



Chandrababu Naidu calls for revival of Indian joint family system

Andhra Pradesh CM N. Chandrababu Naidu advocates for a revival of the traditional joint family system and shared parenting responsibilities while launching the state's three-day Pulse Polio Immunisation drive. Read about the government's efforts to boost population growth and ensure a healthy future for children. Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu on Sunday called for the revival of the traditional Indian joint family system. Stating that the joint family system is one of the greatest strengths of India, he said grandparents and other family members helped shape children with values and emotional support. The Chief Minister was speaking after administering polio drops to children as part of the Pulse Polio Immunisation Programme at his official residence here. He interacted with children and their parents and enquired about their health, vaccination status and

upbringing. He urged parents to ensure that children receive all government-recommended vaccinations on time to safeguard their health. Officials of the Health and Family Welfare Department informed the Chief Minister that the State aims to administer polio drops to approximately 4.92 million children below the age of five during the three-day Pulse Polio campaign beginning Sunday. During his interaction with families, the Chief Minister asked parents about the challenges of raising children, especially in households where both parents are working. He stressed that childcare should not be considered the mother's responsibility solely and called upon fathers to actively participate in raising children. "Fathers and other family members must share the responsibility of bringing up children. Parenting should never be left entirely to mothers," he said. The Chief Minister observed that



societal attitudes towards having children are changing and stressed that children should be viewed as a source of joy and strength rather than a burden. Reiterating the State government's commitment to encourage larger families, Chandrababu Naidu said the

government is creating awareness among people on the importance of having two or more children and promoting a family-friendly social environment. Director of Secondary Health K.V.N. Chakradhar Babu and officials from the National Health

Mission (NHM) participated. Meanwhile, Minister of Backward Classes Welfare, S. Savitha, stated that the government is implementing the Pulse Polio programme with great commitment, aiming to create a polio-free society in the state. She launched the Pulse Polio programme in Vijayawada Central constituency by administering polio drops to children along with MLA Bonda Umamaheswara Rao. Speaking on the occasion, Minister Savitha urged every parent to take responsibility for ensuring that their children under the age of five receive the polio drops. She noted that, in alignment with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision and for the sake of a healthy future for the next generation, the government under the leadership of Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu is conducting the Pulse Polio programme extensively across the state.

India stands as a beacon of excellence for democracy: Seychelles' Speaker

Seychelles National Assembly Speaker, Azarel Ernesta, praised the democracy of India as Prime Minister Narendra Modi delivered a special address during his state visit to the archipelagic island. "Democracy is a journey experienced by each nation in its own time and in its own way, and India stands as a beacon of excellence, not just as the largest democracy in the world, but also as the Mother of Democracy..." Ernesta said in her remarks on the occasion. "I believe you (PM Modi) are the first Prime Minister to address our House and through this House, our people. We are grateful and appreciative of the time you have taken to convey your message to us," she added. Leader of Government Business in the National Assembly, Sylvanne Lemiel, welcomed PM Modi's presence as Guest of Honour for their



independence anniversary and said it made the occasion "meaningful". "It is an occasion of exceptional significance for our Republic. As we commemorate the 50th anniversary of the independence of Seychelles, it is a great honour to welcome to our House the distinguished Guest of Honour, Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of the Republic of India. Prime Minister Modi, your presence today makes this historic occasion even more

meaningful..." Lemiel noted. PM Modi expressed gratitude for the warmth and friendship extended by the people of Seychelles. "Addressed the National Assembly of Seychelles today. Expressed my gratitude for the warmth and friendship extended by the people of Seychelles. Spoke about the long-lasting partnership between our two nations that is built on shared values. It was also an honour interacting with the Members of the

Assembly," he wrote on X. Earlier in the day, PM Modi was conferred with the 'Guardian of the Blue Horizon', Seychelles' highest distinction for leadership in environmental conservation and sustainable development. The award acknowledges PM Modi's long-standing push for sustainable growth and his green vision. Prime Minister Modi expressed gratitude to President Patrick Herminie for the warm welcome and honouring him with the "Guardian of the Blue Horizon" award. "I humbly accept this title with honour and dedicate it to all other countries that are struggling against the challenges of climate change and that consider the protection of the environment their responsibility toward future generations. This is an urgent challenge that we need to overcome together," the Prime Minister said in a post on X.

Telangana CM Revanth Reddy pays tribute to former PM PV Narasimha Rao

On this occasion of birth anniversary of former Prime Minister of India and Bharat Ratna recipient, Pamulaparthi Venkata Narasimha Rao, Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy paid rich tributes to PV. He recalled that the services rendered by PV Narasimha Rao in building modern India are unforgettable. The Chief Minister shared this message on the social media platform 'X'. Chief Minister Revanth Reddy lauded PV for earning a unique place in the nation's history as a freedom fighter, a polyglot, and a visionary leader. He particularly hailed PV as a great

leader who ushered in economic reforms and steered the Indian economy in a new direction. The Chief Minister noted that PV Narasimha Rao stands out as a leader who provided effective leadership during complex times and laid strong foundations for India's development. CM Revanth Reddy stated that the achievements of PV Narasimha Rao are a source of pride for both the state and the nation, and that his services, ideas, and ideals will continue to inspire future generations.



Anant Ambani donates 25 electric buses to TTD



Anant Ambani also made a significant decision regarding animal welfare. Anant Ambani, son of Reliance Industries Chairman Mukesh Ambani, visited the Tirumala Sri Venkateswara Swamy temple on Sunday (June 28) morning and performed special prayers. He fulfilled a vow by offering his hair to the deity. Following the darshan, Anant Ambani met with TTD Additional EO Venkaiah Chowdary and announced several significant donations for the development of Tirumala. Anant Ambani announced the donation of 25 electric buses, valued at approximately ₹27.5 crore, to the TTD. These buses will help enhance eco-friendly transport services for pilgrims in Tirumala. Furthermore, he stated that Reliance would bear the salary and allowance costs for the 50 drivers required to operate these buses. Reliance also agreed to assist in setting up the necessary charging stations for the electric buses in Tirumala, marking a crucial step towards strengthening the green transport system in the region. Anant Ambani also made a significant decision regarding animal welfare. He pledged support to modernise the Tirumala Goshala (cow shelter) along the lines of the 'Vantara' initiative managed by Reliance in Gujarat. He expressed his commitment to working with the TTD to upgrade the Goshala with modern facilities, improved care, and veterinary services. TTD sources state that the substantial donations announced by Anant Ambani will greatly benefit the development of the Goshala (cow shelter) and the implementation of an eco-friendly transport system in Tirumala. These acts of service, performed with deep devotion, are currently earning praise from devotees.

Youth should follow the path of progress with the inspiration of retired employees.....



Kodad Town CI Shivshankar Nayak.....

Kodad June 28 Metro Morning.....

Kodad Town CI Shivshankar Nayak praised the fact that retired employees who have served the government for a long time and retired are participating in sports with great enthusiasm. He attended the

Suryapet district level sports and cultural art competitions organized to celebrate the birthday of State Associate President Ravella Seetharamaiah at the Retired Employees Association building in Kodad on Sunday and inaugurated them as the chief guest. Speaking on the occasion, he praised the Kodad Retired Employees Association for not being



limited to sports alone, but for organizing many service programs in the society and standing as an example for many. He called on today's youth to not fall prey to the epidemic of drugs and marijuana, but to take retired employees as inspiration and excel in sports and studies. Kodada Unit President Venepalli Srinivasa Rao, District President Bollu Rambabu,

Danda Chief Secretary Shyamsunder Reddy, Kodada Unit Secretary Raghuvara Prasad, Financial Secretary Tammaboina Veerababu, Vice Presidents Yasdani, Bhramaramba, Balemia, Haji Nayak, Jagini Shobhayya and others participated in this program.

State Bank Pensioners Association felicitates Trinadharao

- This felicitation has increased his responsibility: Dr. Trinadharao

Chikkadapally, 28 June Metro Udayam : In recognition of his outstanding contribution in the field of music, Dr. Trinadharao was felicitated at the 39th Annual General Body Meeting of the State Bank Pensioners Association held in the city. Speaking on the occasion, the association's general secretary, Krishna Kumar, said that it is a great thing that Trinadharao has dedicated his life to music even after retirement. He said that even during his retirement, he is progressing wonderfully with his breath and concentration. President Radhakrishnan said that Trinadharao is a



proud artist of the bank and is strengthening the

reputation of the bank with his songs. Responding to the honour bestowed upon him, Trinadharao said that this honour has further increased his responsibility towards the music industry and he will continue to

serve music till his last breath. The prayer song "Prasanna Vadana Dhyayet.. Sarva Vighnoh Pashantaye" sung by Trinadharao at the beginning of the gathering impressed everyone. A large number of bank officials and representatives of the association participated in the gathering, which was attended by over a thousand people.

