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Amazon Data Center at Bharat Future City expected to boost global investments, job creation, and Telangana’s long-term economic growth



Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post : Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy invited global technology giant Amazon to expand its presence in Telangana and invest Rs 1 lakh crore by 2034, stating that the company's growth would accelerate investments and transform Bharat Future City into a world-class technology and innovation hub. He made the remarks while attending the groundbreaking ceremony for Amazon's new Data Center at Bharat Future City on Tuesday. The Chief Minister said the Amazon Data Center would act as a catalyst for attracting more global companies and industries to the upcoming Future City. Referring to the

Telangana Rising Global Summit 2025, which brought together representatives from over 3,000 companies across 108 countries, he reiterated the government's vision of making Telangana a \$1 trillion economy by 2034 and a \$3 trillion economy by 2047, while contributing significantly to India's Viksit Bharat 2047 mission. Revanth Reddy said the state has adopted the CURE, PURE, and RARE development model to ensure balanced and sustainable growth. Stressing that employment generation remains a key priority, he

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Kishan Reddy Welcomes Centre’s Rs 1.51 Lakh Crore Urea Subsidy for 2025-26

Union Minister says Telangana farmers will benefit as Modi government continues fertilizer subsidy to reduce input costs



New Delhi, July 15 – The Journalist Post: Union Coal and Mines Minister G. Kishan Reddy welcomed the Union Cabinet's decision to continue the urea subsidy scheme for the 2025-26 financial year with an outlay of ₹1,51,709 crore, describing it as another major step by the Narendra Modi-led government towards strengthening farmers' welfare. Expressing gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Kishan Reddy said the

decision would benefit crores of farmers across the country, including those in Telangana, by ensuring affordable fertilizers despite global economic challenges and rising input costs. The Union Minister

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Congress Betrayed OBCs From Nehru to Rahul Gandhi: BJP State President N. Ramchander Rao



BJP leader makes remarks at Hyderabad book launch, accuses Congress of neglecting OBC welfare and calls for ‘Congress-mukt Telangana’

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: Telangana BJP State President N. Ramchander Rao alleged that the Congress party and the Gandhi family have consistently failed the interests of Other Backward Classes (OBCs) from the time of Jawaharlal Nehru to Rahul Gandhi. He made the remarks while launching the book "What Did the Congress and the Gandhi Family Do for OBCs?", authored by writer Suravaram Srinivas, in Hyderabad. Addressing the gathering, Ramchander Rao alleged that the Congress had historically opposed reservations and treated backward classes as a vote bank with-

out ensuring their social and economic advancement. Referring to historical records and parliamentary debates, he claimed that Congress leaders had opposed OBC reservation policies and questioned the party's approach towards caste-based welfare. The BJP leader further alleged that the Congress had diverted benefits intended for backward classes through policies aimed at vote-bank politics. He contrasted this with the Narendra Modi-led Central Government, stating that the BJP had strengthened the constitutional status of the National Commission for Backward Classes and introduced reservation for

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Bonalu Reflects Telangana’s Rich Cultural Heritage: Minister Konda Surekha



File Photo

Ashada Bonalu celebrations begin July 16 with ₹20 crore government support; over 3,000 temples prepared for grand festivities

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: State Minister for Forests, Environment and Endowments Konda Surekha said the Ashada Bonalu festival is a vibrant symbol of Telangana's centuries-old cultural heritage, traditions, and communal harmony, extending her greetings to the people of the state ahead of

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Telangana DGP Announces Zero Tolerance Policy on Drugs in Educational Institutions



Anti-Drug & Safety Committees, Campus Safety Coordinators to be introduced across schools and colleges

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post : Telangana Director General of Police (DGP) C.V. Anand, IPS, has announced a Zero Tolerance Policy against drugs in educational institutions, stating that the government is committed to making schools, colleges, and uni-

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BRS Demands Probe Into CM Revanth Reddy’s Alleged Dual Voter Registration



RS Praveen Kumar seeks annulment of Kodangal election, calls for Election Commission inquiry and legal action

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: BRS General Secretary Dr. R.S. Praveen Kumar on Tuesday alleged that Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy was registered as a voter in two constituencies and demanded that the Election Commission of India conduct an immediate inquiry into the matter. Addressing a press conference at Telangana Bhavan, he called for the annulment of the 2023 Kodangal Assembly election if any violations were established. Praveen Kumar alleged that Revanth Reddy's name appeared in the electoral rolls of both Kodangal Assembly constituency and Kondareddypalli village in Vangur Mandal. Citing provisions of the Representation of the People Act, 1950 and 1951, he claimed that multiple voter registrations violate electoral law and called upon the State Chief Electoral Officer to register a case and initiate legal proceedings after due inquiry. He questioned the process through which one of the alleged voter registrations was removed and sought clarification on whether the prescribed procedures, including the filing of the required forms, had been followed. He also demanded that the Election Commission explain the sequence of events and verify the official records. The BRS leader criticized what he described as inconsistent standards in the handling of electoral matters and questioned why a clarification

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Bonalu: Celebrating Faith, Culture and Unity



Bonalu is more than a religious festival—it is a vibrant celebration of Telangana's rich cultural identity, traditions, and community spirit. The festival reflects the people's deep faith in Goddess Mahankali while showcasing the state's unique heritage through colorful processions, folk performances, and collective participation. Beyond devotion, Bonalu strengthens social harmony by bringing together people from different backgrounds in celebration. As lakhs of devotees participate this season, it is equally important to ensure cleanliness, public safety, and environmental responsibility. Preserving the true spirit of Bonalu means honoring both tradition and civic responsibility, ensuring this cherished festival continues to inspire future generations.



the celebrations beginning on July 16. The Minister stated that Bonalu is not merely a religious festival but a grand cultural celebration that reflects the spirit and identity of Telangana. She described the festival as a symbol of the state's Ganga-Jamuna Tehzeeb, representing harmony among diverse communities and showcasing Telangana's composite culture. Announcing that all arrangements have been completed, Konda Surekha said the celebrations will be conducted across more than 3,000 temples in Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Ranga Reddy, and Medchal-Malkajgiri districts under the supervision of the Endowments Department. The festivities will commence on July 16 with the offering of the first Bonam to Sri Jagadambika Mahankali Temple, Golconda, and conclude on August 13 with the traditional Ghatam immersion following the Bonam offering at the Akkanna Madanna Mahankali Temple, HariBowli.

