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Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda Reviews Preparations for NEET UG Counselling 2026



New Delhi, July 29 : Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare Jagat Prakash Nadda on Tuesday reviewed the preparedness of the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) for the upcoming NEET UG Counselling 2026, directing officials to ensure a seamless, transparent, and technology-driven admission process for medical aspirants across the country. During the review meeting, the

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Rahul Gandhi Must Apologize for Calling Students 'Idiots': BJP Telangana Chief N. Ramchander Rao



Hyderabad, July 29 : BJP Telangana State President N. Ramchander Rao on Tuesday demanded that Congress leader Rahul Gandhi immediately issue a public apology to students, alleging that his remarks during the Lok Sabha debate on the Public Examinations (Amendment) Bill and NEET examination reforms insulted the student community.

Addressing the media, Ramchander Rao strongly condemned Rahul Gandhi's reported

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Criticism is mounting across the state regarding the operational practices of Sri Chaitanya schools. In particular, the lack of proper playgrounds at many branches and the fact that classes are being conducted in buildings originally constructed for residential purposes have become subjects of debate. While concerns are being raised about branches operating without the basic amenities essential for the holistic development of students, questions are also being asked about the adequacy of oversight by the concerned authorities.

THE JOURNALIST POST | Hyderabad : Education is not limited merely to textbooks; sports play a crucial role in the mental and physical development of students. The National Education Policy also emphasizes the importance of sports in a student's overall growth. However, the absence of even a basic playground in many Sri Chaitanya schools across the state means students are confined within four walls.

Government regulations for school recognition mandate the availability of specific facilities, including suitable buildings, safety standards, drinking water, restrooms, spacious premises, and playgrounds. Yet, locals allege that many Sri Chaitanya schools are operating without playgrounds. It is reported that in some places, students are confined to classrooms,

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Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao Hits Back at KTR Over HYDRAA Remarks



Hyderabad, July 29 : Telangana Agriculture Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao strongly countered BRS Working President K.T. Rama Rao's (KTR) recent remarks on HYDRAA, stating that "those who have already sunk into the Bay of Bengal cannot claim they will throw HYDRAA into the Bay of Bengal."

Addressing the media, the Minister said Telangana is facing a challenging agricultural season due to a nearly 30 percent rainfall deficit despite the onset of the monsoon. He described the prevailing El Niño conditions as an unprecedented natural phenomenon, saying such a severe impact had not been witnessed in nearly 150 years. According to him, its effects are expected to continue through August, September, and

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KALVAKUNTLA KAVITHA VISITS FORMER MLA PEDDI SUDARSHAN REDDY AT YASHODA HOSPITAL



Hyderabad | July 29, 2026 : TRS Chief Kalvakuntla Kavitha on Wednesday visited former Narsampet MLA Peddi Sudarshan Reddy, who is undergoing treatment at Yashoda Hospital in Secunderabad. During her visit, Kavitha met the doctors attending to Peddi Sudarshan Reddy and enquired about the medical treatment being provided and his current health condition.

The doctors briefed her on his progress and ongoing care. She later met Peddi Sudarshan Reddy's wife and other family members, offering them reassurance and expressing hope for his speedy recovery. Kavitha conveyed her support to the family during the difficult time and wished the former legislator a full and early recovery. The visit comes amid continued concern among party leaders and supporters over the health of the former MLA, who remains under medical supervision.

Telangana Police Recruitment Board Announces 7,437 Vacancies Across Four Departments

Recruitment Notifications Issued for Police, SPE, Fire & Prisons; Online Application Schedule to Be Announced Soon

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HYDERABAD, JULY 29 : The Telangana State Level Police Recruitment Board (TSLPRB) has issued four recruitment notifications for the direct recruitment of 7,437 vacancies across the Police, Special

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BRS Demands Inquiry into Security Review Committee Decisions



RS Praveen Kumar Alleges Selective Withdrawal of Security Cover, Raises Concerns Over Former MLA Peddi Sudarshan Reddy's Health

HYDERABAD, JULY 29: BRS General Secretary Dr. R.S. Praveen Kumar on Tuesday alleged that the Telangana Government had selectively withdrawn security cover for several opposition leaders and demanded that the Security Review Committee's recommendations be made public. Addressing a press conference at Telangana Bhavan, Praveen Kumar said the party was compelled to address the media under distressing circumstances following the critical illness of former Narsampet MLA Peddi Sudarshan Reddy, who is currently undergoing medical treatment.