Inaugural of 'Saudamani Saahithya Samstha' in Jangaon



Jangaon, June 28, Metroudayam:

Saudamani Sahitya Sanstha' has emerged as the center of Kamareddy Goodem, Devaruppu with the aim of conveying people's problems to the government through literary creativity, directing today's youth towards literature, and preserving linguistic and cultural tra-

ditions. The inaugural meeting of this organization was held at Janagama District Central Library on Sunday.

G. Krishna, President of Poets and Artists association Janagama, presided over the programme.

Speaking on this occasion, many poets said that it is commendable to start



a literary institution on the ground of struggles. They hope that this organization would work for the youth to rise to a higher level in the fields of art and literature. The President of the Literary Society Chinta Prasad, Vice President Ankaala Somaiah, Treasurer Jogu Sudarshan and Executive Committee member Jogu

Sudhakar participated in this program. Also poets M a s u r a m R a j e n d r a p r a s a d, Lagishetti Prabhakar, Panuganti Ramamurthy, Petloju Someswarachary, Mamindla Anjaiah, Rangaraju Prasad, Yadagiri, Narahari and others participated in this meeting.

'Ambassador of Sports' Award Presented to David Francis



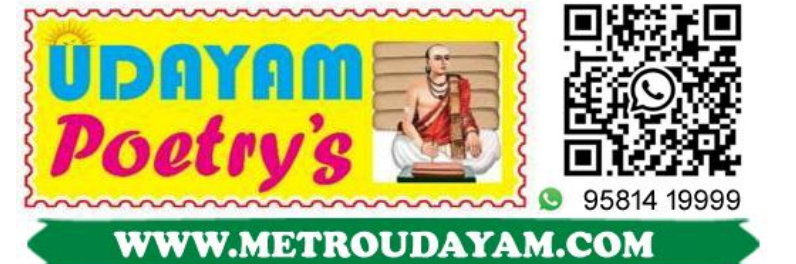
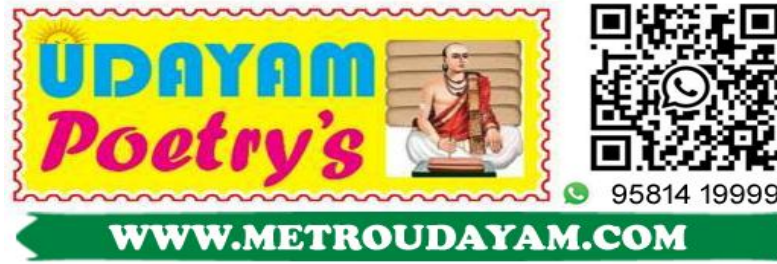
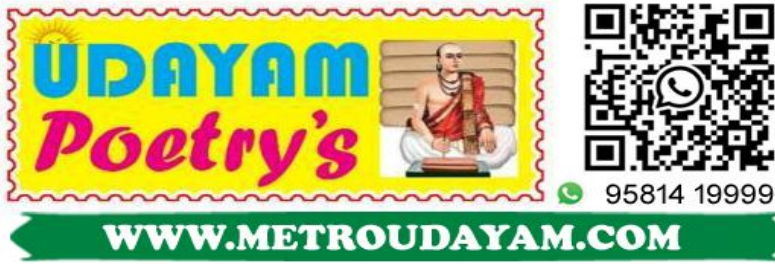
Chikkadapally, 28 June Metro Udayam : M.A. David Francis has been honored with the 'Ambassador of Sports (Telangana)' award for winning numerous gold medals in long jump, shot put, and discus throw events at state, national, and international levels. The award was presented to him by Y. Rama Rao, General Secretary of the Masters Games Association of Telangana, during a ceremony held at the Fateh Maidan Club (LB Stadium, Hyderabad); Rama Rao also extended his special congratulations. Speaking on the occasion, Rama Rao remarked that David Francis's continued participation in national and international Masters Games at the age of 76—driven by determination and hard work—serves as an inspiration to today's youth. Many others congratulated him and expressed hope that he would win many more gold medals at the international level in the future. Additionally, 'Ambassador of Sports' awards were presented to T. Lavanya Reddy, who won a gold medal in the 400-meter race at the International Railways competition, and international swimmer Gandham Queenie Victoria. Special congratulations were extended to David Francis during the event.

Give polio drops to all children under the age of five

-Jepally Gram Panchayat Sarpanch Amina Ashok Rathod



Charakonda, June 28 Metro Udayam : Jepally Gram Panchayat Sarpanch Amina Ashok Rathod called on everyone to be a partner in building a polio-free society. She attended the Pulse Polio program organized by the Medical Department on Sunday in the premises of Jepally Gram Panchayat, Charakonda Mandal, as the chief guest and started the program by administering polio drops to children. Speaking on the occasion, she said that Pulse Polio is a protective shield for every child. She said that it is very necessary to provide polio drops to every child under the age of five to completely eradicate polio. She advised parents not to neglect this matter and to give polio drops to all their children. Former Sarpanch Ravinder Reddy, Anganwadi staff, ASHA workers, parents of children, village elders Prashanth, Srinu, Ramesh, villagers and others participated in this program.



अनाथों की सुरक्षा केवल दान,धर्म का विषय नहीं, बल्कि उनका अधिकार है। उन्हें सम्मान, अवसर और घरेलू सुरक्षा मिलनी चाहिए। ...

(शकील उवाच -७४१)

पवित्र कुरआन यतीम याने अनाथों के अधिकारों को सुरक्षित रखा है। इस्लाम का आदेश है कि किसी भी यतीम (अनाथ) पर किसी भी रूप में शोषण करना महा पाप है। उन पर किसी प्रकार का दबाव बनाना बिल्कुल ही वर्जित है। पवित्र कुरआन के सूरह अज जोहा में अल्लाह पैगंबर मुहम्मद (स.) को याद दिलाता है कि वह भी बचपन में अनाथ (यतीम) थे और अल्लाह ने ही उन्हें (उनके आदरणीय चाचा अबुतालिब अलैहिस्सलाम के माध्यम से) आश्रय दिया था। इसलिए, उसी अहसान को याद रखते हुए समाज के अन्य अनाथों के साथ भलाई करने की हिदायत दी गई है।



अनाथों के साथ रहम से पेश आने का हुक्म देते हुए सूरह अज जोहा में अल्लाह (सु.) के फरमान को इस तरह सुनाया है कि 'और क्या उसने तुम्हें निर्धन (धन के अभाव में) नहीं पाया, फिर तुम्हें समृद्ध (धनवान) कर दिया? अतः तुम भी यतीम पर सितम (अत्याचार) न करना।' (पवित्र कुरआन, अध्याय क्रमांक 93, सूरह अज जोहा, आयत क्रमांक 8 और 9)। इस आयत में निर्धनता में खातिजा सलामुल्लाअलैहा के माध्यम से और चाचा अबू तालिब अलैहिस्सलाम के माध्यम से सहायता की जाने की बात कहकर अनाथ बच्चों के साथ नरमी, दया और अच्छा व्यवहार करने का सख्त निर्देश दिया है।

यतीमों की सुरक्षा के लिए मानव जाती को सिखाया गए पाठ अद्भुत और आदर्श है। कुरआन में पैगंबर साहब मोहम्मद (स्व.) को उनकी बचपन की स्थिति याद दिलाकर यह सिखाया जाता है कि नेतृत्वकर्ताओं और समाज के सभी सदस्यों को अपने अनुभव और एहसान की याद से प्रेरणा लेकर दूसरों को सहायता करनी चाहिए। यह स्मरण आत्मसहानुभूति और कृतज्ञता का भाव पैदा करता है। यह आदेश देखने में पैगम्बर साहब (स्व.) को दिया गया लगता हो लेकिन वास्तव में यह आदेश प्रलय तक आने वाली मानव जाती के लिए है।

इस आयत में ईश्वर ने पैगंबर साहब (स्व.) को याद दिलाया कि उन्हें बचपन में सहायता मिली थी कु यह एक भावनात्मक और दार्शनिक आधार देता है कि अनाथ की कठिनाई को समझना व्यक्तिगत अनुभवों की साझेदारी का आव्हान है। संदेश यह है कि जब किसी को पूर्व में शिकायत या कठिनाई मिली हो और उसे राहत मिली हो, तो उसे दूसरों के प्रति दया और उदारता दिखानी चाहिए। यह प्रेरणा केवल सहानुभूति नहीं बल्कि यह भी बताती है कि किसी भी सामाजिक लाभ कृ जैसे सम्पत्ति या प्रतिष्ठा कृ को अनाथों के अधिकारों से ऊपर नहीं रखा जाना चाहिए।