The Minister thanked Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy for sanctioning Rs 20 crore to organize the Bonalu celebrations on a grand scale. She also appreciated the coordinated efforts of various government departments in ensuring smooth arrangements for the festival, which is expected to attract lakhs of devotees from across Telangana. Konda Surekha directed officials to work in close coordination to maintain public safety, traffic management, sanitation, drinking water supply, and other essential services throughout the festivities. Expressing hope for the state's prosperity, the Minister prayed that the blessings of Goddess Mahankali would bring abundant rainfall, end drought-like conditions, and ensure a prosperous agricultural season for Telangana's farmers.

CM Revanth Invites Amazon to Invest Rs 1 Lakh Crore in Telangana by 2034



assured investors that the government would provide world-class infrastructure, speedy clearances, and continuous support. He also announced that a dedicated monthly review meeting would monitor Amazon's investment projects in Telangana. Highlighting Hyderabad's emergence as a global investment destination, the Chief Minister outlined several initiatives to create a cleaner and more sustainable city. These include converting three lakh RTC buses into electric vehicles, retrofitting nearly two lakh diesel auto-rickshaws into electric vehicles, expanding the Metro Rail network, rejuvenating the Musi River, and relocating polluting industries outside the city. He added that the establishment of the Young India Skill University would help prepare a skilled workforce for future industries. The Chief Minister also thanked farmers for cooperating in land acquisition for the Regional Ring Road and radial road projects. He directed officials to resolve pending issues, ensure fair compensation, and provide employment opportunities to families that lost land for development projects. He instructed IT and Industries Minister D. Sridhar Babu and former MLA K. Laxma Reddy to hold discussions with protesting farmers and address their concerns while ensuring inclusive development.

BRS Begins Preparations for July 18 'Yuva Sangrama Sabha' at Saroornagar

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: The Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) has intensified preparations for its proposed "Yuva Sangrama Sabha" scheduled to be held at Saroornagar Stadium on July 18, aimed at highlighting issues concerning unemployed youth and demanding the implementation of election promises made by the Congress government. As part of the preparations, party leaders performed a ceremonial groundbreaking to mark the commencement of stage construction at the venue. Former ministers Talasani Srinivas Yadav and Sabitha Indra Reddy, along with LB Nagar MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy, MLAs Bandaru Lakshma Reddy, Mutha Gopal, Shambipur Raju, Ragidi Lakshma Reddy, and other senior leaders inspected the arrangements. The leaders reviewed stage construction, parking facilities, public entry points, and security arrangements, while offering suggestions to the organizing committees to ensure smooth conduct of the event. Speaking on the occasion, BRS leaders appealed to party workers to make the Yuva Sangrama Sabha a grand success and stated that the meeting would amplify the concerns of unemployed youth. They reiterated their demand for the Congress government to fulfill the commitments made to young people during the Assembly election campaign. Several party leaders, public representatives, and activists participated in the inspection and preparatory activities.



Congress Betrayed OBCs From Nehru to Rahul Gandhi: BJP State President N. Ramchander Rao

Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) without affecting existing reservation categories. Ramchander Rao also accused the Congress of creating divisions among communities for political gains and maintained that reservations should be based on identifying and uplifting genuinely backward sections through socio-economic measures. Calling on the people of Telangana to support the BJP, he urged voters to work towards creating a "Congress-mukt Telangana", alleging that the Congress had failed to protect the interests and self-respect of backward classes. The event was attended by BJP leaders, party workers, and supporters.

Telangana to Launch 'Indiramma LIG Housing' Scheme in QUAR Area on July 20

Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy announced that the government has granted administrative approval to construct one lakh LIG houses in phases during the 2026–27 financial year. Chairing a review meeting with Housing Department officials at the Secretariat, the Minister said the initiative reflects Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy's commitment to fulfilling the housing aspirations of the urban poor. The government will begin the programme with a pilot phase, constructing 500 houses in each constituency, with the number increasing to 1,000 houses where required based on local conditions. The Minister stated that detailed guidelines, including eligibility criteria, application procedures, implementation modalities, and the tendering process, will be announced at the scheme's official launch. Ministers Ponnampaluri Prabhakar, Duddilla Sridhar Babu, and Mohammed Azharuddin will also participate in the announcement. Criticising the previous BRS government's double-bedroom housing programme, Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy said many projects were built far from Hyderabad city, making them unsuitable for beneficiaries due to concerns over employment, education, healthcare, and transportation. In contrast, the present government plans to construct LIG housing on government land located within beneficiaries' own constituencies, ensuring easy access to workplaces, schools, hospitals, and public transport. He added that the government has already identified and taken possession of suitable lands across Hyderabad, Cyberabad, and Medchal-Malkajgiri municipal limits. The final project blueprint, including the number of dwelling units, building design, floor structure, and layout, will be finalized within the next two to three days after discussions with the Chief Minister. The Minister said the project is designed not only to provide quality housing but also to ensure long-term financial security for beneficiary families by granting ownership rights and a share in valuable urban land. The government expressed confidence that the Indiramma LIG Housing Scheme would transform the lives of thousands of economically weaker urban families while promoting inclusive urban development.

