addressing the gathering after 'Kumbhabhishek' at the Somnath temple. He stated that the global powers took a grim view of our nuclear prowess and imposed a lot of economic sanctions and

restraints.

"Anybody would have been shaken by this, when global powers gang up against you. But, we are made of different soil. After May 11, the world powers stepped up their vigil but our scientists had done the job. Again on May 13, two more nuclear tests were conducted. That day, the world go to know the 'atal' (resolute) will of India's political leadership," PM Modi said. Election result analysis

He said that there was immense pressure on the country but under the leadership of Atal Bihari Vajpayee, the BJP government had shown that the national interests reign supreme for us and no power in the world could force us to bow down.

The Prime Minister also elucidated on the naming of nuclear mission as 'Operation Shakti', stating that it marked India's growing self-belief and strategic positioning despite hurdles.

Notably, the Pokhran-I tests on May 18, 1974 and later the Pokhran-II tests on May 11 and May 13 in 1998, marked India's entry into the select league of nuclear-armed states and also came as a turning point in the country's strategic and geopolitical positioning.

Revant: No change in Inter admission process this year

Hyderabad: Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has directed officials to carry out Intermediate admissions as usual this year, ensuring that students' interests are not affected. Geographic Reference

The decision comes amid ongoing discussions about merging Intermediate education into the school system, a move that has raised both hopes and concerns among stakeholders.

The Telangana Education Commission had earlier recommended scrapping the separate Intermediate system and introducing Classes 11 and 12 within schools, similar to the CBSE model followed across most States.

According to the Commission, this integration could significantly reduce dropout rates, as

many students who complete Class 10 in government schools do not continue to separate Intermediate colleges.

However, officials recently issued a notification halting admissions, sparking anxiety among students and parents. Responding to these concerns, CM Revanth Reddy convened a high-level meeting with MP Venn Narendra Reddy, Chief Secretary Ramakrishna Rao, Principal Secretary Sheshadri, Special Secretary Ajit Reddy, Secretary Manik Raj, and Education Commissioner Yogita Rana. After reviewing the situation, the Chief Minister emphasised that technical challenges linked to the merger must be thoroughly studied before implementation. He instructed officials to temporarily defer the merger process and



instead proceed with admissions immediately to avoid disruption. The Chief Minister also directed that wide-ranging consultations with stakeholders be undertaken and that a committee studying Telangana's education policy submit a detailed report.

Revanth Reddy clarified that the final decision on restructuring Intermediate education will be taken only after a comprehensive debate in the Legislative Assembly.

Until then, the existing system will continue, ensuring students face no uncertainty in their academic progression.

This move provides relief to thousands of families worried about their children's future, while also signalling the government's intent to modernise the education system in line with national standards—albeit cautiously and with consensus. Telangana political news

Fulfil TG activists' demands by June 2: Kavitha to Cong govt

Hyderabad: Supporting the long-standing demands of the Udyamakarula Association, Telangana Rakshana Samithi president Kalvakuntla Kavitha on Sunday issued a June 2 deadline to the Congress government to fulfil their requirements, warning of mass protests. The TRS leader convened a meeting with several Telangana Udyamakarula associations at the party office in Banjara Hills. Kavitha declared her unconditional support for the activists' long-standing demands and issued a stern ultimatum to the incumbent Congress government. Addressing the gathering, Kavitha stated that the Congress party is being given

until June 2 to fulfil the promises it made to the state's activists prior to the elections. She warned that if the government fails to implement these assurances by the deadline, she will personally lead direct, large-scale protests alongside the activists to secure their rights. Hyderabad city guide

Kavitha demanded that the Telangana government immediately implement welfare schemes for state activists modelled after the successful framework currently provided by the Jharkhand government. To increase pressure on the administration, the TRS and activists' groups have decided to

organise a major public meeting at the Bhongir district centre. The meeting resolved to intensify land struggles and conduct a series of district-wise meetings to mobilise activists across the state. The meeting was attended by a broad coalition of leaders, including Roop Singh, Syed Ismail, Sama Anji Reddy, Moola Prabhakar Goud, Velamala Rajesh, and Srinivas Reddy. Other participants included Bogi Padma, Gussa Ravinder, Aruna, Poosa Srinivas, Kodimala Krishna, DS Manikyamma, Ramagiri Prakash, Beerakayala Madhusudhan, Bharat Reddy, Sajida Sikander, Srivalli, and K Satyanarayana.