Praveen Kumar said the former legislator's family members were deeply concerned and that BRS president K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR) was in constant touch with doctors regarding his condition. Praveen Kumar alleged that the state government reduced security for several BRS leaders under the guise of a security review and claimed that Peddi Sudarshan Reddy's security cover, which had been provided for nearly 25 years due to security concerns, was also withdrawn.

He said Sudarshan Reddy had entered politics at a young age and served the public in various capacities, including as Warangal district party president and Chairman of the Civil

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EDITORIAL

True Nationalism – Jago Bharat

"Jago Bharat" (Awaken, India) is not merely a slogan—it is a call to every citizen to build a stronger, united, and self-reliant nation. True nationalism is demonstrated through integrity, respect for the Constitution, obedience to the law, and a commitment to the country's progress. It means placing the nation's welfare above personal or political interests, protecting public resources, respecting diversity, and strengthening democratic institutions.

A truly patriotic citizen contributes through honest work, civic responsibility, environmental stewardship, and compassion toward fellow citizens. The youth, in particular, have a vital role in shaping India's future by promoting knowledge, innovation, discipline, and social harmony. A prosperous and secure nation is built not by words alone, but by responsible actions and unwavering dedication to the common good.

Jago Bharat. Think for India. Work for India. Build India.

TECHNOLOGY MUST ENHANCE, NOT REPLACE, HUMAN CREATIVITY: GOVERNOR SHIV PRATAP SHUKLA

Hyderabad | July 29, 2026 : Telangana Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla on Wednesday said that while Artificial Intelligence (AI) has become an integral part of modern life, it must be used to complement and strengthen human creativity rather than replace it. He made the remarks during his visit to Doordarshan Kendra, Hyderabad, where he reviewed the broadcaster's facilities and appreciated its contribution to credible public service broadcasting.

The Governor was received by N.V. Ramana, Deputy Director General (Engineering) and Head of Doordarshan Kendra, and Dr. Rahul Gaulikar, Director of the News Division, along with other senior officials. During the visit, he toured the engineering wing, television studios, and technical sections and viewed a spe-



Right to Vote is the Cornerstone of Democracy: Dy CM Bhatti Vikramarka

Vikramarka asserted that the right to vote is the cornerstone of Indian democracy and the Constitution, stating that the Congress Party is committed to ensuring every eligible citizen exercises this democratic right. He also announced that the party would intensify efforts to take the State Government's welfare schemes to every household across Telangana.



The meeting was chaired by Telangana Congress in-charge Meenakshi Natarajan and attended by Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, TPCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud, Ministers N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, Damodar Rajanarasimha, D a n a s a r i A n a s u y a Seethakka, AICC Secretary Vamsi Chander Reddy, and several senior Congress leaders.

Bhatti Vikramarka said extensive discussions were held on the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Telangana. He noted that the Booth Level Agents (BLAs) appointed by the Congress Party have been performing effectively and that the AICC appreciated their efforts. Meenakshi Natarajan directed party leaders to expedite the remaining voter registration process to ensure that all eligible voters are enrolled.

The Deputy Chief Minister said the committee also formulated a comprehensive action plan to publicize the Congress government's welfare schemes and development initiatives through the party's organizational network, ensuring that government benefits reach people at the grassroots level.

Preparations for the forthcoming Graduates' MLC elections also figured prominently in the meeting. Bhatti Vikramarka said the party resolved to accelerate graduate voter registration and adopt a transparent process for selecting MLC candidates. District in-charge ministers have been assigned the responsibility of consulting District Congress Committee (DCC) presidents, MLAs, and senior party leaders before submitting a panel of three potential candidates to the party leadership. He said the meeting concluded with clear policy decisions and implementation guidelines on voter registration, promotion of welfare schemes, organizational coordination, and election preparedness, reaffirming the Congress Party's focus on strengthening its grassroots network across Telangana.

cial presentation showcasing Doordarshan's news bulletins, public service programmes, and flagship broadcasts.