Government to Develop Government Schools on Par with Corporate Institutions: Sridhar Babu



Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: Telangana IT and Industries Minister D. Sridhar Babu on Wednesday said the State government is committed to transforming government schools into institutions that can compete with corporate educational establishments by strengthening infrastructure, promoting innovation, and improving the quality of education. Speaking after inaugurating the Foundation for Democratic Reforms (FDR) Science Centre at the ZP Girls' High School, Alwal, in Medchal-Malkajgiri district, the Minister said the government is giving top priority to the education and healthcare sectors while encouraging scientific thinking and creativity among students. Sridhar Babu stated that Telangana is creating a robust ecosystem to nurture innovation by enabling students and young innovators to transform ideas into practical solutions with societal impact. He highlighted the role of institutions such as T-Hub, T-Works, and WE-Hub in supporting startups, innovators, and entrepreneurs across the State. Emphasising the importance of scientific inquiry, the Minister urged students to cultivate a questioning mindset, explore new ideas, and develop solutions to real-world challenges. He said innovation and skill development are essential for preparing students to succeed in the rapidly evolving global economy. The Minister also appealed to the Foundation for Democratic Reforms (FDR) to establish similar science centres in government schools across Telangana, assuring the organisation of the State government's full support in expanding the initiative. Members of Parliament Eatala Rajender and Vijayendra Prasad, FDR General Secretary Dr. Jayaprakash Narayan, along with educationists, public representatives, and officials, attended the programme.



CM Revanth Reddy's Alleged Dual Voter Registration



the issue had reportedly been issued by a government fact-check unit instead of the Election Commission. He urged authorities to ensure transparency and impartiality in the electoral process. Praveen Kumar further announced that the BRS would approach the Election Commission of India seeking an inquiry into the alleged voter registration issue and requesting appropriate action in accordance with the law. During the press conference, he also responded to recent political allegations involving social welfare institutions and commented on law and order issues, accusing the state government of selective action. He reiterated the party's demand for an independent investigation into all matters raised. The allegations made by the BRS leader have not been independently verified, and no official finding has established any violation. The Election Commission's response and the Chief Minister's position on these allegations were not available at the time of publication.

Minister Seethakka Inaugurates Free Mega Health Camp for Secretariat Women Employees



Calls on women employees to prioritise preventive healthcare and regular health check-ups

Telangana DGP Announces Zero Tolerance Policy on Drugs in Educational Institutions

versities across the state completely drug-free and ensuring the safety and well-being of students. Chairing a high-level review meeting with officials of the E A G L E (Telangana Anti-Narcotics Bureau) on Wednesday, the DGP emphasized that educational institutions must remain free from narcotic substances and play a vital role in shaping disciplined and responsible citizens. To strengthen anti-drug measures, the DGP proposed the establishment of Anti-Drug & Safety Committees in every educational institution across Telangana. Each institution will also be required to appoint a Campus Safety Coordinator responsible for student safety, anti-drug awareness, counselling programmes, and coordination with parents and law enforcement agencies. During the meeting, EAGLE officials presented a comprehensive framework covering the structure, responsibilities, implementation process, monitoring system, and operational guidelines for the proposed committees. After reviewing the proposal, the DGP suggested several improvements and directed of-



officials to prepare a revised framework incorporating recommendations from education experts, government departments, and other stakeholders before submitting it to the government for approval. Reiterating the government's Zero Tolerance policy, C.V. Anand warned that strict action would be initiated against any educational institution found encouraging, facilitating, or ignoring drug-related activities. He said the police would recommend cancellation of recognition wherever serious violations are detected. The meeting also discussed mandatory anti-drug awareness programmes during student admissions, deployment of psychologists and counsellors, increased parental involvement, collaboration with NGOs, and continuous awareness campaigns to prevent substance abuse among students. The DGP directed the Police, Education, and Health Departments to work in close coordination for effective implementation of the anti-drug strategy across Telangana. "Our goal is to build safe, secure, healthy, and drug-free educational institutions for every student in Telangana," the DGP said. The meeting was attended by EAGLE Director Sandeep Shandilya, IG Padmaja Reddy, SP Giridhar, and other senior officers.



Cabinet Approves

Rs 62,500-Crore Mobile Phone Manufacturing Scheme to Boost 'Make in India': PM Modi

Scheme with an outlay of Rs 62,500 crore, describing it as a major milestone for the 'Make in India' initiative and the country's rapidly growing electronics manufacturing sector. In a statement, the Prime Minister said the scheme would significantly expand mobile phone production, increase domestic value addition, strengthen supply chains, and build a globally competitive electronics manufacturing ecosystem in India. He noted that the initiative is expected to accelerate the country's manufacturing capabilities while reducing dependence on imports and encouraging greater participation of do-



mestic industries in the global electronics value chain. Prime Minister Modi also emphasized that the scheme will generate substantial employment opportunities over the coming years, particularly benefiting India's youth through the creation of skilled jobs across manufacturing, component production, logistics, and allied sectors. The government believes the initiative will further strengthen India's position as a global hub for electronics manufacturing, attract fresh investments, promote technological advancement, and support the country's vision of becoming a leading manufacturing destination under the Make in India programme.



Fire at Plastic Warehouse in Hastinapuram; MLA Sudheer Reddy Inspects Site

No casualties reported; MLA seeks strict action against warehouses operating in residential areas

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: A major fire, reportedly triggered by a short circuit, broke out late Tuesday night at a plastic warehouse located amid residential houses in Srirama Colony, Hastinapuram Division. The blaze caused extensive property damage, though no casualties were reported. Upon receiving information about the incident, LB Nagar MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy visited the site along with local leaders to assess the situation. He reviewed the damage with officials and directed them to expedite firefighting, relief, and assessment operations. The fire also spread to a newly constructed house adjacent to the warehouse, completely destroying household furniture and other belongings. The MLA inspected the damaged residence and interacted with the affected family. Sudheer Reddy instructed officials

to take strict action against warehouses operating in residential localities, stating that such establishments pose a serious risk to public safety. He also appealed to local residents to cooperate with authorities to prevent hazardous warehouses from being set up in residential areas. The MLA assured the affected families that he would coordinate with the District Collector and Revenue Department to facilitate appropriate compensation for those who suffered losses in the incident. BRS Hastinapuram Division President Andoju Satyamchari, along with local leaders Srinivas Naik, Gopi Madhu, Bhim Naik, Nagireddy, Sai Yadav, Bikshapathi, Vishnu, King Madhu, and others, accompanied the MLA during the inspection.