When Telangana develops, India develops, says Modi



Hyderabad: Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while inaugurating a slew of major development projects in the city on Sunday, underscored the region's growing significance as a national and global powerhouse. Addressing after launching the Rs 16,400-crore projects at HICC in the presence of state Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla and Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy, Modi declared, "Cyberabad's strength is both national and global. It is a major centre of rapid development for Telangana and the country." Geographic Reference

The Prime Minister assured Telangana's youth, farmers, and entrepreneurs of the central government's unwavering support. "When Telangana develops, India develops," he declared, calling for unity and cooperative federalism to realise the vision of a developed India by 2047. Modi announced the launch and dedication of multiple projects aimed at transforming Telangana into a leading manufacturing hub, generating employment, and enhancing connectivity. One of the flagship projects unveiled was the Zaheerabad Industrial Area, envisioned as an Industrial Smart City with world-class infrastructure, robust power supply, and advanced ICT networks. This project, part of India's national industrial corridor campaign, is expected to attract massive investments and create thousands of jobs in vehicles, machinery, and food processing industries—benefiting both youth and farmers in Telangana. Highlighting India's rich heritage in textiles, Modi announced the inauguration of the PM Mitra Textile Park, India's first such park, in Warangal remotely. He noted that the park is set to accelerate India's textile revolution, offering central government incentives and creating large-scale employment, particularly for women. "Units set up in the park will benefit from government schemes, including the PLI scheme," he said, reaffirming the central government's commitment to industrial revival. Modi also spotlighted the unprecedented investments in Telangana's connectivity infrastructure over the past 12 years. With nearly Rs 1.75 lakh crore invested in national highways, the state's road network has doubled, and ongoing railway projects now total nearly Rs 50,000 crore. The Prime Minister highlighted that Telangana's railway budget soared to Rs 5,500 crore, a dramatic increase compared to the pre-2014 allocation for undivided Andhra Pradesh. He dedicated sections of the Kazipet-Vijayawada multitracking project and the Kazipet rail under-bypass, vowing to further ease travel and boost economic activity. Turning to the energy sector, Modi inaugurated the Indian Oil terminal at Malkapur, a facility poised to meet Telangana's rising energy demands and reinforce supply chains. He emphasised India's strides in solar power and ethanol blending, while urging responsible consumption of imported fuels to protect foreign exchange reserves and shield the country from global turbulence.

KCR to hold party meeting today

Hyderabad: BRS Chief Chandrashekar Rao will host a meeting at his Erravalli farmhouse on May 12. Significant leaders including Working President Rama Rao and general secretaries will attend. They intend to discuss the membership drive and organisational structure. The post-lunch session will focus on appointing in-charges and strengthening initiatives. Legislative deputy leaders are also invited to address these key matters. This gathering aims to refine the party's strategy and ensure robust growth across the state through dedicated leadership roles.



The role of research in medical education

In today's fast-changing medical landscape, becoming a physician is no longer just about mastering clinical knowledge or memorizing diagnostic protocols. Modern healthcare demands a more dynamic, evidence-driven approach—one that hinges on critical thinking, adaptability, and continuous learning. Integrating research into medical education has emerged as a cornerstone of this evolution, equipping students with the skills needed to think analytically, stay updated with emerging evidence, and contribute to the future of medicine.

Why research belongs in medical training

Incorporating research into medical education isn't reserved for future academics or laboratory scientists. It's about nurturing a mindset of curiosity and lifelong learning that benefits all physicians, regardless of specialty. Medical research sharpens several key competencies that are critical across the healthcare spectrum:

Critical Thinking and Analytical Skills:

Research engagement trains students to question existing practices, evaluate study designs, and interpret data objectively. This practice lays the groundwork for smarter clinical decisions and a deeper understanding of how evidence supports patient care.