Interacting with officials, Governor Shukla praised Doordarshan's longstanding role in delivering reliable information to citizens and contributing to nation-building. He stressed that technological advancements should be embraced respon-



sibly while ensuring that quality, meaningful, and creative content remains at the heart of broadcasting.

The Governor also recorded a special interview promoting the 'Nasha Mukht Bharat' campaign, urging citizens to actively participate in the nationwide movement against substance abuse. The interview is expected to be telecast across the country shortly. Marking his first official visit to Doordarshan Kendra after assuming office as Telangana Governor, the officials felicitated him with a traditional shawl and memento.

As part of the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign, the Governor planted a sapling on the campus and appealed to citizens to actively support environmental conservation through tree plantation. Joint Secretary to the Governor K. Shashi Kiranachary also accompanied the Governor during the visit.

Rahul Gandhi Must Apologize for Calling Students 'Idiots': BJP Telangana Chief N. Ramchander Rao



use of the term "idiots" while referring to students during the parliamentary debate. He alleged that the remarks reflected disrespect toward students, whom he described as the future of the nation.

The BJP leader also criticized Rahul Gandhi's conduct in Parliament, accusing him of lacking understanding of the issues under discussion and making unsubstantiated allegations. He further alleged that Congress leaders were spreading misinformation regarding the use of rubber pellets during protests in Delhi. Referring to the Telangana statehood movement, Ramchander Rao claimed that the Congress Party was responsible for the deaths of hundreds of students and youth during different phases of the agitation.

He alleged that the then Union Government's reversal of its initial decision on Telangana had deeply affected students and intensified the movement. He questioned Congress leaders over their criticism of the BJP, asking whether students who lost their lives during the Telangana agitation under the Congress-led government were being treated differently from present-day protesters. He also criticized the Congress Party's organizational leadership and political functioning.

Ramchander Rao further alleged that the Congress government in Telangana, led by Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, had failed to fulfill the promises made to youth under the party's Youth Declaration released during the Assembly elections. He accused the government of disappointing unemployed youth and students by not implementing its commitments. Reiterating the BJP's demand, the Telangana BJP chief said Rahul Gandhi should publicly apologize to students for his remarks and urged the Congress to address concerns raised over its commitments to the youth.

Telangana Police Recruitment Board Announces 7,437 Vacancies Across Four Departments

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Protection Force (SPF), Fire, Disaster Response, Emergency & Civil Defence, and Prisons & Correctional Services Departments.

The notifications, issued from the TSLPRB headquarters at the DGP Office Complex, Lakdi-ka-Pul, cover a wide range of uniformed posts, including Sub Inspectors, Assistant Sub Inspectors, Police Constables, Fire Fighters, Station Fire Officers, Deputy Jailors, Warders, and SPF personnel.

According to the Board, the Police Department accounts for the highest number of vacancies, with 3,697 Police Constable (Civil) posts, 1,052 Police Constable (AR) posts, 148 Sub Inspector (Civil) posts, 23 Assistant Sub Inspector (FPB) posts, 14 Reserve Sub Inspector (AR) posts, 12 Reserve Sub Inspector (TGSP) posts, 3 Reserve Sub Inspector (SARCPL) posts, 24 Police Constable (SARCPL) posts, 20 Police Constable (Driver) posts, and 7 Police Constable (Mechanic) posts.

The Special Protection Force (SPF) has notified 44 Sub Inspector and 1,380 Constable vacancies. The Fire, Disaster Response, Emergency & Civil Defence Department has announced 39 Station Fire Officer and 751 Fire Fighter posts. The Prisons & Correctional Services Department will recruit 14

Deputy Jailors (Men), 1 Deputy Jailor (Women), 196 Warders (Male), and 12 Warders (Female).



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The TSLPRB stated that the online application schedule will be announced separately through a press release. Eligible candidates are advised to apply only through the official TSLPRB website after carefully verifying that they satisfy all eligibility conditions prescribed in the recruitment notifications.

The Board has also advised aspirants to undergo a medical examination by a Civil Surgeon before submitting their applications to ensure they meet the prescribed physical and medical standards, thereby avoiding disqualification during later

stages of the recruitment process.

Candidates have been instructed to keep essential documents ready, including the latest SC Community Certificate (where applicable), EWS Certificate, BC Non-Creamy Layer Certificate, Local Candidature Certificates (Bonafide or Residence Certificate), and Special Category Certificates, wherever applicable. The TSLPRB urged all interested candidates to regularly monitor its official website for updates regarding application dates, examination schedules, and subsequent stages of the recruitment process.

Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda Reviews Preparations for NEET UG Counselling 2026

Union Minister assessed the readiness of the counselling mechanism and emphasized the need for a student-centric approach. He instructed officials to take every proactive measure to promptly address candidates' concerns and ensure that the counselling process is conducted efficiently and without inconvenience.

The Ministry highlighted several student-friendly reforms introduced for this year's counselling process. These include

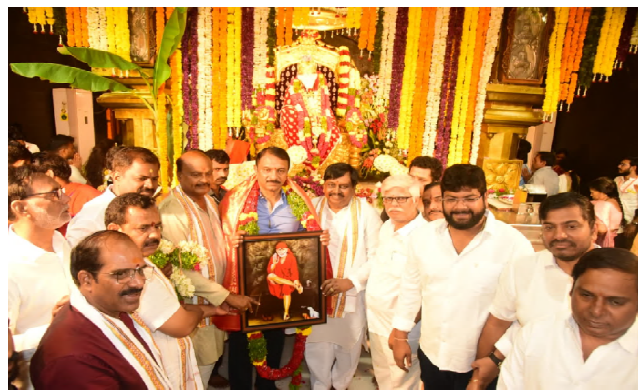


one-time physical reporting, online document verification, and enhanced support facilities for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) to make the admission process more accessible and convenient.

Nadda stressed that the Medical Counselling Committee should maintain the highest standards of transparency, fairness, and accountability while leveraging technology to improve efficiency. He said the reforms are aimed at simplifying the counselling process and providing a hassle-free experience for students seeking admission to undergraduate medical courses. The Union Health Minister reiterated the Centre's commitment to ensuring that the NEET UG Counselling 2026 process is conducted smoothly, transparently, and in a manner that safeguards the interests of every candidate.

MLA DEVIREDDY SUDHEER REDDY OFFERS GURU PURNIMA PRAYERS AT SAI BABA TEMPLES

Hyderabad | July 29, 2026 : L.B. Nagar MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy participated in special Guru Purnima celebrations on Wednesday, offering prayers



at Sai Baba temples in Dilsukhnagar and B.N. Reddy Nagar while extending greetings to devotees across the state.

At the Sai Baba Temple in Dilsukhnagar, the MLA was accorded a warm welcome by the temple committee chairman, committee members, and a large gathering of devotees. After participating in the special prayers, he prayed for the health, peace, prosperity,

and well-being of the people of Telangana. Extending Guru Purnima greetings, Sudheer Reddy said that the guidance of Gurus plays a vital role in shaping individuals and contributing to the progress of society.

He emphasized the importance of preserving the values of respect, discipline, and spiritual learning. Among those present at the Dilsukhnagar programme were Yadagirigutta Temple Trust Board Member Mallaiah, former corporator Bhavani Praveen Kumar, Gandhi Sunny Yadav, Chandrashekhar Reddy, Tilak Rao, Kiran, and several party leaders and devotees.

B.N. Reddy Nagar Division

Later, the MLA participated in another special prayer programme at the Sri Shirdi Sai Baba Temple in Sri Balaji Nagar Colony under the



B.N. Reddy Nagar Division. The event was attended by BRS Party Division President Katika Reddy Aravind Reddy, Temple Chairman Mudupu Jaya Yadagiri Reddy, Mudupu Sandeep Reddy, along with temple committee members, local leaders, and devotees. The programmes witnessed large participation from devotees, who observed Guru Purnima with traditional religious rituals and prayers.

2,873 Criminals Detected During CJP Protest: Police Intensify Surveillance..?



Hyderabad, July 29 : Police detected 2,873 individuals with criminal backgrounds during security checks conducted in connection with the CJP protest, according to official sources. The large-scale verification drive was undertaken as part of heightened security arrangements to maintain law and order during the protest. Officials stated that those identified include individuals with pending criminal cases, history-sheeters, rowdy-sheeters, and persons involved in various offences.

Police personnel carried out extensive checks at protest venues and surrounding areas using intelligence inputs and digital verification systems. Authorities said strict surveillance was maintained to prevent any untoward incidents and ensure that the protest remained peaceful. Additional police forces were deployed at sensitive locations, while special teams monitored the movement of suspected offenders.