Minister Seethakka Reviews Women & Child Welfare Programmes, Directs Faster Implementation

Focus on strengthening

Anganwadi services, nutrition programmes, infrastructure

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: Telangana Minister for Women and Child Welfare Danasari Anasuya (Seethakka) conducted a comprehensive review meeting with district Women and Child Welfare officials at the Secretariat on Wednesday, directing them to expedite



the implementation of welfare and development programmes across the State. During the meeting, the Minister reviewed the progress of various schemes, district-wise budget allocations, expenditure, and programme implementation. She instructed officials to ensure that all welfare initiatives reach beneficiaries efficiently and without delay. Emphasizing nutrition for women and children, Seethakka directed officials to give special attention to the timely supply of eggs and lentils to Anganwadi centres. She also instructed officials to accelerate the distribution of Take-Home Ration (THR) and ensure uninterrupted nutritional support for beneficiaries.

The Minister stressed the need to increase the attendance of pregnant women, lactating mothers, and children aged 3–6 years at Anganwadi centres through effective awareness and outreach programmes. She further directed officials to speed up the construction of Anganwadi buildings and ensure that all centres are equipped with essential basic amenities to improve service delivery and create a better environment for children and beneficiaries. Seethakka also reviewed the implementation of the 'Anganwadi Tholi Mudda' (First Morsel) programme and instructed officials to implement it effectively across all districts to strengthen child nutrition initiatives. The Minister reiterated the government's commitment to improving maternal and child welfare services and called upon officials to work with dedication to achieve better outcomes in nutrition, healthcare, and early childhood development.

Trust, Dialogue and Cooperation Essential for Sustainable Industrial Growth: Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla



Hyderabad Declaration adopted at the 15th BRICS Trade Union Forum Summit 2026, reaffirming commitment to workers' rights and social security

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: Telangana Governor Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla emphasized that trust, dialogue, and cooperation among governments, employers, and employees are essential for building a humane, inclusive, and sustainable future of work. He said technological advancements, including artificial in-

telligence, should empower workers and generate quality employment opportunities rather than widen social and economic inequalities. The Governor made these remarks while addressing the valedictory session of the 15th BRICS Trade Union Forum (BTUF) Summit–2026, organized by the Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh (BMS) under India's BRICS Presidency at the Marriott Hotel, Lower Tank Bund, Hyderabad. The summit concluded with the unanimous adoption of the Hyderabad Declaration, reaffirming the commitment of BRICS trade unions to protecting work-

ers' rights, expanding universal social security, promoting inclusive growth, strengthening social dialogue, and advancing sustainable development. Welcoming delegates from Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa, and partner nations, Governor Shukla described Hyderabad as a city known for its rich heritage, vibrant culture, and hospitality. He noted that BRICS countries, representing a significant share of the world's population and economy, have a crucial role in shaping a balanced and sustainable global economic order. Highlighting the changing nature of employment, the Governor said digital transformation, automation, and artificial intelligence are rapidly reshaping labour markets worldwide. He stressed the importance of equipping workers with new skills and knowledge to help them adapt to emerging technologies and future employment opportunities. The Governor also noted India's efforts to strengthen social security for workers in both the organised and unorganised sectors through various welfare initiatives aimed at ensuring dignity, safety, and improved quality of life for workers and their families. Congratulating the organisers and delegates on adopting the Hyderabad Declaration, he expressed confidence that the document would provide renewed direction for protecting labour rights, strengthening social security systems, promoting social justice, and supporting sustainable development across BRICS nations. The valedictory session was presided over by S. Malleshham, President of Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh and Chairperson of the Summit. The programme was attended by trade union leaders and delegates from BRICS member and partner countries, including representatives from Brazil, Russia, China, South Africa, and India.



Continuous Talks with Centre to Secure Seethamma Sagar Clearances: Minister Tummla Nageswar Rao

Meeting between Minister Tummla and Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy

State Government Intensifies Efforts to Resume Seetharama Project Works and Speed Up Irrigation Infrastructure

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: Telangana Agriculture Minister Tummla Nageswara Rao said the State Government is maintaining continuous consultations with the Union Government to secure environmental clearances for the prestigious Seethamma Sagar Multipurpose Project at the earliest. The Minister made the remarks after holding a review meeting with Irrigation Minister Uttam Kumar Reddy at the Secretariat on Wednesday to discuss pending issues related to the Seetharama Lift Irrigation Scheme and the Seethamma Sagar Project. Tummla said the project has remained stalled since March 2023 due to legal issues linked to the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), which is currently under consideration by the Supreme Court. He said the State Government is pursuing the matter with Union Ministers and central officials to obtain the required clearances and resume construction without delay. The Minister also proposed increasing the storage capacity of Domalavagu,

located between Pump Houses 1 and 2 of the Seetharama Lift Irrigation Scheme, from 0.20 TMC to 0.50 TMC. He said the enhancement would improve operational efficiency and ensure uninterrupted water availability. Uttam Kumar Reddy reportedly responded positively and directed officials to examine the proposal. The meeting also reviewed plans to install escape regulators at strategic points between Pump Houses 1, 2, and 3 to regulate water flow and protect canals during heavy monsoon inflows. Officials were instructed to undertake the necessary technical assessments. Tummla informed that excavation of the Yatalakunta Tunnel, part of the Sathupalli trunk canal, has been completed and lining works are progressing rap-



idly. The tunnel is expected to be ready for water release by August 2026, significantly improving irrigation in the Sathupalli region. The Irrigation Minister assured timely release of pending construction bills to accelerate project execution. The Ministers also discussed immediate release of pending land acquisition compensation for the Seetharama Project and examined the feasibility of introducing a piped irrigation network for extensive oil palm cultivation in Ashwaraopeta and Sathupalli constituencies. Further, Tummla requested priority action to resume the stalled Julurupadu Tunnel works to facilitate early water supply to the Paleru Reservoir, benefiting irrigation and drinking water needs across several mandals in Khammam district. Both Ministers reiterated the government's commitment to resolving all pending issues and completing the irrigation projects to ensure timely benefits for farmers in Khammam and Bhadradri Kothagudem districts.