Evidence-Based Medicine:

Today's doctors must sift through a constant influx of new studies and guidelines. Physicians who are trained in research are better equipped to assess the quality and relevance of this data, integrating it into practice to improve patient outcomes.

Problem-Solving Abilities:

By identifying knowledge gaps and proposing new hypotheses, research encourages innovative thinking. Medical students learn how to address real-world clinical challenges with evidence-informed strategies.

Communication and Confidence:

Whether presenting at conferences or publishing in journals, articulating research findings develops clarity of thought and the ability to explain complex information—skills that are invaluable in both patient care and interdisciplinary collaboration. Research is not just for those pursuing academic medicine; it enriches every aspect of a physician's profes-



sional life. Even those not aiming for careers in research benefit from understanding how to interpret and apply scientific literature to provide high-quality, modern medical care.

The broader impact of research in medicine

Research is the backbone of medical advancement. From discovering new treatments and technologies to shaping public health policies, scientific inquiry drives the evolution of healthcare systems globally. Encouraging medical students to participate in research fosters a culture of inquiry and innovation. It empowers them to question norms, test new ideas, and contribute meaningfully to the betterment of society.

Beyond intellectual development, research also opens doors professionally. Students involved in scholarly activities often distinguish themselves in competitive residency placements.

Having peer-reviewed publications, conference presentations, or awards for academic excellence on a CV signals initiative, discipline, and a commitment to advancing the field—qualities residency directors actively seek.

Additionally, early exposure to research helps students identify their areas of interest more clearly. It can shape career paths, inspire new specialties, and provide mentorship opportunities that last a lifetime.

How medical schools can support research

To fully harness the power of research in medical education, institutions must create supportive environments:

Structured Research Curriculum:

Offering elective modules or mandatory research projects helps integrate research into the core medical syllabus.

Mentorship Programs:

Pairing students with experienced researchers enhances learning and provides invaluable guidance.

Funding and Resources:

Access to labs, libraries, and financial support enables students to conduct meaningful research without added stress.

Recognition and Opportunities:

Celebrating student achievements—whether through awards, conference sponsorships, or research day showcases—motivates continued engagement and celebrates scholarly excellence.

Conclusion

In a world where medicine evolves with every new publication, medical education must go beyond the confines of textbooks and clinical rotations. By embedding research into the fabric of training, we prepare physicians not only to deliver care but to shape its future. The doctors of tomorrow must be thinkers, problem-solvers, and innovators—and it begins with a strong foundation in research today.

Assam govt promises to raise tea garden workers' wages in third term

Guwahati: Assam Chief Minister, Himanta Biswa Sarma, on Monday said that the NDA government would continue to prioritise the welfare of tea garden workers in the state and promised a phased increase in daily wages up to Rs 500 in the coming years. Highlighting the BJP-led government's initiatives for the tea community over the last decade, Sarma said the NDA has worked extensively for the holistic development of 'Cha Shramiks', whom he described as the backbone of Assam's 200-year-old tea legacy. Taking to social media, the Chief Minister said: "For the last 10 years, the NDA Government has worked for the holistic development of Assam's Cha Shramiks, who are the



backbone of our 200-year-old tea legacy. In NDA 3.0, we will further strengthen the lives and livelihoods of every Cha Shramik with a phased wage increase to Rs 500." The Chief Minister also highlighted several welfare and educational measures undertaken by the government for tea garden communities. According to official data

shared by the Chief Minister's Office, the Assam government has established 118 model high schools in tea garden areas between 2021 and 2026 to improve access to quality education for children from tea worker families. The government has now set a target to establish 100 more model high schools in tea garden

regions in a phased manner between 2026 and 2031. Officials said the initiatives are aimed at improving socio-economic conditions in tea garden areas by focussing on education, healthcare, skill development and livelihood generation. The tea tribe community constitutes a significant population in Assam and plays a crucial role in the state's economy through its contribution to the tea industry, one of Assam's largest employment-generating sectors. The BJP-led NDA government has repeatedly stressed inclusive growth and welfare-oriented policies for tea garden workers, including financial assistance schemes, housing support, scholarships and healthcare benefits.