Police emphasized that action would be taken in accordance with the law against anyone attempting to disturb public peace or engage in unlawful activities. They reiterated that public safety remains the top priority and appealed to citizens and protest participants to cooperate with security personnel. The verification drive forms part of the department's ongoing efforts to strengthen preventive policing and maintain peace during major public gatherings.



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BRS Supports National Honour Amendment Bill, Seeks Dedicated Ministry for Backward Classes

MP Vaddiraju Ravichandra Says Respect for National Symbols Strengthens Democracy, Calls for Awareness Alongside Stricter Laws

NEW DELHI, JULY 29 : BRS Parliamentary Party leader and Rajya Sabha MP Vaddiraju Ravichandra extended his party's support to the Prevention of Insults to National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026, stating that respect for the national flag, the Constitution, and the national anthem is fundamental to safeguarding India's sovereignty, democracy, and the sacrifices of countless freedom fighters.



Participating in the discussion on the Bill in the Rajya Sabha, Ravichandra said the Indian Tricolour is far more than a piece of cloth, describing it as a symbol of the ideals and sacrifices of leaders including Mahatma Gandhi, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, Bhagat Singh, Alluri Sitarama Raju, and Komaram Bheem. He recalled that the original legislation enacted in 1971 was intended to deter the deliberate insult of national symbols. However, he said the digital era has transformed the communication landscape, where a single offensive act can spread across the world within minutes through social media and

artificial intelligence, making it necessary for laws to evolve with changing times.

Clarifying that the amendment is not intended to curb freedom of expression, Ravichandra said Article 19(1)(a) of the Constitution guarantees freedom of speech while Article 19(2) permits reasonable restrictions to protect the nation's sovereignty, integrity, public order, and morality. Respecting national symbols, he argued, strengthens rather than weakens democracy.

The BRS leader observed that several democratic nations have enacted laws protecting their national flags and anthems from deliberate disrespect and said India should maintain equally strong legal safeguards. While criticism of governments is a democratic right, he stressed that no individual has the right to insult the nation's honour. Governments may change, policies may change, and political parties may change, but the nation remains eternal," Ravichandra remarked, adding that the Tricolour belongs to all 1.4 billion Indians irrespective of caste, religion, language, region, or political affiliation. At the same time, he urged the Union

Government to complement stricter legal provisions with awareness campaigns in schools, colleges, and government institutions so that citizens respect the national flag out of pride rather than fear of punishment. He also advocated stringent action against habitual offenders who intentionally and repeatedly insult national symbols.

Recalling the contribution of Pingali Venkayya, the designer of the Indian national flag, Ravichandra said future generations must remember his role in shaping one of the country's greatest symbols of unity and independence. Highlighting the contribution of the Backward Classes (BCs) to India's freedom struggle, nation-building, agriculture, industry, education, and defence, the MP urged the Central Government to establish a separate Union Ministry for BCs.

Noting that Prime Minister Narendra Modi belongs to the BC community, he appealed to the government to fulfil the long-standing demand for a dedicated ministry, describing it as a historic step toward strengthening social justice. Concluding his address, Ravichandra announced the Bharat Rashtra Samithi's full support for the Prevention of Insults to National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026, stating that protecting national symbols is synonymous with protecting the nation's identity and dignity.

BRS Alleges Misuse of HYDRAA, Demands Government Focus on Governance

MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy Questions Selective Demolitions, Cites High Court Verdict on HYDRAA Commissioner



HYDERABAD, JULY 29: BRS MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy on Tuesday launched a sharp attack on the Telangana Government over the functioning of HYDRAA, alleging that the agency was being misused for selective action while ignoring alleged encroachments by influential individuals.

Addressing a press conference at Telangana Bhavan, Sudheer Reddy said the Telangana High Court's verdict directing the removal of HYDRAA Commissioner A.V. Ranganath reflected serious concerns over the functioning of the agency.