पवित्र कुरआन 2२:20 में यथार्थ परिस्थितियों का वर्णन करते हुए कहा गया है कि अनाथों और गरीबों के मामलों में व्यवहार करते समय न्याय और परोपकार बरतना चाहिए। साथ ही यह सामाजिक दायरे और पारिवारिक मामलों में उनकी भलाई पर जोर देते हुए कहता है कि, यदि आप उनके साथ मिलकर रहते हैं या अपने खर्च और जीवन-यापन को उनके साथ साझा करते हैं, तो इसमें कोई हर्ज नहीं है, क्योंकि वे आपके भाई (धर्म और समाज में) हैं।

प इत्र कुरआन में आया है कि, प्लाकि तुम दुनिया और आखिरत (परलोक) के मामले में गौर करो। और तुमसे लोग अनाथों के बारे में पूछते हैं। तुम उनसे कहदो, शउनकी इसलहा (हालात को संवारना, सुधारना) बेहतर है। और तुम उनसे मिलजुल कर रहो, क्योंकि वे तुम्हारे भाई हैं। और खुदा उपद्रवी (बिगाड़ने वाले) और नेक नीयत वाले (सुधारने वाले) को अच्छी तरह जानता है। और यदि खुदा चाहता, तो तुम्हें मुश्किल में डाल देता। बेशक, अल्लाह सर्वशक्तिमान और अत्यंत सर्वज्ञ है। (पवित्र कुरआन, अध्याय 2, सूरह अल-बकरह, आयत 220)।

अनाथों की सुरक्षा केवल दान,धर्म का विषय नहीं, बल्कि उनका अधिकार है। उन्हें सम्मान, अवसर और घरेलू सुरक्षा मिलनी चाहिए ताकि वे समाज में स्वतंत्र और सशक्त नागरिक बन सकें। अनाथों के अधिकार में आए धार्मिक आदेशों में नैतिक और सामाजिक मूल्य निहितार्थ हैं। यदि समाज अपना कमजोर वर्ग (अनाथ, विधवाएँ, गरीब) उपेक्षित करता है तो सामाजिक अशांति, अपराध और असमानता बढ़ती है। अनाथों की देखभाल सामाजिक बुनियाद को मजबूत करती है। और सामाजिक स्थिरता के लिए आवश्यक और मानवाधिकार की गरिमा से जुड़ी हुई बात है। (क्रमशः)

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

पुण्य नदियाँ - पुष्कर वैभव

३.गोदावरी नदी

पुराने समय में दक्षिण गोदावरी के किनारे गौतम नाम के एक महान ऋषि ने बहुत कठोर तपस्या की थी। उस समय अचानक बहुत भयंकर अकाल पड़ा और सभी लोग बिना खाने के रह गये। गौतम की तपस्या के वजह से उनके आश्रम में बिना किसी कमी के बहुत सारा खाना था। अगर सुबह आश्रम की जमीन पर थोड़ा अनाज बिखेर दिया जाता, तो आश्रम में रहने वाले सभी लोगों के लिए फसल के रूप में काफी अनाज मिल जाता था। गौतम उस फसल से अपने आश्रयदाताओं को खुश करते थे। यह बात न सिर्फ धरती पर, बल्कि स्वर्ग में भी फैल गई। ऋषि नारद ने कहा कि गौतम जैसा कोई महान आत्मा नहीं है।



जिन ब्राह्मणों ने भूख के समय गौतम की शरण ली थी, वे अब उनसे नाराज और ईर्ष्यालु हो गये और उनकी बदनामी की साजिश रचने लगे। उन्होंने एक बनावटी गाय बनाई, जो हवा के हल्के झोंके से ही गिर सकती थी और उसे आश्रम के खेतों में छोड़ दिया। उस गाय को वहाँ देखकर और फसल के नुकसान के डर से गौतम ने उस पर घास का एक दर्भा फेंका। दर्भा टकराते ही गाय की तुरंत मौत हो गई। तब उन ब्राह्मणों ने गौतम पर गाय की हत्या का पाप करने का आरोप लगाया और प्रायश्चित्त का एक उपाय बताया। यह पाप तभी धुल सकता था जब उसी जगह पर गंगा नदी को बहाया जाए जहाँ गाय मरी थी।

उनका मानना था कि अगर नदी इस तरह बहेगी तो सूखा नहीं पड़ेगा और गौतम ही ऐसा कर सकते थे। तब गौतम ने शिव के लिए कड़ी तपस्या की। शिव ने उनकी तपस्या की तारीफ की और गंगा को, जिसे उत्तर भारत में भागीरथी के नाम से जाना जाता है, अपनी जटाओं से सात धाराओं में धरती पर बहने का आदेश दिया। उस जगह को नासिक और त्र्यंबकम कहा जाता है। नासिका का मतलब नाक होता है। लक्ष्मण ने यहीं सूर्यपूजा की नाक काटी थी। इसीलिए इसका नाम नासिक पड़ा। यह महाराष्ट्र में है। यहाँ से गोदावरी, जो गौतम के साथ बहती थी, अपने रास्ते में कई जगहों से गुजरी और कोवूर के पास उस जगह से निकली जहाँ गाय मरी थी। वही आज का गोष्पद क्षेत्र है। आज यह जगह राजमहेंद्रवरम (आंध्र प्रदेश) के पास स्थित कोवूर में है। गौतम के नाम पर इस नदी को गौतमी गोदावरी कहा जाता है। धवलेश्वरम को पार करने के बाद यह सात शाखाओं में बंटकर वशिष्ठ और वृद्ध जैसे नामों से समुद्र में मिलती है। इसीलिए इसे अखण्ड गोदावरी कहते हैं। स्कंद पुराण में गोदावरी के बारे में कई कहानियाँ हैं। श्रीरामचंद्र जी त्रेता युग में गोदावरी नदी के किनारे रहते थे।

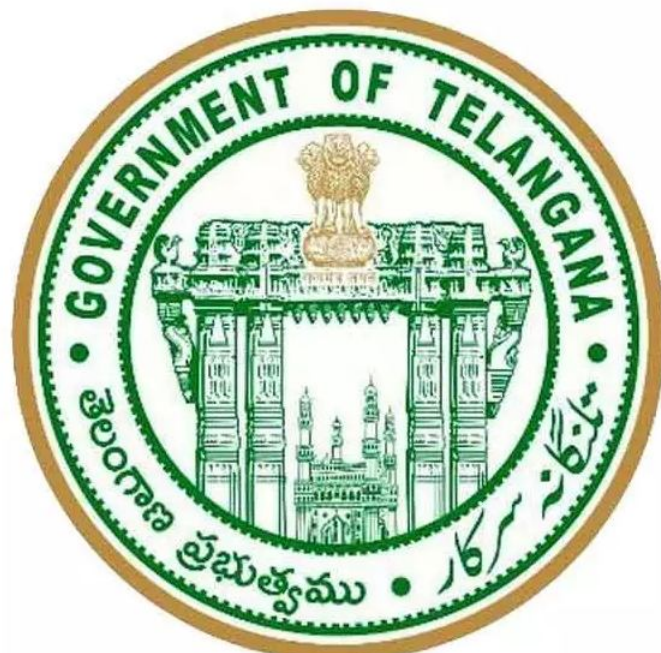
पुष्कर माह के दौरान गोदावरी नदी के किसी भी हिस्से में स्नान करने से अनंत फल मिलते हैं। सौर संहिता में स्पष्ट किया गया है कि पुष्कर में एक बार गोदावरी नदी में नहाने का पुण्य, 12 साल तक गंगा नदी में नहाने के पुण्य के बराबर होता है। पुष्कर में नदी में नहाने से जन्म से लेकर अब तक किये गये सभी पाप धुल जाते हैं।

जब बृहस्पति (गुरु) सिंह राशि में प्रवेश करता है, तो दक्षिण की गंगा, गोदावरी पुष्कर को प्राप्त करती है। इस दौरान स्नान करने से 35 करोड़ नदियों में एक साथ स्नान करने के समान फल मिलता है।

गोदावरी नदी का पुष्करस वर्ष 2027 को आयोजित किया जाएगा।

लायन वि वि स्वामी
हिन्दी निकेतन, एलूरु

Govt to roll out new health scheme for staff on July 15



Hyderabad: The Telangana government will launch a new health scheme for government employees, pensioners and contract staff on July 15, following key decisions taken at the inaugural meeting of the Employees' Health Care Trust (EHCT). GeographicReference The meeting, chaired by Chief Secretary K Ramakrishna Rao, resolved to roll out the scheme as scheduled and announced that comprehensive operational guidelines would be issued within a week. One of the major decisions taken was that in cases where both husband and wife are government

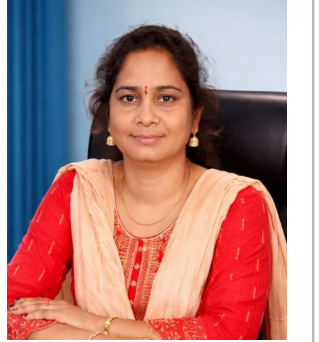
employees, the health scheme contribution will be deducted from only one spouse, while the other will be exempt from making a separate contribution. The meeting also decided that officials from the Health Department and members of the Employees' Health Care Trust will hold discussions with representatives of empanelled hospitals within a week. The consultations will focus on finalising treatment package rates and preparing the list of hospitals to be included under the scheme. The finalised package rates and the empanelled hospital network are expected

to be approved at the next meeting of the Trust. The new health scheme aims to provide improved and streamlined medical serv-

ices to government employees, pensioners and contract staff across Telangana.