How Industrial Safety Standards Are Transforming Chemical Handling

Industrial safety standards are changing chemical handling with safer systems, better technology, and improved protection for workers and industries.

How Industrial Safety Standards Are Transforming Chemical Handling

Chemical handling doesn't give second chances. Miss a valve check, use the wrong transfer line, send someone in without the right gear — and suddenly you're not talking about a close call anymore. You're talking about a life changed, or ended. The people who've actually worked a shift on a chemical plant floor don't need to be told this. They already know it. It lives somewhere in the back of their mind every single day they clock in.

India's industrial belt is growing fast — Gujarat's petrochemical zones, Hyderabad's pharma corridors, the manufacturing clusters spreading across Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu. And with that growth comes pressure. Regulators are watching more closely. Workers are asking harder questions. The old assumption — that you can cut a corner here, skip a protocol there, and nothing will come of it — is getting harder to sustain. Because eventually, something does come of it. And when it does, the cost isn't just financial. It's human.

Safety Used to Be Reactive. That's Changed

Rewind thirty or forty years, and chemical safety in India was largely a supervisor with a clipboard and a gut feeling. Rules existed, but enforcement was patchy and training was thin. That wasn't unique to India —



globally, safety culture in industrial settings was mostly reactive. Something broke. Someone got hurt. Then you fixed it.

Bhopal changed that. The 1984 disaster didn't just leave a scar on a city — it fundamentally rewired how governments, industries, and communities think about chemical risk. Legislation tightened. Accountability became harder to dodge.

Today, the framework looks very different. BIS standards, ISO 45001, OSHA-aligned guidelines — these aren't optional extras for large manufacturers. They're baseline expectations. Material Safety Data Sheets, hazard identification documentation, third-party audits — all of it is now woven into how serious industrial operations are run. It took time to get here. But the shift has been real.

The Old Systems Had Real Problems

Even with good intentions, traditional chemical handling setups

were built for a different era — smaller volumes, simpler hazard profiles, slower processes. They weren't designed for what Indian manufacturing demands today.

Looking back, the failure points weren't mysterious — they were obvious, at least to anyone paying close attention. Workers manually transferring toxic or corrosive chemicals with little more than basic gloves for protection. Metal components slowly eating themselves from the inside out when exposed to hydrochloric acid or chlorinated solvents. Spills that became routine rather than exceptional. Bulk storage systems running blind — no leak detection, no pressure monitoring — just hope holding everything together.

That's the part that's genuinely hard to sit with. Most of it didn't have to happen. A properly specified industrial chemical transfer pump — matched to the right chemical, the right temperature, the right flow rate — could have

kept workers at a safe distance and kept production running cleaner. The technology was there. What was missing was the willingness to prioritise it, and often, the money to act on that willingness.

Modern Infrastructure Is Built Differently

Walk through a well-run Indian chemical facility today, and it looks nothing like it did fifteen years ago. Automation has moved in. Sensors monitor in real time. IoT dashboards flag anomalies before they become incidents. Pressure-sensitive shut-offs, continuous leak detectors, remote monitoring — these aren't features reserved for multinationals anymore. Mid-sized manufacturers are adopting them too.

Material science has made a quiet but significant contribution here. The move away from standard metal and plastic components toward high-performance polymers has changed what's possible — especially in pharma. Handling aggressive solvents like methanol, acetone, or IPA requires components that won't degrade, leach contaminants, or compromise product purity. That's why PVDF lined chemical pumps for pharma solvents have become a go-to in GMP environments — PVDF's chemical resistance and cleanliness make it one of the few materials that genuinely holds up to both regulatory scrutiny and real-world chemical stress.

Process design has improved too. Closed-loop transfer systems, double-containment piping, automated dosing — all of these reduce direct human con-

tact with hazardous materials. And in larger facilities, AR and VR-based training simulations are letting workers practice emergency response without ever being exposed to actual risk. That's not a gimmick. That's smart.

Who's Seeing the Biggest Impact?