Childhood is the Foundation for a Strong Future: Minister Seethakka

Breakfast scheme to expand statewide next month; strict action against substandard suppliers and renewed focus on Anganwadi services

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: Telangana Minister for Women and Child Welfare Dr. Danasari Anasuya (Seethakka) emphasized that childhood forms the foundation of a strong future and called for strengthening Anganwadi services to ensure every child receives quality nutrition, education, and care. Addressing a virtual review meeting with district Women and Child Welfare officials at the Secretariat on Wednesday, the Minister conducted a comprehensive review of welfare and development programmes across the State. The meeting reviewed the implementation of nutritional programmes, Take-Home Ration (THR), the Anganwadi Tholimudda breakfast initiative, Amma Maata–Anganwadi Baata, construction of Anganwadi buildings, child protection measures, adoption services, prevention of child marriages, and district-wise budget utilisation. Seethakka instructed

district officials to regularly visit every Anganwadi centre, including those in remote villages, and personally monitor the quality of food being served. She suggested that district officials and supervisors periodically eat meals at Anganwadi centres, similar to inspections conducted in government schools, to ensure food quality and improve accountability. The Minister warned that there would be zero tolerance for substandard nutritional supplies, directing that contractors supplying poor-quality eggs, milk, lentils, or other food items would be blacklisted.

She also ordered immediate reports on recent complaints regarding the supply of inferior eggs to certain Anganwadi centres. Highlighting the success of the pilot Anganwadi Breakfast Scheme in Bhadradri Kothagudem and Kumuram Bheem Asifabad districts, Seethakka announced that the programme would be expanded to all Anganwadi centres across Telangana from next month. She said the initiative has improved children's attendance and learning outcomes. The Minister directed officials to speed up the construction of 2,500 sanctioned Anganwadi build-



ings, while preparing proposals for an additional 2,500–3,000 centres based on future requirements. She instructed that all new centres should be equipped with electricity, drinking water, toilets, piped water, and child-friendly infrastructure, with colourful surroundings and greenery to create a welcoming environment. Special emphasis was also placed on ensuring uninterrupted services for children of migrant workers through mobile Anganwadis and extending nutrition programmes to children in remote Gutti Koya habitations so that no child is deprived of government welfare. Reaffirming the government's commitment to child protection, Seethakka directed officials to ensure that not a single child marriage takes place in Telangana, calling for stronger monitoring and coordinated efforts at the district level. She also announced that Anganwadi teachers and staff delivering outstanding services will be honoured on Independence Day (August 15) in recognition of their contribution. The Minister urged Anganwadi teachers and helpers to serve children with the same care they would show their own families, stressing that their discipline, dedication, and compassion play a vital role in shaping the future of Telangana's children.

India-UK CETA Comes into Force; Telangana Export Consignments Flagged Off in Hyderabad

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: The implementation of the India-UK Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) officially commenced on July 15, 2026, with Telangana marking the occasion by flagging off export consignments to the United Kingdom from the Inland Container Depot (ICD), Sanathnagar, Hyderabad. Flagging off the consignments, Shri Krishna Aditya, IAS, Special Secretary, Department of Industries & Commerce, Government of Telangana, described the agreement as a major milestone in India-UK economic relations. He said the reduction and elimination of tariffs on a wide range of products would significantly improve market access for Indian exporters, making Telangana's products more competitive in the UK market while opening new avenues for export-oriented industries. Dr. Sampath Kumar, ITS, Additional Director General of Foreign Trade (DGFT), Hyderabad, stated that the agreement would provide preferential tariff access across multiple product categories and substantially enhance export opportunities for Indian businesses. Smt. Bhavani Sri, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, SEZ, Visakhapatnam, noted that the benefits of the agreement would extend to industries of all sizes, particularly Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). She highlighted Telangana's strengths in pharmaceuticals, chemicals, electronics, and food processing as sectors well-positioned to benefit from the new trade framework. Shri R.P. Naidu,



Trade pact expected to boost Telangana's exports, improve market access, strengthen MSMEs, and create new employment opportunities

Regional Head of APEDA for Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, said the agreement would create significant opportunities for exports of agricultural and processed food products, including dairy products, confectionery, millets, and other APEDA-scheduled commodities. Representing the UK High Commission, Shri Siddharth Viswanathan, Head of Trade and Investment, described the India-UK CETA as a landmark agreement that would facilitate bilateral trade through improved market access, simplified customs procedures, and streamlined documentation. Major Benefits for Telangana The United Kingdom is among Telangana's major export destinations, with exports valued at approximately US\$402.5 million during 2025-26. Key export products include pharmaceuticals, biological products, electronic instruments, electrical machinery, engineering goods, chemicals, and medical devices. The agreement is expected to significantly benefit sectors such as pharmaceuticals, life sciences, engineering, electronics, chemicals, food processing, and agriculture by reducing tariff barriers and improving regulatory cooperation. It is also expected to attract fresh investments, strengthen export-oriented manufacturing, integrate MSMEs into global value chains, and generate employment. “As part of the celebrations, parallel export flag-off events were also held at Nizamabad, where District Collector Smt. Ila Tripathi, IAS, flagged off a rice export consignment of M/s Shree Gajanan Industries, and at Hyderabad, where Shri Sambhaji Chavan, Joint Director General of Foreign Trade, flagged off a food products consignment exported by M/s Fumar Agri Foods Pvt. Ltd. The programme was attended by senior officials from the Department of Commerce, Customs, APEDA, DGFT, SEZ authorities, export promotion agencies, and the UK High Commission.

Kishan Reddy Welcomes Centre's Rs 1.51 Lakh Crore Urea Subsidy for 2025-26

stated that although international fertilizer and natural gas prices have increased due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Russia-Ukraine conflict, and geopolitical tensions in West Asia, the Central Government has continued to shield farmers from the financial burden. He noted that a 45-kg bag of urea is available to farmers for Rs 267, while its actual cost is Rs1,967, with the Centre bearing a subsidy of Rs 1,680 per bag.