Sudeer reddy alleged that the government had created an exaggerated narrative around HYDRAA and was using the agency according to its own convenience. While claiming to protect public assets, he said, the authorities had demolished the houses of poor families, leaving many without shelter, while allegedly sparing influential property owners. Questioning HYDRAA's actions, the BRS MLA asked why no action had been taken against properties such as Nectar Gardens and Fatima College near Durgam Cheruvu, or against buildings allegedly located within the Full Tank Level (FTL) areas of Himayat Sagar and Gandipet.

Sudheer Reddy criticized remarks attributed to the HYDRAA Commissioner suggesting that the court had been misled, stating that such comments were inappropriate. He argued that the judiciary should take serious note of such statements. He further alleged that HYDRAA's operations had contributed to uncertainty in Hyderabad's real estate sector. Clarifying that the BRS was not opposed to HYDRAA as an institution, he maintained that the agency should not be used as a tool for intimidation or political pressure.

The MLA also accused the Congress government of focusing more on criticizing the previous BRS administration than addressing governance and public issues. He urged Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and his ministers to concentrate on administration instead of making political allegations against former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao. Sudheer Reddy further alleged that several instances of settlements reached after the threat of HYDRAA action had not come into the public domain and called for greater transparency in the agency's functioning.

Uttam Kumar Reddy Holds Talks with Karnataka CM D.K. Shivakumar on Inter-State Water Issues



New Delhi, July 29: Telangana Irrigation Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) President Mahesh Kumar Goud, and AICC Secretary Sampath Kumar met Karnataka Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar at Karnataka Bhavan in New Delhi on Tuesday.

During the meeting, Uttam Kumar Reddy held detailed discussions with the Karnataka Chief Minister on key inter-state river water issues affecting Telangana and Karnataka. The leaders reviewed matters related to the sharing and management of water resources, with particular focus on the Krishna and Tungabhadra river systems.

The discussions centered on strengthening coordination between the two states to address long-pending irrigation concerns, ensure equitable utilization of river waters, and resolve issues through mutual consultation and cooperation. The meeting is viewed as significant in the context of ongoing inter-state water management, with both sides emphasizing the importance of dialogue and coordination to safeguard the interests of farmers and ensure sustainable water resource management. Senior Congress leaders present at the meeting reiterated their commitment to resolving inter-state irrigation issues through constructive engagement and cooperative federalism.

BJP MLC Anji Reddy Alleges Congress Government Has Betrayed Students and Unemployed

Hyderabad, July 29 : BJP MLC Anji Reddy launched a sharp attack on the Telangana Congress government, alleging that it has neglected students and unemployed youth while failing to fulfill key election promises. Addressing a press conference at the BJP state office, he criticized what he described as anti-student policies and the government's handling of the HYDRAA demolition drive.

Anji Reddy demanded the immediate release of nearly Rs 15,000 crore in pending fee reimbursement dues, claiming that around 60 lakh students have been affected over the past four years. He alleged that despite assurances recorded before the court to clear the dues by the 15th of the month, payments have not been made, leaving many students unable to obtain certificates or join jobs they have secured. He further accused the government of failing to deliver on promises made to unemployed youth. According to him, recruitment for nearly two lakh government jobs has been delayed, while the Telangana Public Service Commission application fee has reportedly been increased from ₹200 to Rs 1,000, adding to the financial burden on job aspirants.

The BJP leader also claimed that several welfare commitments including funding for youth development initiatives, the establish-



to minimize the effects on agriculture and rural livelihoods.

The Minister noted that farmers are adapting to the prevailing conditions by cultivating more dryland crops and showing increasing interest in oil palm cultivation as a sustainable alternative.

Speaking about the Congress Party's public outreach initiatives, Tummala said Gandhi Bhavan has become a place where people confidently bring their grievances, treat-



ing it like a temple of public service. He stated that complaints received from citizens are being forwarded to the concerned officials for prompt action.

Highlighting the party's grassroots engagement, the Minister said the Congress is conducting direct face-to-face interactions with the public—an initiative he claimed no other political party has undertaken. He added that people, particularly those from poor and middle-class families, are approaching the party with confidence that their issues will be addressed through the government's welfare-oriented approach.

Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao Hits Back at KTR Over HYDRAA Remarks

October. Tummala said the State Government has launched an extensive awareness campaign to educate people in every village about the impact of El Niño and the precautions required. He added that multiple government departments are working in close coordination



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corridors, and the immediate building premises from morning until evening.