Pharma has arguably gained the most. India produces a massive chunk of the world's generic medicines, and bodies like the USFDA and EMA aren't known for leniency. Tighter chemical handling directly reduces audit failures, product recalls, and the kind of costly downtime that wipes out quarterly margins. Eventually, it shows on the books — but the real wins happen long before that.

Other manufacturing sectors aren't far behind. Fewer accidents bring down insurance premiums and legal exposure. But the benefit that rarely makes it into boardroom presentations? Worker morale. People show up differently — more focused, more invested — when they genuinely believe their employer gives a damn about sending them home safe.

The Work Isn't Finished

Progress is real, but it isn't the finish line. Regulations will get stricter. New materials and processes will bring hazards nobody's mapped yet. The companies that survive — and thrive — will be the ones treating safety as something they actually believe in, not just something they report on.

Rahul Gandhi most 'rejected maal' in Indian politics: Devendra Fadnavis

New Delhi: Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Monday called Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi as the "most rejected maal" in Indian politics.

Speaking to reporters, Devendra Fadnavis said, "Rahul Gandhi is the most 'rejected maal' in Indian politics. Rejected by all, rejected always, and rejected in every state... The country stands with PM Modi; the country stands behind PM Modi. The country repeatedly blesses PM Modi."

This comes after Prime Minister Narendra Modi urged people to cut fuel use and avoid foreign travel amid the global energy crisis due to the US-Iran war, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi remarked that over the span of 12 years, the country has been brought to such a juncture that the public now has to be told what to buy and what not to buy, where to go and where not to go. Rahul Gandhi took to social media 'X' and said, "Yesterday, Modi Ji called upon the public to make sacrifices—do not buy gold, do not travel abroad, consume less petrol, cut down on fertilisers and cooking oil, take the Metro, and work from home. These are not words of counsel; they are evidence of failure."

He further said the country has been brought to such a state that the public now has to be told what to buy and what not to buy.

"Over the span of 12 years, the country has been brought to such a



juncture that the public now has to be told what to buy and what not to buy, where to go and where not to go. Time and again, they shift the responsibility onto the public simply to evade their own accountability. Running the country is no longer within the capability of a "Compromised PM," he said.

On Sunday, PM Modi urged citizens to avoid buying gold for a year and postpone foreign travel as part of a broader appeal to conserve foreign exchange amid global uncertainty.

Notably, the Prime Minister's appeal is aimed at strengthening India's economic resilience at a time when the West Asia conflict, rising energy prices and supply-chain disruptions are increasing pressure on import-dependent economies.

Addressing a BJP rally in Hyderabad on Sunday, PM Modi urged citizens to reduce non-essential foreign exchange outflows, including gold purchases and overseas travel, while stressing the importance of collective public participation amid the current global crisis. City & Local Guides

"We have to save foreign exchange by any means," PM Modi said, calling on people to postpone gold purchases and foreign vacations for one year.

The Prime Minister framed the appeal as part of a broader push for "economic patriotism", alongside measures such as reduced fuel consumption, greater use of public transport, work-from-home systems, natural farming and support for swadeshi products.

Govt blamed for plight of farmers

Narasaraopet: Former MLA and YSRCP leader Bolla Brahmanaidu strongly criticised the state government over the plight of farmers and alleged administrative failures.

Addressing the media in Vinukonda on Sunday, he said that public representatives and officials had advised farmers to cultivate alternative crops instead of paddy, following which many farmers took up maize cultivation. However, he said that farmers are now facing severe losses due to the lack of remunerative prices for maize and the absence of government procurement.

He stated that the condition of both maize and tobacco farmers has become miserable, as they are unable to sell their produce and are facing serious financial difficulties. He alleged that the government has failed to take any effective measures to support farmers.

He further alleged that while the coalition government claims it is struggling to pay salaries to employees, it is simultaneously spending on luxury foreign tours. He said that even after two years of the government coming to power, not a single eligible beneficiary has been granted a new pension.

He accused TDP leaders in the capital region of being involved in illegal soil excavation and alleged that those who question such activities are being threatened. Though the government is claiming lakhs of crores in investments and lakhs of jobs, there is no visible development on the ground, he remarked.