Kishan Reddy said the Union Cabinet's latest approval of Rs 1,51,709 crore for urea subsidies during 2025-26 reflects the government's continued commitment to food security and agricultural growth. He added that the Centre had spent over Rs 4.23 lakh crore on urea subsidies between 2022-23 and 2024-25, exceeding earlier estimates to ensure

uninterrupted fertilizer supply. Highlighting Telangana's benefits, the Minister said farmers in the state have received approximately Rs 89,729 crore in urea subsidies over the past 12 years. According to him, a farmer owning two acres receives an annual benefit of around Rs 25,368 through the fertilizer subsidy alone. When combined with the PM-Kisan Samman Nidhi assistance of Rs 6,000 per year, the total annual support rises to over Rs 31,000. The Union Minister also pointed to the revival of the Ramagundam Fertilizer Plant, established at a cost of Rs 6,400 crore, stating that the project has strengthened domestic fertilizer production and improved availability for farmers in Telangana and neighbouring states. Kishan Reddy said the Modi government has consistently focused on agricultural development through timely fertilizer supply, investment support, and policy reforms aimed at making India self-reliant in fertilizer production while ensuring farmers receive essential inputs at affordable prices.

BRS Slams Congress Over Unfulfilled Youth Promises, Calls for Massive Participation in 'Yuva Sangrama Sadassu'

KTR to attend July 18 meeting at Saroornagar Stadium; BRS leaders accuse government of failing to deliver employment commitments

Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post : BRS senior leader and former Minister Talasani Srinivas Yadav accused the Congress government of failing to fulfil the promises made to unemployed youth, alleging that key commitments on jobs and unemployment assistance remain pending. He made the remarks while inspecting arrangements for the 'Yuva Sangrama Sadassu' (Youth Struggle Conference) scheduled to be held on July 18 at Saroornagar Stadium. The inspection was attended by former Minister and BRS Deputy Floor Leader Sabitha Indra Reddy, MLAs Devireddy Sudheer Reddy, Mutha Gopal, and Bhandari Lakshma Reddy, MLC Shambipur Raju, Secunderabad Parliamentary constituency in-charge Talasani Sai Kiran Yadav, and other party leaders. Addressing the media, Talasani Srinivas Yadav recalled that Telangana was achieved through the movement led by former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR) under the slogan of "Water, Funds, and Appointments." He claimed



that the previous BRS government had filled more than two lakh government posts, while some recruitments remained pending due to administrative reasons. He alleged that during the 2023 Assembly election campaign, senior Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi announced a Youth Declaration, promising to fill two lakh government jobs within the first year of coming to power and provide a Rs 4,000 monthly unemployment allowance until eligible youth secured employment. According to the BRS leader, these promises have not yet been implemented. Talasani further alleged that unemployed youth protesting for jobs have faced arrests and police action instead of receiving employment opportunities. He claimed that the Congress government had failed to meet the expectations of young people and accused it of avoiding its election commitments. The BRS leaders announced that Working President K. T. Rama Rao (KTR) will attend the Yuva Sangrama Sadassu as the chief guest on July 18 and appealed to unemployed youth and party workers to participate in large numbers. The statements in this report are political allegations made by BRS leaders. The response of the Congress government was not available at the time of publication.

Scientific Knowledge is the Strong Foundation for Nation-Building: Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla



Hyderabad, July 15 – The Journalist Post: Telangana Governor Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla said that scientific knowledge, research, and innovation are the pillars of nation-building and called upon students to cultivate a scientific temper and contribute to India's future through continuous learning and innovation. The Governor made these remarks while interacting with 48 students and mentors from Kuwait and Saudi Arabia who participated in the Vijnana Bharati (Vibha) 'Shastra Pratibha Competitions 2025-26' during a programme held at Lok Bhavan in Hyderabad on Wednesday. During the interaction, Governor Shukla engaged the students in discussions on their educational tour, the historical significance of the places they visited, India's ancient scientific heritage, renowned Indian scientists, and the BRICS alliance. Appreciating their enthusiasm for science, he encouraged the students to pursue research, innovation, and lifelong learning. The Governor said organizations like Vijnana Bharati have an important role in promoting scientific thinking, nurturing innovation among young minds, and inspiring students to contribute to the nation's technological and scientific advancement. He added that fostering curiosity and scientific inquiry among youth is essential for building a developed and self-reliant India. He also praised Vijnana Bharati for introducing India's scientific heritage to Indian students living abroad and for identifying and nurturing young talent through initiatives such as the Shastra Pratibha competitions. The programme was attended by M. Dana Kishore, Special Chief Secretary to the Governor, representatives of Vijnana Bharati, mentors, and participating students.

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tively. She said political attention towards Singareni increased only after her party launched the 'Bayibata' outreach programme among coal miners. Referring to recent developments in the coal sector, Kavitha said the allocation of the Tadicherla coal block alone was insufficient and urged the Union Government to ensure the unconditional allocation of the remaining coal blocks to Singareni. She also appealed to Union Coal Minister G. Kishan Reddy to facilitate implementation of pending Wage Board recommendations, address issues related to income tax on employee perks, and ensure that outstanding dues to Singareni are cleared. Kavitha reiterated that unless the government makes an official announcement regarding the Medical Board and dependent employment policy before July 20, she will proceed with her proposed indefinite hunger strike. The statements in this report reflect the views and allegations made by Telangana Rakshana Sena chief Kalvakuntla Kavitha. The response of the Telangana government and Singareni management was not available at the time of publication.