A Tribute on the Birth Anniversary of Shri P. V. Narasimha Rao

A scholar was born where the Godavari flows. His mind was a river of languages and prose. From Karimnagar soil rose a voice wise and deep. He sowed thoughts in silence for the nation to reap.



He was a poet who wore the weight of the state. He was a statesman who entered literature's gate. Telugu was his cradle, Sanskrit his prayer. Hindi, English, Urdu, Marathi filled the air.

He read the old scriptures with a reformer's sight. He wrote books that burned through the long Indian night. He knew Persian couplets and Tamil's grace. He carried ten tongues with effortless ease.

He governed with patience when the times were unkind.

He steered a new dawn with a scholar's mind. He opened the gates when the markets were closed. He trusted the future that others opposed.

He was the quiet architect of modern rise. He spoke less in crowds and more in wise files. He balanced tradition with the need for change. He walked through the storms with a vision wide-range.

He was called the Chanakya of our times. He answered each crisis with measured rhymes. Today on his birth we remember his flame. And honor the scholar who gave India a name.

D. KAVITHA (SA Phy-Science)
ZPHS BEJJUR.
KB ASIFABAD DISTRICT.

No One Grows Alone

We often celebrate individual success, but the truth is far simpler, NO ONE GROWS ALONE.



Today's world is moving faster than ever. Careers demand constant performance, families carry increasing responsibilities, and our lifestyles leave little room to pause and reflect. We are expected to achieve more, adapt faster, and remain resilient through every challenge.

Behind the smiles and accomplishments, however, many people are quietly battling stress, self-doubt, and emotional exhaustion. They begin to lose faith in themselves not because they lack ability, but because they lack perspective. The greatest challenge of our time is not a shortage of talent; it is the absence of meaningful guidance. Every one of us needs someone outside of ourselves—a mentor, a coach, a teacher, a trusted friend, or a family member who can see what we cannot. They remind us of our strengths when we focus only on our weaknesses. They help us navigate uncertainty when our own judgment is clouded. Seeking guidance is not a sign of dependence; it is a mark of maturity. Every accomplished leader, professional, entrepreneur, athlete, and artist has benefited from someone who challenged them, encouraged them, and believed in them before they fully believed in themselves. Life was never meant to be navigated alone. Sometimes, a single conversation can restore confidence. A single mentor can change a career. A single word of encouragement can change a life. In a world where many are silently losing faith in themselves, be willing to seek guidance and be willing to offer it to someone else.

Because no one grows alone, and no one succeeds entirely on their own.

Kotha Viritha
Psychology, Body Language, Human Behavior,
Psychology of languages from IIT Kanpur,

Dog's groin tumor removed.....

AD Dr. Pentayya who performed the operation and saved his life....
Kodada June 28 Metro Morning.....



Doctors at Kodada Regional Veterinary Hospital performed a rare surgery on a dog and successfully removed a cancerous tumor weighing more than a kilo from its groin. A dog came to a small trader's family from Garidepalli Mandal Center three months ago for shelter. It stayed with them, eating the rice they gave it. However, the owners noticed that there was a large tumor in its groin, which was causing it hell. Since local treatment was unsuccessful, the dog was brought to Kodada Veterinary Hospital on the advice of acquaintances. Assistant Director of the hospital Dr. P. Pentayya examined the dog and performed a very complicated operation while controlling its snoring problem. The cancerous tumor weighing more than a kilo from its groin was removed and it was freed from its suffering. The small businessman happily took the dog home after the operation was successful. Staff members Sai Krishna and Chandrakala participated in the treatment....



Polio drops should be administered to all children.....



Kodad June 28 Metro Morning.....

Sarpanch Gosula Rajesh inaugurated the Pulse Polio Drops Program in Chennakesavapuram village on Sunday. On this occasion, he administered polio drops to children under the age of five. Later, the Sarpanch asked all children under the age of five in the village to be administered polio drops and cooperate in a polio-free society.

As the monsoon season has started, he advised all people to be very careful about sanitation and keep their surroundings clean. He directed that the Health Department staff should be fully available in the village to prevent the spread of seasonal diseases. Deputy Sarpanch Katikala Pullaiah, ward members Pappula Upender, Pachigolla Swaroopa, RMP Dr. Kotha Upender, Anganwadi Teacher Bhagyamma, Asha Worker Shuklavathi and others participated in the program...

Former Students Felicitate Teachers at Lalapet Government High School Reunion



Hyderabad, metro udayam June 28: Alumni of the 1993-94 SSC batch of Lalapet Government High School (Gadi School) came together for a grand reunion on Sunday, rekindling cherished memories after nearly three decades. The event was marked by an emotional reunion as former classmates recalled their school days and renewed old friendships. On the occasion, the alumni felicitated their former teachers with shawls

and floral bouquets in recognition of their invaluable contribution to shaping their lives. Expressing their gratitude, the alumni said the discipline, values and education imparted by their teachers laid the foundation for their personal and professional success. They described the opportunity to honour their mentors and receive their blessings as one of the most memorable moments of their lives. Addressing the gathering, the teachers

expressed happiness and pride in seeing their former students excel in various fields. They wished the alumni continued success and urged them to remain committed to the values they had learnt during their school years. The reunion served as a celebration of the enduring bond between teachers and students while reviving fond memories of their time at the institution. Among those who coordinated and participated in the reunion were

Venkatesh Yadav, Balakrishna, Srinivas, Yadav, Krishna Rao, Satyanarayana, Nagaraju, Prakash, Mohan Chary, Venkateshwarlu, S. Ramesh, V. Mahesh, Ramchander, Rajender, Atreya, Balraj, Nagesh, Krishnamurthy, Baburao, Kishore, Venkat Reddy, Pawan, A. Mahesh, N. Kiran Kumar, Tirupati Reddy, B.S. Yadav, Bheerappa, Venugopal, Mohan and Y.B. Shashikanth, among others.

PV Narasimha Rao Remembered on His 105th Birth Anniversary

Hyderabad, metro udayam June 28: Rich tributes were paid to former Prime Minister and Bharat Ratna P.V. Narasimha Rao on the occasion of his 105th birth anniversary at the PV Ghat on Necklace Road here on Sunday. The commemorative programme witnessed the participation of members of the PV family, public representatives, senior journalists, social activists, representatives of various organisations and admirers, who offered floral tributes to the late statesman. P.V. Prabhakar Rao, Chairman of the PV Global Foundation, Chairman of the Telangana Youth Journalists Federation (TYJF)



Committee and son of the former Prime Minister, led the tributes by placing a floral wreath at the memorial. He was joined by Dr. Jitender Rao Tanugula, State President of the Telangana Youth Journalists Federation (TYJF), M. Hari Babu and several others. Speaking on the occasion, Prabhakar Rao said the

affection and respect that P.V. Narasimha Rao continues to receive from the people, even years after his demise, reflect his enduring legacy. He described Rao as the architect of India's economic reforms, whose visionary leadership laid the foundation for the country's transformation and long-term develop-

ment. He said Rao's ideals of integrity, selfless public service, administrative excellence and farsighted leadership remain relevant and should inspire younger generations. Several speakers recalled the former Prime Minister's remarkable contributions to economic liberalisation, education, foreign policy and governance. They observed that his role in shaping modern India would remain a landmark in the nation's history and continue to inspire future generations. The programme concluded with participants reaffirming their commitment to uphold and carry forward the ideals and vision of P.V. Narasimha Rao.

Former Mayor Jakka Venkat Reddy launched the Pulse Polio Program

Medipally June 28 (Metro udayam)

Former Mayor Jakka Venkat Reddy launched the Pulse Polio Program held on Sunday at the K a m a l a n a g a r Government Primary School in Peerjadiguda Division under Malkajgiri Municipal Corporation. Speaking on the occasion, he appealed to every child under the age of 5 to get the Pulse Polio drops and parents to take advantage of this program and get their children vaccinated.