Bhuvneshwar is becoming sort of an artist now, says Rayudu

New Delhi: Veteran pacer Bhuvneshwar Kumar's match-winning performance for Royal Challengers Bengaluru against Mumbai Indians drew glowing praise from former India batter Ambati Rayudu, who described him as 'an artist now' for the skill and control he displayed in Raipur.

Bhuvneshwar, 36, picked a stunning 4-23 to derail MI's batting before striking a crucial six in the final over to take RCB to a nervy two-wicket victory. His effort not only eliminated MI from the playoffs race but also lifted him to the top of the Purple Cap standings with 21 wickets.

"I think it's just his ability, and especially on a pitch like that where most of the balls would hit the stumps (that) he is even more lethal. Generally, when a batsman gets beaten on a bouncy track (the ball misses the stumps), but on these sort of pitches, he would more



or less get you out lbw or caught behind.

"We have seen a beautiful slower ball against Rohit (Sharma) as well his lucky ball, which always swings away. He has a lot of control over it. He's becoming sort of an artist now. He's just becoming so, so good at what he's doing," Rayudu was quoted as saying by ESPNCricinfo.

Former India wicketkeeper-batter Deep Dasgupta credited Bhuvneshwar's 'cricketing IQ' for the way he executed his skills with both bat and ball. "The skill set was always there.

It's just that, at times, because he's never been the quickest, it's just that release at times (that's made him) lose some pace off the pitch."

"I think he's (got it) back again. (Against MI) he was really good with his release. That backspin on the ball - I think he's got that back. And that's something I've actually tried to look at: how we can see the release. But it's difficult to see it (on TV), but you can feel it looking at the batters playing at it, and kind of hurrying (into their shots) even at 133-134kph.

"He's hurrying the batters. The batters' are a little late playing at him. So that just tells you that he's got that release back. One of the things we keep talking about (when it comes to) Bhuvi is his skill and all, but obviously he's survived and done so well (over the years), it's not just because of his skill set (but) also his cricketing brains and cricketing IQ. Here was a great example with the six and that single after that to kind of deny Rasikh who was running for the second," he elaborated. On Bhuvneshwar's crucial six, Rayudu pointed out how the pacer would practice this shot when in the nets during his playing days. "Actually, Bhuvi plays that shot over the covers. I've seen him hit a few sixes over covers. So that's his area of strength. And he (Raj Angad Bawa) bowled exactly where Bhuvi wanted it. It's still great for Bhuvi to execute it the way he did. First ball."

When and where to watch GT vs SRH, know all details

Ahmedabad: Gujarat Titans will look to continue their strong winning momentum when they host Sunrisers Hyderabad in Match 56 of the Indian Premier League 2026 at the Narendra Modi Stadium on Tuesday. Hyderabad city guide

Both teams head into the contest in impressive form, making the encounter a crucial battle in the race for playoff positions. Gujarat Titans currently occupy third place on the points table with seven wins from 11 matches and arrive on the back of four consecutive victories. Their latest triumph came in dominant fashion against the Rajasthan Royals, whom they defeated by 77 runs in Jaipur.

Led by Shubman Gill, the Titans have found consistency at a critical stage of the tournament, with both their batting and bowling units clicking together during the winning run. Playing at home will further boost their confidence as they aim to strengthen their

position in the top four. Sunrisers Hyderabad, meanwhile, have emerged as one of the form teams of the season after recovering strongly from a difficult start.

After losing three of their opening four matches, the side led by Pat Cummins has staged a remarkable turnaround, winning six of their last seven games to climb to second place in the standings, just behind Royal Challengers Bengaluru. The clash also brings together two sides with contrasting head-to-head numbers. Gujarat Titans have largely dominated the rivalry since both teams first met in 2022, winning five of their seven encounters against Hyderabad. Sunrisers have managed just one victory, while one match ended without a result.

Their most recent meeting, played in May last year, ended in a Gujarat Titans victory, and the hosts will once again look to make home advantage count in what promises to be one of the key contests of the



league stage. When: Tuesday, May 12, 7:30 PM IST Where: Narendra Modi Stadium, Ahmedabad Where to watch: The GT vs SRH match will be broadcast on Star Sports channels, with JioHotstar live-streaming the game.