‘Dalit Ratna’ Ganta Ramakrishna Felicitated at National Level in Kolkata

All India Dom Mahasangh elects him National Working President during national committee elections



Kolkata, July 15 – The Journalist Post: A significant national honor was conferred upon Ganta Ramakrishna of Narsipuram village in Parvathipuram Manyam district, who was grandly felicitated by the All India Shoshit Dom Community Mahasangh in Kolkata. The event was held at Hastings Sangh Bhavan, opposite the Air Force Headquarters, during the organization’s national committee elections, with representatives from nearly twelve states participating in the programme. Ramakrishna, who had earlier received the ‘Dalit Ratna’ award from the Telangana government, was specially invited and honored for his contributions as a poet, writer, psychologist, and social activist. The programme was conducted under the leadership of National Secretary Manoj Mallik. Speaking on the occasion, Surjit Mallik, advocate of the Calcutta High Court and a senior leader of the National Dom Sangh, said that Ramakrishna was the first individual from the Dom community to receive the ‘Dalit Ratna’ award from a government at the national level. He praised Ramakrishna for his dedication to the welfare of the community and for his efforts to address the issues faced by marginalized sections across the country. Representatives from various regions, including Ramachandra Mallik, Pradeep Ji Shastri of Banaras, and leaders from Purulia, unanimously elected Ganta Ramakrishna as the National Working President of the All India Dom Kula Mahasangh. In his address, Ramakrishna expressed gratitude for the recognition and said he drew inspiration from Dr. B.R. Ambedkar’s message of “Educate, Agitate, Organize.” He urged educated members of the Dom community to work collectively for social upliftment and empowerment, emphasizing the importance of education and awareness in achieving equality and dignity. He pledged to discharge his responsibilities as National Working President with sincerity and dedicated the ‘Dalit Ratna’ award to the entire Dom community.

Satwik-Chirag Lead India's Challenge at Japan Open

India's star men's doubles pair returns to international action as shuttlers aim for a strong performance in the prestigious BWF Super 750 tournament.

TOKYO | JULY 15, 2026 : India's top men's doubles duo, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty, have spearheaded the country's campaign at the Japan Open Super 750, one of the most important tournaments on the BWF World Tour. Fresh from their recent success at the Singapore Open and after recovering from injury concerns, the pair entered the tournament as one of India's biggest medal hopes. The tournament has attracted many of the world's leading badminton players and serves as a crucial event ahead of the BWF World Championships. Along with Satwik and Chirag, India's challenge includes PV Sindhu, Lakshya Sen, HS Prannoy, Kidambi



Srikanth, and several emerging shuttlers competing across the singles and doubles categories. However, India's campaign suffered an early setback after Satwik and Chirag were forced to retire from their opening-round match due to the recurrence of Satwik's shoulder injury. The pair has also decided to skip the upcoming China Open to focus on recovery and ensure full fitness for the World Championships later this year. Despite the disappointment, Indian badminton continues to show strong depth, with experienced players and promising youngsters competing consistently on the international circuit. The Japan Open remains an important platform for gaining valuable ranking points and testing preparations against the world's best opponents before the season's major championships.

FIFA World Cup 2026: England Face Argentina in Blockbuster Semifinal

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Give feedback The FIFA World Cup 2026 has reached its decisive stage, with England and Argentina locking horns in a high-profile semifinal at Atlanta Stadium. The encounter brings together two of football's most successful nations in a match that will determine who advances to the final to face Spain, which booked its place after defeating France in the first semifinal. England, under manager Thomas Tuchel, have enjoyed an impressive campaign, overcoming Norway in the quarterfinals to reach their first World Cup semifinal since 2018. Argentina, the defending world champions led by Lionel Scaloni, have once again demonstrated their championship pedigree, with captain Lionel Messi playing a pivotal role in guiding the team through the knockout rounds. The semifinal has generated worldwide excitement, not only because of the quality of both teams but also due to the rich history between the two footballing giants. England's Jude Bellingham and captain Harry Kane are expected to lead the Three Lions, while Argentina will rely on the experience of Lionel Messi, supported by Julián Álvarez and Enzo Fernández, in their bid to defend the World Cup title. Football experts expect a closely contested encounter featuring tactical discipline, attacking quality, and high-intensity football. The winner will progress to the FIFA World Cup 2026 Final against Spain, while the losing side will compete



ICC Confirms New Format for 2027 Cricket World Cup

14-team tournament to feature new 'Super Series' and 'Super 7' stages, aiming to make every match more competitive

DUBAI | JULY 15, 2026 : The International Cricket Council (ICC) has officially approved a revamped format for the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2027, introducing a new three-stage competition designed to increase competitiveness and ensure every match carries greater significance. The tournament, to be co-hosted by South Africa, Zimbabwe, and Namibia, will feature 14 participating teams. Under the revised structure, the tournament will begin with a 'Super Series', where the three lowest-ranked qualified teams will compete in a round-robin format. The winner of this stage will join the remaining 11 teams in the main group stage, creating a 12-team field for the next phase. The second stage will consist of two groups of six teams, with each side playing every other team in its group. The top three teams from each group, along with the next best-placed team across both groups, will qualify for the newly introduced 'Super 7' stage. This round-robin phase will determine the four semifinalists based on the standings. The ICC stated that the new format is intended to reduce dead-rubber matches, enhance the quality of competition, and provide fans with more high-stakes encounters throughout the tournament. The World Cup will feature 57 matches, with the semifinals and final deciding the next world champion. The announcement marks one of the most significant changes to the ODI World Cup structure in recent years. Cricket experts believe the revised format will create a more intense and engaging competition while giving every participating team a meaningful pathway to the knockout stages.



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Golf's Open Championship 2026 Set to Tee Off

World's top golfers gear up for the season's final major as they battle for the iconic Claret Jug in Northern Ireland.