He called on the government as well as the people to cooperate responsibly to completely eradicate a dangerous disease like polio.

He said that the Pulse Polio Program is crucial in building a healthy society and suggested that public representatives, medical staff, ASHA workers and parents should work in coordination to ensure that every child gets the polio drops.

Leaders Shyamala Srinivas, Venkat,



Pannabhai, Anganwadi teacher Ramadevi, ASHA worker Shakira and others participated in this program.

Hyderabad June:28 (Metro udayam)

As part of the pulse polio program for children under the age of five, former corporator of Himayat Nagar division Mahalakshmi Raman Goud participated in this program at various places in the division and administered polio drops to young children. Anganwadi teacher, doctor and Basti President Shiva Mudiraj, Congress leaders Sai, Jagadish and others participated in this program.



AP Home Minister Anitha lays stone for fish landing centres at Boyapadu and Dondavaka coasts

Home Minister Vangalapudi Anitha lays the foundation for new fish landing centers in Payakaraopeta. Discover how the government is driving development for Andhra's fisherfolk. Andhra Pradesh Home Minister Vangalapudi Anitha and R&B Minister BC Janardhan Reddy toured the Nakkapalli Mandal of the Payakaraopeta constituency. During the visit, the ministers laid the foundation stones for two proposed fish landing centers at the Boyapadu and Dondavaka coasts. Local fishermen expressed their gratitude to the alliance government and Home Minister Anitha for performing the ground-breaking ceremony for these centers. Following the foundation-laying ceremony, Home Minister Vangalapudi Anitha addressed a meeting in Boyapadu. She noted that the fishing community had been waiting for a jetty for several years. Anitha stated that out of the three fish landing centers sanctioned for Andhra Pradesh, two were secured for the Payakaraopeta constituency. She expressed her deep



affection for the fishermen of the constituency and recalled her past experience working as a teacher in a fishing village. She emphasized that the alliance government prioritizes both development and welfare, revealing that the constituency has seen development works worth approximately ₹600 crore over a two-year period. Anitha also mentioned that development works worth ₹100 crore were undertaken through the R&B Department. She recounted an incident where the people of Rajayyapeta village obstructed her; although the police suggested filing

cases against them, she insisted that no cases be registered against anyone. She remarked that political party affiliations are relevant only during elections, whereas development and welfare take precedence once the elections are over. She stated that a BC Welfare girls' hostel has been secured for the constituency and that a multi-specialty hospital will also be established. Noting that there are 9,000 fisherfolk families in the constituency, she revealed that foundation stones for development works worth ₹60 crore were laid on this day alone to benefit them. Anitha empha-

sized that the NDA government is prioritizing fisherfolk and their villages, ensuring their all-round development. Meanwhile, Minister BC Janardhan Reddy remarked, "Home Minister Anitha constantly focuses on the development of the Payakaraopeta constituency. Did the leaders of the 'Godali Party' (Axe Party) ever speak about development during their five-year tenure? Now, unable to tolerate the ongoing development, they are making reckless statements. We are accelerating development and welfare initiatives in AP. The previous administration had crippled all systems. These jetties will be immensely beneficial to thousands of fisherfolk families. Leaders of the 'Godali Party' are inciting discord among castes. In the past, they harassed Amaravati farmers in various ways, and now they are obstructing capital city construction works. That is precisely why the people reduced the YCP to just 11 seats and dealt them a crushing blow, denying them even the status of the main opposition party."

Leaders cutting across party lines in Telangana pay tributes to Narasimha Rao

Hyderabad: Leaders cutting across party lines in Telangana paid rich tributes to former Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao on his 105th birth anniversary on Sunday. Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, in a message, paid tributes to the former Prime Minister, acknowledging his "enduring contributions to the building of modern India". He hailed Narasimha Rao as a freedom fighter, a polyglot, and a visionary leader who ushered in economic reforms and steered the nation effectively through challenging times. The Chief Minister stated that the services and ideals of P.V. Narasimha Rao -- a beloved son of Telangana, a leader who made the nation proud, and a brilliant intellectual -- would always serve as an inspiration for future generations. Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) president Mahesh Kumar Goud called Narasimha Rao one of India's most visionary statesmen.

"A scholar, reformer, and transformative leader, his bold economic reforms in 1991 reshaped India's future and laid the foundation for a stronger, globally competitive nation. His wisdom, administrative excellence, and unwavering commitment to public service continue to inspire generations. Remembering his remarkable legacy with gratitude and respect," the state Congress chief posted on 'X'. Leaders of the ruling Congress, the opposition Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS), Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and family members of the late leader visited PV Gnana Bhoomi (PV Ghat) on the banks of Hussain Sagar Lake here to pay floral tributes. They recalled the services of the late leader, who was posthumously conferred the Bharat Ratna in 2024. Union Minister for Coal and Mines G. Kishan Reddy, former Haryana Governor Bandaru Dattatreya, state BJP president Ramchander Rao, Narasimha Rao's grandson and BJP leader N.V. Subhash were among those who visited PV Ghat.

Kishan Reddy said that Narasimha



Rao was a visionary who paved the way for economic reforms. "The initiative and vision he demonstrated as Prime Minister regarding economic and policy reforms paved the way for the nation's development. His role in building modern India is truly memorable," he said. BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao also paid rich tributes to Narasimha Rao, hailing him as a pioneer of economic reforms, a polyglot, and a statesman. "It is a matter of pride for all of us that P.V. Narasimha Rao - who steered the nation out of a massive crisis during a turbulent period - was born in Telangana," he said and recalled that the KCR government celebrated the centenary of Narasimha Rao on a grand scale. Rama Rao said the BRS government named the Veterinary University after him, renamed Necklace Road as 'P.V. Marg' and installed a towering statue of him to commemorate his enduring legacy.

State BJP president Ramchander

Rao stated that Narasimha Rao was a leader of immense intellect and foresight, and the great architect of India's economic reforms. He was the first Prime Minister from outside the Nehru-Gandhi family to complete a full five-year term in office. "However, the Congress's 'first family' could never come to terms with this; they believed that the right to the Prime Minister's office belonged solely to their family. That is why, even after completing his term as Prime Minister, P.V. Narasimha Rao did not receive the respect he deserved within the Congress party," he said. He alleged that Narasimha Rao's mortal remains were not even permitted to be kept at the Congress headquarters in Delhi for the public to pay their final respects. The Congress insulted P.V. Narasimha Rao, the architect of India's economic liberalisation and historic economic reform, and tried in every way to erase his legacy, the BJP leader said.

Telangana CM Revanth Reddy launches road development works under HAM



Chief Minister Revanth Reddy unveiled a pylon at the Kanagal AMC market yard premises to mark the launch of road development works under the Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM). The state government has taken another significant step towards road development in Telangana. During his visit to Nalgonda district, Chief Minister Revanth Reddy unveiled a pylon at the Kanagal AMC market yard premises to mark the launch of road development works under the Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM). He inaugurated massive road construction projects to be undertaken across the state at a cost of ₹13,006 crore. Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka, Legislative Council Chairman Gutta Sukhender Reddy, Ministers Uttam Kumar Reddy, Komatireddy Venkat Reddy, and Adhuri Laxman Kumar, along with MP Kunduru Raghuvier Reddy, MLAs Jaiveer Reddy, Balu Naik, and Bathula Laxma Reddy, MLC Nellikanti Satyam, and others, participated in the event. A total of 441 roads spanning 6,092 kilometers will be developed across the state in 34 packages using the Hybrid Annuity Mode. This project is expected to improve connectivity among major roads and accelerate the state's transportation system. The government anticipates that enhanced travel facilities between rural and urban areas will also boost economic activity. Additionally, the Chief Minister participated in a program at the Nagarjuna Government Degree College grounds and laid the foundation stone for Phase-1 of a drinking water scheme within the Nalgonda Municipal Corporation limits, estimated to cost ₹83 crore. These events, held as part of the tour of Nalgonda district, demonstrate the government's priority on expanding infrastructure across the state through the launch of key projects related to amenities such as roads and drinking water facilities.

Devotees influx increased at Yadagirigutta Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Temple



Yadagirigutta Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Temple witnesses a heavy surge of devotees this Sunday. Check current darshan wait times and temple activity updates for June 28, 2026. There is a heavy influx of devotees at the Yadagirigutta Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Temple. As Sunday is a holiday, a large number of devotees have flocked to the temple for a glimpse of the deity, creating a bustling atmosphere within the temple premises. Devotees have lined up in queues; the wait time is approximately two hours for free entry and one hour for special entry. Devotees are fulfilling their vows by participating in Arjitha Sevas (paid rituals) and daily worship services. A flurry of activity is evident at various locations, including the Nitya Kalyanam area, Laddu prasadam counters, the Satyanarayana Swamy Vrata Mandapam, the Kalyana Katta (tonsuring center) at the foothills, the Pushkarini (temple tank), and the vehicle parking areas.