Squads:

Gujarat Titans: Shubman Gill (c), Jos Buttler (wk), Kumar Kushagra, Glenn Phillips, Rashid Khan, Manav Suthar, Nishant Sindhu, Washington Sundar, Mohammed Siraj, Prasidh Krishna, Kagiso Rabada, Ravisrinivasan Sai Kishore, Jayant Yadav, Ishant Sharma, Ashok Sharma, Jason Holder, Tom Banton, Luke Wood,

Sai Sudharsan, Rahul Tewatia, Arshad Khan, Anuj Rawat, Kulwant Khejroliya, Gurnoor Brar, M Shahrukh Khan

Sunrisers Hyderabad: Travis Head, Ishan Kishan, Heinrich Klaasen, Smaran Ravichandran, Abhishek Sharma, Harsh Dubey, Kamindu Mendis, Nitish Kumar Reddy, Pat Cummins (c), Eshan Malinga, Jaydev Unadkat, Harshal Patel, Salil Arora, Praful Hinge, Liam Livingstone, Shivam Mavi, Jack Edwards, Brydon Carse, Sakib Hussain, Zeeshan Ansari, Aniket Verma, Amit Kumar, Krains Fuletra

Divyenndu Sharma confirms he is part of Venkatesh-Trivikram's 'AK47'

Divyenndu Sharma, widely popular for playing Munna Bhaiya in Mirzapur, has officially joined the cast of Adarsha Kutumbam (AK47) starring Venkatesh Daggubati. Directed by acclaimed filmmaker Trivikram Srinivas, the upcoming project is being made as a family crime drama and is currently under production. The latest casting update was revealed by Divyenndu Sharma himself during a recent interview, creating excitement among Telugu cinema fans. The actor enjoys a strong fan

following among Telugu audiences due to the massive popularity of Mirzapur, and his inclusion in the film has further increased curiosity around the project. Interestingly, Divyenndu is also set to make his Tollywood debut with Peddi starring Ram Charan. Produced by S Radha Krishna, popularly known as China Babu, under the banner of Haarika and Hassine Creations, Adarsha Kutumbam is aiming for a grand theatrical release during the Dussehra festive season. The film stars Srinidhi

Shetty as the female lead opposite Venkatesh. The project is also generating strong buzz due to the successful combination of Venkatesh and Trivikram Srinivas, both known for delivering entertaining family dramas with emotional depth and strong dialogues. Music for the film is being composed by S Thaman. With production progressing steadily and the addition of Divyenndu Sharma to the cast, expectations surrounding the movie continue to rise among audiences and trade circles.

IPL 2026 Live Streaming: Where and How to Watch Matches Online and on TV



Find out where and how to watch Indian Premier League matches live online and on TV, including streaming platforms, mobile apps, and broadcast channels for IPL 2026.

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An alternative option for television viewers is to select dedicated sports channels which have the broadcasting rights for the event. These channels not only provide continuous feeds, but also have pundits who comment on the game and provide in depth insight before and after matches.

Similarly, the advent of online content has made it so easy to access matches on the go on a variety of portable devices like mobile phones, iPads, and computers.

For complete platform options and updated availability, you can explore ipl live streaming 2026 to stay informed about the latest viewing methods.

How to Watch IPL 2026 on Mobile and Desktop It has never been easier to stream the IPL online. Unlike traditional broadcasting where one would just tune in, most streaming portals these days need a subscription or partner access through various telecom providers. Once you make your purchase, you can:

- Stream matches live in HD quality
- Access match highlights and replays
- Follow live stats and commentary
- Watch from multiple devices

This flexibility has meant that fans are able to keep that link to the tournament at any time and any place.

Global Streaming Availability Innumerable followers from all four corners of the Earth will see the 2026 Indian Premier League; since the officially set-up broadcasting networks run for the following territories down below:

- India
- United Kingdom
- Australia
- Middle East
- United States

For each region, there are official partners to help fans all over the world to watch the games legally and with good quality.

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