PORTRUSH, NORTHERN IRELAND | JULY 15, 2026 : The golfing world is set to turn its attention to The Open Championship 2026, the oldest and one of the most prestigious tournaments in the sport, as the year's final major gets underway at the historic Royal Portrush Golf Club. The championship will bring together the world's leading golfers, former champions, and emerging stars in a four-day battle for the coveted Claret Jug. Defending champion Scottie Scheffler returns to the tournament aiming to retain his title, while major winners Rory McIlroy, Xander Schauffele, Jon Rahm, Collin Morikawa, and Brooks Koepka are among the favorites expected to challenge for the championship. The event is also expected to showcase several promising young golfers seeking their first major title. Royal Portrush is re-

nowned for its challenging links layout, unpredictable coastal winds, and fast greens, making accuracy, patience, and course management essential for success. Players have been preparing extensively through practice rounds to adapt to the demanding conditions that often define The Open Championship. With a prize purse among the highest in professional golf and valuable world ranking points on offer, the tournament promises four days of intense competition. Fans around the globe will closely follow every round as the world's finest golfers compete to etch their names into the rich history of one of sport's greatest championships. The Open Championship continues to uphold its tradition of excellence, attracting millions of viewers worldwide and celebrating the heritage of golf. As play begins, anticipation is high for another memorable edition filled with dramatic finishes, exceptional shot-making, and fierce competition.— THE JOURNALIST POST



'War 2' Gears Up for Grand Release as Trailer Creates Massive Buzz

MUMBAI, July 15: One of the year's most anticipated pan-India action films, War 2, is building tremendous excitement ahead of its theatrical release. Starring Hrithik Roshan and Jr NTR, the high-octane action thriller has become one of the most talked-about films on social media, with fans eagerly awaiting the big-screen showdown between the two superstars. Directed by Ayan Mukerji and produced by Yash Raj Films under its Spy Universe banner, War 2 promises larger-than-life action, international locations, breathtaking stunt sequences, and a gripping storyline.

Hrithik Roshan reprises his role as elite spy Kabir, while Jr NTR joins the franchise in a powerful new character, setting the stage for an intense face-off. The recently released trailer has received an overwhelming response, with audiences praising the



spectacular visuals, stylish action choreography, background score, and the electrifying screen presence of both lead actors. Fans have especially appreciated the chemistry and rivalry between Hrithik Roshan and Jr NTR, making the trailer one of the most-discussed entertainment releases of the month.

Advance booking trends have also been highly encouraging. Trade analysts report strong demand across multiplex chains in major cities, with opening-day tickets selling rapidly in several locations. Industry experts predict a massive opening at the domestic and international box office, driven by the film's pan-India appeal and the popularity of the YRF Spy Universe. The film also stars Kiara Advani in a leading role, adding further star power to the project. Promotional events, interviews, and digital campaigns are expected to intensify in the coming weeks as the release date approaches. With two of Indian cinema's biggest stars sharing the screen for the first time, War 2 is widely expected to be one of the biggest box-office attractions of 2026. Fans are now counting down to the release, hoping the film delivers another blockbuster for the YRF Spy Universe.

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Nandamuri Balakrishna's 'Akhandam 2: Thaandavam' Generates Huge Buzz Ahead of Release

HYDERABAD, July 15: Nandamuri Balakrishna is gearing up for one of the biggest releases of his career with Akhandam 2: Thaandavam, the sequel to the blockbuster Akhandam. Directed by Boyapati Sreenu, the film is progressing at a brisk pace and has already created tremendous excitement among fans across Telugu states and overseas. The makers recently completed major shooting schedules featuring Balakrishna in an intense action-packed avatar. High-voltage action sequences, devotional episodes,



and emotional scenes have been filmed on grand sets, while the production team continues work on the remaining portions. According to the latest updates, post-production activities are progressing simultaneously, with the visual effects, editing, and background score receiving special attention. Composer S. Thaman is once again scoring the music, and expectations are high after the chartbuster soundtrack and powerful background score of the first film. The sequel promises to take forward the spiritual and action-packed narrative of Akhandam, with Balakrishna reprising his powerful role in a larger-than-life presentation. Director Boyapati Sreenu has reportedly designed several mass-action episodes and emotionally charged scenes to appeal to Balakrishna's fan base. Fans have been eagerly awaiting the film's teaser and trailer, expecting them to showcase the actor's signature dialogues, intense action, and grand visuals. Promotional activities are expected to gather momentum in the coming weeks as the makers move closer to release. Trade analysts believe Akhandam 2: Thaandavam has the potential to become one of the biggest Tollywood releases of the year, thanks to the successful combination of Balakrishna and Boyapati Sreenu, which has delivered multiple box-office hits in the past. With shooting nearing completion and post-production progressing steadily, anticipation continues to build for Akhandam 2: Thaandavam, as fans count down to witness Balakrishna return in one of his most powerful roles on the big screen. — THE JOURNALIST POST

'The Raja Saab' Nears Completion; Prabhas' Horror-Fantasy Entertainer Enters Final Phase

HYDERABAD, July 15: Pan-India star Prabhas is gearing up for the release of his much-awaited horror-fantasy entertainer The Raja Saab, with the film now entering its final stages of production. Directed by Maruthi and produced by People Media Factory, the project has generated significant excitement among fans eager to see

ing Prabhas' stylish new look and the film's intriguing blend of horror, comedy, romance, and action. Industry observers believe the movie offers a fresh departure from the actor's recent action-heavy films. The film features Malavika Mohanan, Nidhi Agerwal, and Riddhi Kumar in key roles, supported by an experienced ensemble cast. Music is composed by Thaman S, while the technical team is working to ensure the visual effects meet pan-India standards. Fans are now eagerly awaiting the official teaser and theatrical trailer, which are expected to showcase the film's supernatural world, grand visuals, and entertaining storyline.



Promotional activities are likely to increase as the makers move closer to the release. Although the production house has not yet announced a revised release date, trade circles expect

The Raja Saab to arrive in theatres after the completion of post-production work. With Prabhas headlining a unique horror-fantasy entertainer, expectations remain exceptionally high among moviegoers across the country. If the film delivers on its promise of combining comedy, horror, fantasy, and commercial entertainment, The Raja Saab could become one of the biggest crowd-pullers of the year and add another major success to Prabhas' impressive pan-India filmography. — THE JOURNALIST POST

The latest industry updates, principal photography is nearing completion, while the post-production team has intensified work on visual effects, sound design, and editing. The makers are focused on delivering a high-quality cinematic experience, especially in the fantasy and supernatural sequences that form the core of the story. The recently released promotional content has received an encouraging response, with fans praising Prabhas in a refreshing commercial entertainer with horror and comedy elements.