TN: EPS demands probe into TRB assistant professor recruitment, seeks suspension of appointments



AIADMK leader Edappadi K. Palaniswami has demanded an independent probe into alleged irregularities in the Tamil Nadu TRB Assistant Professor recruitment. Citing arbitrary descriptive paper grading and skewed results, he has called for a suspension of the appointment process under the TVK-led government. AIADMK General Secretary and Tamil Nadu's Leader of Opposition Edappadi K. Palaniswami (EPS) on Sunday demanded a thorough and independent investigation into the alleged irregularities in the recruitment of Assistant Professors conducted by the Tamil Nadu Teachers Recruitment Board (TRB), urging the state government to suspend the appointment process until the inquiry is completed. In a strongly-worded statement, Palaniswami said the allegations surrounding the recently announced recruitment results had raised serious concerns over the transparency and fairness of the selection process. He called upon the Tamil Nadu Vettri Kazhagam (TVK)-led state government to intervene immediately to protect the interests of deserving candidates and restore public confidence in the recruitment system.

Referring to media reports and complaints from candidates, the AIADMK leader questioned the evaluation process adopted by the TRB, particularly the marking of the descriptive examination. He pointed to an instance in which a candidate who had secured a perfect score of 100 marks in the objective examination was reportedly awarded zero in the descriptive paper. "How can a candidate who scored 100 marks in the objective paper receive zero in the descriptive paper?" Palaniswami asked, saying that such a disparity indicated a lack of uniformity and consistency in the evaluation process. He alleged that the recruitment exercise had unfairly disadvantaged several meritorious candidates while benefiting others who had secured comparatively lower marks. According to Palaniswami, the reported discrepancies had cast a shadow over the credibility of the entire selection process and warranted immediate corrective action.

The former Chief Minister also demanded that the recruitment process be cancelled if the allegations were found to be true. He insisted that an independent agency should conduct a comprehensive inquiry into the complaints to determine whether any malpractice or manipulation had occurred during the evaluation and selection stages. Palaniswami also urged the state government to keep all recruitment and appointment procedures on hold until the investigation was completed and a transparent review of the results was carried out. He said only a fair and impartial inquiry could ensure justice for candidates who had appeared for the examination in the hope of securing teaching positions in government colleges. Stressing that recruitment to public service must be based solely on merit and transparency, the AIADMK leader said the state government had a responsibility to safeguard the integrity of the selection process and ensure that only genuinely eligible candidates were appointed as Assistant Professors.

Revanth Reddy provoking Muslims against SIR, alleges Kishan Reddy

Hyderabad: Union Coal Minister G Kishan Reddy on Saturday alleged that Telangana Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy was making comments aimed at provoking Muslims, disturbing law and order and disrupting the ongoing SIR in the state. City & Local Guides He also accused the AIMIM of "threatening" BLOs in the old city of Hyderabad against carrying out household surveys and alleged that Congress and BRS were supporting the Asaduddin Owaisi-led party. Speaking to reporters here, he said, "The Congress government and Chief Minister himself are trying to threaten. At a recent meeting of Muslims, (he said) if you don't take precautions, you will lose your votes... An attempt was made to provoke Muslims. The Chief Minister himself is attempting to disturb law and order, hurt SIR process and to link it with religion."

Rohingyas and people from Pakistan and Bangladesh possess voter ID cards, PDS ration cards and other documents in Hyderabad, but the non-BJP parties have remained



silent on the issue, he alleged. According to him, there are Rohingyas and double votes in many residential colonies in Hyderabad and it is the responsibility of the Election Commission to address such issues. The SIR process should not be stopped despite some parties making false allegations against the Election Commission. Though the SIR is carried out by the Telangana government employees, he alleged that the CM, Congress and BRS are "spreading false information" over the exercise as they do not trust the staff. "In the old city, the

AIMIM is trying to threaten BLOs, saying you should not visit houses and take up survey of houses. (AIMIM says) we will give you the filled up forms, you should not remove any votes. They are into this during the last four months. Congress, BRS are fully cooperating in this," Kishan Reddy said.

Asserting that the SIR would not be conducted as per the wishes of AIMIM, he said if the state government threatened employees at the behest of AIMIM, the BJP would stand by them. The ruling Congress and BRS try to win over the support of AIMIM and Revanth

Reddy had made comments like 'Congress means Muslims and Muslims mean Congress' and described himself as 'Revanth Uddin', he said. Referring to comments of Congress leaders that SIR was used to defeat non-BJP parties in West Bengal and Bihar, Kishan Reddy sought to know why such remarks are not made about SIR held in Kerala and Tamil Nadu. He also charged the non-BJP parties with "trying to gain political mileage" by creating unnecessary doubts in the minds of people about Election Commission. CM Revanth Reddy on June 24 warned of strict action if any ruling Congress leader was found not following the party instructions in implementing the SIR campaign. Participating in a video conference on SIR (Special Intensive Revision) with party leaders, the chief minister instructed the ministers, MLAs, MPs and constituency in-charges to be extra vigilant in the electoral exercise following reports of deletion of genuine voters' names from the voters list. ---

Kurnool maps over 3.52 lakh children for 3-day pulse polio drive; 1,630 booths activated

Kurnool: The district administration has appealed to parents to ensure that every child below the age of five receives Pulse Polio drops during the three-day immunization campaign scheduled from June 28 to 30. Joint Collector Noorul Qamar said the success of the programme depends on public participation and stressed that universal immunization is vital to achieving a polio-free society. He flagged off a Pulse Polio awareness rally at the Collectorate on Saturday. The Joint Collector said the campaign would be conducted in three phases across the district. On June 28, polio drops will be administered at 1,630 Pulse Polio booths, while medical teams will visit households

on June 29 and 30 to vaccinate children who miss the first day. He noted that the government is implementing the programme with the goal of completely eradicating polio and ensuring that no eligible child is left uncovered.

According to officials, Kurnool district has 3,52,164 children below five years of age, all of whom are targeted under the campaign. The programme is being carried out through the coordinated efforts of the Health Department and other government agencies. Noorul Qamar directed officials to closely monitor the drive and ensure 100 per cent coverage throughout the district. A large awareness rally was organised from the Collectorate



to the Government Medical College, with the participation of officials, doctors, health workers, ASHA workers, students and staff from various departments. The Joint Collector urged parents to take their children to the nearest Pulse Polio booth on June 28 and

called upon citizens to join hands in making Kurnool a completely polio-free district. In-charge DMHO Dr Bhaskar, Immunization Officer Dr Umadevi and other officials attended the programme. -----

Parts of Telangana to receive heavy rains on Sunday and Monday

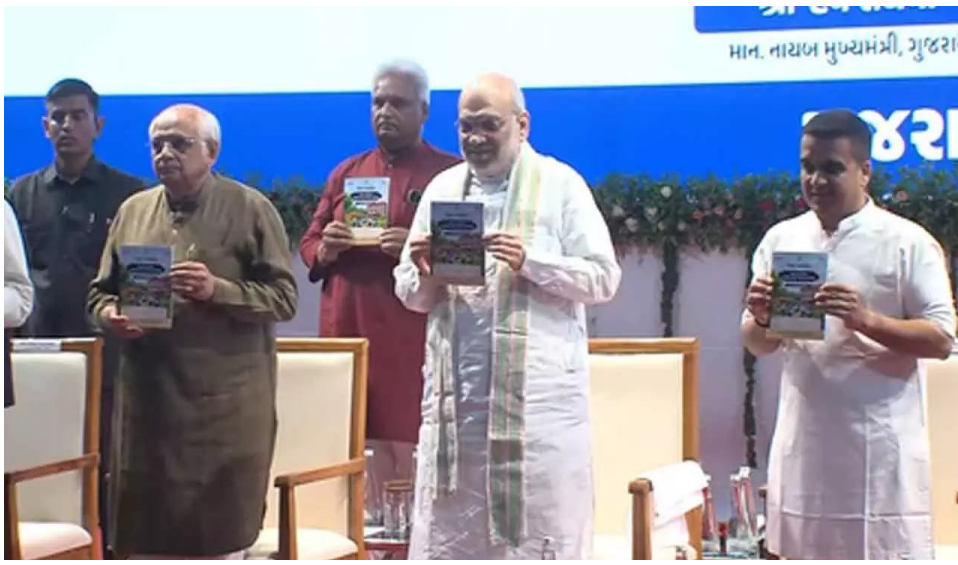
The Meteorological Department has forecast heavy rains for Sunday and Monday in the districts of Adilabad. The Meteorological Department has forecast heavy rains for Sunday and Monday in the districts of Adilabad, Nirmal, Nizamabad, Jagtial, Rajanna Sircilla, Nalgonda, Suryapet, Mahabubabad, Warangal, Hanamkonda, Medak, Kamareddy, Mahabubnagar, Nagarkurnool, Bhadrachalam, Kothagudem, Mulugu, and Jayashankar Bhupalpally. Meanwhile, rainfall occurred in several districts of the state on Saturday. Maripeda in Mahabubabad district recorded 8 cm of rainfall. Government Other recorded figures include 6.6 cm in Metpally (Jagtial district), 5.8 cm in Karimnagar Rural (Karimnagar district), 5.6 cm in Mukundapuram (Suryapet district), and 5.3 cm in Ramayampet (Medak district).



HM Amit Shah launches pilot project of PM Family Care Tracker, Health Passports in Gujarat

Union Home Minister Amit Shah has launched the PM Family Care Tracker (PM-FCT) pilot project in Gandhinagar, Gujarat. This integrated digital platform tracks health, nutrition, and education for children from pregnancy until age 18. Discover how this "Health Passport" initiative aims to revolutionize welfare delivery. Executive Branch Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah on Sunday launched the pilot phase of the PM Family Care Tracker (PM-FCT) and Health Passports in Gujarat, marking the rollout of an integrated digital platform designed to track the health, nutrition and education of children from pregnancy until the age of 18 years. The pilot project has been introduced in Gandhinagar and integrates data from the Health Department, Women and Child Development Department and Education Department through a single digital platform. The system links health records through the Poshan Tracker and education data through the Child Tracking Portal (CTS), assigning every mother and child a unique digital identity using ABHA and the Birth Registration Number. Addressing the gathering, Gujarat Health Minister Praful Pansheriya said the project had been launched under HM Shah's guidance by bringing together the three departments to create an integrated digital system.

"Under his guidance, this project is being launched today. It is



through his vision that the Gujarat Health Department, the Women and Child Development Department, and the Education Department have been brought together so that data from all three departments can be integrated, and we are launching the PM Family Care Tracker Pilot Project from here," he said. Pansheriya said Gujarat would work to make the initiative a successful model for the rest of the country. "Today, Amit Shah has reposed his trust in the Gujarat Health Department, and with your inspiration, we are launching this pilot project in Gandhinagar. We assure you that not only Gandhinagar but the entire state of Gujarat will establish this as a successful pilot project for the whole of India," he said. Government Describing the initiative, the minister said it was intended to ensure continuous monitoring of children's development and

healthcare.

"This is not merely a digital platform but one driven by emotions and concern, ensuring that not a single child is deprived of any vaccine. For the holistic development of women and children, a card will be created for every child from an early age. It will contain details up to the age of 18 years, including information on hereditary diseases, other illnesses, treatments, and all related medical records," he said. Referring to the statewide Pulse Polio campaign that also began on Sunday, Pansheriya said, "Today, as we administer the two drops of the polio vaccine to children and begin this three-day campaign across Gujarat, we remember with pride that India has remained polio-free since 2007." He also highlighted the role of public healthcare during the COVID-19 pandemic, saying, "Even during the COVID

pandemic, every government hospital provided treatment to all people. With disciplined efforts and the creation of the best possible infrastructure, treatment was made available even to the poorest and most vulnerable individuals."

On the objective of the PM-FCT, he added, "Today, when vaccines are administered for the prevention of 11 serious diseases, this entire project aims to ensure that there is not a single lapse and that not even one child is left behind." South Asians & Diaspora The minister said the Health Department would treat the initiative as a long-term commitment rather than an experiment. "We will not treat this merely as an experiment but will carry forward the inspiration you have given us with dedication and compassion, reaching every person in line with the spirit of 'Antyodaya'," he said. During the programme, HM Shah also distributed welfare kits under schemes of the Women and Child Development Department. These included Anganwadi admission kits, preschool kits and nutritional support kits for children and pregnant women.

An Anganwadi admission kit and preschool kit were presented to three-year-old Ayushi Bajaniya following her enrolment at an Anganwadi centre. Riyanshi Thakor, who had earlier been identified as underweight, received nutritional support

under the Balshakti scheme after treatment through Poshan Sangam, including take-home rations. Pregnant beneficiary Hina Chauhan received a kit under the 'Chief Minister Matrushakti Yojana' containing four packets of nutritional supplements, one kilogram of tinned dal, two kilograms of gram and one litre of fortified groundnut oil. Executive Branch According to the programme, eligible beneficiaries receive such kits every month during the first pregnancy for a period of two years. According to the state government, the PM Family Care Tracker allows real-time monitoring of every stage of maternal and child development, including pre-pregnancy services, maternal care, newborn and infant healthcare, immunisation, nutrition, growth monitoring, school enrolment, attendance and adolescent health services. The platform also provides automated alerts and follow-up mechanisms to ensure that beneficiaries receive services on time while offering real-time dashboards at the state, district and taluka levels for planning and decision-making. "The platform aims to facilitate early identification of at-risk children, timely intervention and improved delivery of health, nutrition and education services, and is expected to contribute towards the goals of Viksit Gujarat @2047 and Viksit Bharat @2047," officials added.

'Mirzapur: The Movie' teaser unveiled; iconic OTT franchise enters big screen era

The wait is finally over as the teaser of Mirzapur: The Movie has dropped, marking a major cinematic expansion of one of India's most popular crime dramas. The project brings the gritty underworld of Mirzapur from OTT to theatres for the first time, promising a bigger, darker, and more explosive storytelling experience. Set within the established timeline that began with Season 1 in 2018, the film continues the saga with an untold chapter designed exclusively for the big screen. Slated for a grand theatrical release on 4th September 2026, the movie is set to elevate the franchise's signature "bhaukaal" to a nationwide cinematic scale. The teaser reunites audiences with key



characters played by Ali Fazal, Pankaj Tripathi, and Divyenndu, while introducing Jitendra Kumar as Bablu Pandit, reviving a fan-favourite presence in a fresh narrative arc. The intensity further escalates with the addition of Ravi

Kishan, who brings a powerful new layer to the expanding Mirzapur universe. The film's ensemble cast also includes Abhishek Banerjee, Rasika Dugal, Shweta Tripathi, Shriya Pilgaonkar, Harshita

Shekhar Gaur, Sheeba Chadha, Rajesh Tailang, Mohitt Maalik, Pramod Pathak, and Sonal S Chauhan, collectively building a multi-layered narrative that stretches from the streets of Purvanchal to the deserts of Rajasthan. Backed by Amazon MGM Studios and Excel Entertainment, the film is directed by Gurmeet Singh and written by Puneet Krishna, with production led by Ritesh Sidhwani and Farhan Akhtar under Excel Entertainment. With its expansion into theatres, Mirzapur: The Movie is set to redefine the crime saga experience, releasing in both Hindi and Telugu, and aiming to bring its raw intensity and cult appeal to a wider audience.

Asst collector Suyash attends GATES college graduation day



Gooty: GATES College hosted its second Graduation Day for MBA and MCA students on Saturday. Anantapur Assistant Collector Suyash Kumar (IAS) and JNTU Professor Dr G Prasanthi attended as chief guests, presenting degrees to the passing-out batches in front of proud families. Assistant Collector Kumar urged the graduates to pursue higher research and adopt entrepreneurship to transform into job creators. The management congratulated college toppers Shaik Abbas (MBA) and Reshma Tabassum (MCA). Correspondent VK Padmavathamma, Director Sri Vani, MD Raghunatha Reddy, and Principal Dr Namratha supervised the event.

Film & TV Directory and Digital Media Awards

The 8th edition of the Film & TV Directory and Digital Media Awards was held in grand style, bringing together leading personalities from the film, television, digital and social media industries under one roof. Organized by VB Entertainment under the leadership of Vishnu Boppana, the event celebrated the achievements of content creators and industry professionals who have made significant contributions across multiple platforms. A major highlight of the evening was the unveiling of the Film & TV Directory by veteran producer K.S. Rama Rao, who formally presented the publication to noted film personalities

Tammareddy Bharadwaja and Ambika Krishna. Several distinguished guests, including K.S. Rama Rao, Tammareddy Bharadwaja, Ambika Krishna and Madala Ravi, later honoured achievers from the entertainment and digital sectors with awards. Addressing the gathering, the speakers emphasized the growing influence of social and digital media in shaping public opinion and society. They encouraged creators to focus on informative, constructive and socially responsible content while discouraging negativity, misinformation and unnecessary trolling. The guests also highlighted the expanding

opportunities available to content creators in the age of Artificial Intelligence and evolving digital technologies, urging influencers to adapt to changing trends while maintaining ethical standards. Speaking on the occasion, organizer Vishnu Boppana expressed gratitude to the chief guests, award recipients, media partners and sponsors for their support in making the event a grand success. The event received strong support from several sponsors, contributing to its successful execution and growing reputation as a platform that recognizes excellence in the digital content ecosystem.



PV Sindhu and Indian contingent eye historic campaign for home BWF World Championships

The countdown is on! New Delhi prepares to host the 30th BWF World Championships from August 17-23, 2026. Join the excitement as 800+ elite players from over 55 countries descend on the Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium for badminton's biggest title. With 50 days to go until the BWF World Championships 2026 in New Delhi, the Badminton Association of India (BAI) on Sunday began the official countdown to badminton's biggest tournament. Scheduled from August 17-23 at the Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium, the Championships will feature participation from over 55+ countries with nearly 800 players, team officials, support staff, technical officials, media, etc, marking the event's return to India after 17 years and its first-ever staging in the national capital. BAI President, Himanta Biswa Sarma, described the return of the BWF World Championships as a defining moment. "The BWF World Championships is an opportunity to celebrate the remarkable progress of Indian badminton, showcase India's capability to deliver a world-class sporting event, and reinforce our commitment to building a stronger sporting ecosystem. It also reflects the growing confidence of the international sporting community in India's ability to host events of the highest standard."

The 30th edition of the Championships will bring together the world's elite across all five disciplines: Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, and Mixed Doubles. "I am confident this Championship will leave a lasting legacy for badminton, inspire many more young Indians to dream big, and further strengthen our journey towards becoming a leading



sporting nation," he added. Returning to the host role as an established force, India welcomes the global elite on the heels of an unprecedented golden era. Since 2011, India has won at least one medal at every single edition of the BWF World Championships, amassing 14 medals across 11 consecutive editions, a record in consistency matched only by China Two-time Olympic and five-time World Championships medalist PV Sindhu, whose historic 2019 Basel gold remains the centrepiece of India's World Championship legacy, expressed her excitement for the home tournament. "The World Championships have been one of the most special tournaments of my career. Some of my most memorable

moments, toughest lessons and proudest achievements have come on this stage. To have the opportunity to play the World Championships in India, in front of our own fans, makes it even more meaningful. It's not often that you get to compete for a world title at home, and I'm really looking forward to experiencing that atmosphere and giving my best for everyone who has supported me through the years. For Indian badminton, hosting the World Championships after 17 years is a landmark moment and a reflection of how far the sport has come in our country. It's a proud occasion for all of us, and I'm excited to be part of an event that I hope inspires many more young players to dream big and believe that they can suc-

ceed on the world stage," said Sindhu.

For India's current generation of superstars, playing a World Championship in front of a home crowd is a historic first. "Indian badminton is at a very exciting stage in its journey. Across the international circuit, we are seeing our young players consistently making breakthroughs, while our experienced athletes continue to compete with the world's best and regularly reach the latter stages of major tournaments. That depth and consistency are clear indicators of how far the sport has progressed in our country. Hosting the BWF World Championships at this moment is both a recognition of India's growing stature in world badminton and an opportunity to build on that momentum. Beyond the competition, the Championships will inspire a new generation of young Indians to pick up a racquet, dream bigger and help shape the future of Indian badminton," said Sanjay Mishra, General Secretary, Badminton Association of India. The grid assembling in New Delhi represents the absolute pinnacle of badminton. South Korea's reigning Olympic champion An Se-young headlines the women's singles field, while China's Shi Yu Qi and Thailand's Kunlavut Vitidsarn spearhead a highly competitive Men's Singles line-up. The action is equally intense in the doubles divisions, which feature a world-class field including Malaysia's former world champions Aaron Chia and Soh Wooi Yik alongside Indonesia's top-tier pairings. With traditional powerhouses Japan, Thailand, and Denmark also deploying their strongest squads, the tournament is primed to deliver a premium sporting spectacle.

Shedge, Prince handed debut caps as India elect to bowl against unchanged Ireland

India looks to level the series against Ireland in the 2nd T20I at Stormont, Belfast. Catch all the live action as debutants Suryansh Shedge and Prince Yadav join captain Shreyas Iyer's side in this crucial must-win clash. Suryansh Shedge and Prince Yadav were handed their maiden caps as India won the toss and elected to bowl first against an unchanged Ireland in the second T20I at the Civil Service Cricket Club in Stormont on Sunday. India needs to win Sunday's game to square the two-match series after losing the opening game by 34 runs – which also marked their first-ever loss to Ireland in international cricket. After winning the toss, India captain Shreyas Iyer said Shedge and Prince come in for Washington Sundar and Prasidh Krishna in the playing eleven. "Shedge is a powerful, destructive batter. Yes, he's a sensational youngster who has been scoring runs in domestic cricket and also in the IPL. He's got a tremendous amount of experience in youth cricket. So definitely he's performed in the A tours and reaping the benefits.

"Definitely it's Prince's first game, so I don't want to



put him under that much pressure. It's important that he comes out here and gains the experience out of what is there to offer. He must have seen the match (on Friday), how we played in the previous game. So definitely he's smart enough to adapt to it," he said. Iyer also said his decision to bowl first was also due to the weather conditions. "It can pour any time, so we want to maximize the advantage of it. The trend is it's just important to adapt to the conditions as quickly as possible. And they were pretty smart in terms of making bowling changes and also scoring off the back foot and front foot, clearing right in the front. "So it's important that we play smart cricket rather than having a set pattern and see to it that we back our instincts as well at the same time. Yes, it was a bit

different, but coming back to the international, it was my first game after a very long time. We've got many experienced players in the team who have played a considerable amount of matches. So it was just a day off for us and I'm looking forward to having a good one today."

Ireland skipper Lorcan Tucker said he was happy to be batting first. "We want to get a good read on the pitch as quickly as possible. Hopefully it plays pretty similarly today. I think it might just be about getting a good read on the pitch as quickly as possible, assessing what their bowlers are trying to do. "We know they tried to hammer their hard lengths pretty early, and they had good success doing it the other day. But I think it's time to come back, adapt, learn from the other day,

and hopefully have a slightly better go and get in the power play." On what pleased him the most about Ireland's performance in the first game, Tucker explained, "I think the way we put it together in the second innings, the way we shut them down. There were very long periods without boundaries, I think we were able to really dig in, put them under pressure, and the fact we were able to close out the game when they had some big hitters towards the end was exceptional. "Matthew, he's fine. He's a tough lad, so we know he's willing to get out here and play again. We know Harry's a spectacular player. I think 100 (T20I) caps is a testament to all the work he's done and the player he is, so we know he will come good today." Playing XIs: India: Abhishek Sharma, Sanju Samson (wk), Ishan Kishan, Shreyas Iyer (captain), Tilak Varma, Shivam Dube, Suryansh Shedge, Axar Patel, Harshit Rana, Arshdeep Singh, and Prince Yadav History Ireland: Tim Tector, Ross Adair, Harry Tector, Lorcan Tucker (captain & wk), Benjamin Calitz, Gareth Delany, George Dockrell, Liam McCarthy, Matthew Humphreys, Jai Moondra, and Matthew Holland

We're looking to win it and level the series, says India vice-captain Tilak Varma



India vice-captain Tilak Varma said the team was determined to bounce back from the opening defeat and level the three-match series against Ireland in the second game, while adding that his new role in the leadership group has been both a privilege and responsibility. India will be desperate to bounce back in Sunday's second T20I against Ireland after suffering a 34-run defeat in the opening match at the Civil Service Cricket Club in Stormont. It was also India's first-ever loss to Ireland in international cricket. "It feels really good. At the same time, it's a responsibility. As I've already captained in the age-group categories and recently led an India A side, whatever inputs I have, I'm sharing them on the field. "Even in the last match, I shared whatever little I could as vice-captain. But unfortunately, the result didn't go our way. Hopefully, we've got another match now, and we're looking to win it and level the series," said Tilak in a pre-game chat with the broadcasters. For Sunday's game, India have handed debuts to seam-bowling all-rounder Suryansh Shedge and pacer Prince Yadav, who had great IPL 2026 seasons for Punjab Kings and Lucknow Super Giants respectively. Prince had made his ODI debut against Afghanistan earlier this month. Reflecting on the team's discussions after the disappointing performance, Tilak, who made 19 in the first game, stated, "We haven't spoken too much about it because it's just one match. At the same time, we've gone back to our basics. We're following our basics and continuing to play the fearless T20 cricket that we've been playing for so many years. "One match doesn't define this team. So whatever confidence you have - whether it's about hitting the very first ball or going for a wicket with your very first ball - you can back yourself and play fearless cricket," he added.