Furthermore, there are allegations that schools are being operated in buildings originally approved for residential use rather than in structures specifically designed for educational institutions. Experts point out that residential buildings are often ill-suited to the needs of educational institutions; they may lack adequate emergency exits for safe evacuation, spacious grounds, parking facilities, and proper fire safety measures.

These circumstances have raised several questions. Are the concerned authorities conducting inspections of schools that operate without playgrounds or adequate infrastructure? Doubts are being raised as to why no action is taken against institutions that violate regulations. While some parents and civic groups attribute this situation to official negligence, others criticize the lack of action, citing the influence of corporate educational institutions.



There is also growing concern that commercial interests are taking precedence over quality in the education sector. Opinions are being voiced that schools charging exorbitant fees are placing undue pressure on students without providing even basic infrastructure. Educationists warn that the lack of adequate sports facilities—essential for students' physical development, health, and mental well-being—poses a risk of adverse long-term effects.

Parents, too, are expressing concern over this issue. They find it distressing that, despite paying exorbitant fees, their children lack basic amenities such as proper playgrounds and spacious campuses. They are urging the government to take strict measures without compromising on student safety and development.

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The public is demanding that the state government and education department officials conduct special inspections across the state to assess the infrastructure of all private educational institutions, including Sri Chaitanya schools. They call for a comprehensive review of playgrounds, building permits, safety standards, and fire safety measures, urging action against institutions that violate regulations.

However, experts suggest that it is also necessary to seek a response from the management of Sri Chaitanya Educational Institutions regarding these allegations. They believe that if the management provides an explanation concerning the actual conditions, permit details, and facilities provided to students, the full picture will emerge.

Nothing is more important than the future, safety, and holistic development of students. Public confidence in the education system will grow only if regulations are implemented on the ground rather than remaining confined to rulebooks. Otherwise, the onus will fall on the administrative machinery to answer the question: "How were permissions granted to Sri Chaitanya schools that lack playgrounds?"

BRS Demands Inquiry into Security Review Committee Decisions



Supplies Corporation. He further alleged that after exposing alleged irregularities in government schemes, including claims relating to the Civil Supplies Corporation and residential school infrastructure, the former MLA came under increasing pressure. According to the BRS leader, Sudarshan Reddy approached the court after the reduction of his security and obtained interim relief. However, he alleged that authorities informed him the matter fell under the jurisdiction of the State Intelligence wing rather than local police.

Praveen Kumar questioned the criteria adopted by the Security Review Committee, alleging that security cover had been withdrawn from several BRS leaders, including former ministers, former MLAs, and former MPs, while being retained or provided to others. He sought an explanation for the basis on which security personnel and bulletproof vehicles were allocated.

The BRS leader demanded that the Security Review Committee's report be made public and called for the committee to be abolished, alleging that its functioning lacked transparency. He also called for a comprehensive inquiry into what he described as a conspiracy involving private individuals and business interests.

Drawing a comparison with the state's decision to pursue legal remedies in other matters, Praveen Kumar said the BRS would also approach the courts over the issue of security withdrawals and pursue legal action.

He further questioned the necessity of providing bulletproof vehicles to ministers while the government maintains that Telangana is free from extremist threats, and demanded a full-scale investigation into the state's security allocation policy.



BRS Alleges Delay in Completion of 1,000-Bedded TIMS Alwal Hospital

Party Delegation Visits Hospital, Accuses Congress Government of Postponing Public Healthcare Project

HYDERABAD, JULY 29 : A Bharat Rashtira Samithi (BRS) delegation on Tuesday visited the 1,000-bedded Telangana Institute of Medical Sciences (TIMS) Hospital at Alwal, alleging that the Congress government has delayed the completion and operationalization of the healthcare facility initiated during the previous BRS administration led by former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao (KCR). Speaking to the media during the visit, BRS official spokesperson Dr. Manne Krishank criticized the state government for not completing the remaining works despite repeated assurances that the hospital would be made operational at the earliest.

Dr. Krishank recalled that Roads & Buildings Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy had inspected the hospi-

tal nearly ten months after the Congress government assumed office and had publicly stated that around 90 percent of the construction work had already been completed. However, he alleged that the remaining works have still not been finished, delaying the opening of the hospital for public use.

The BRS leader alleged that Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy's stated intention of removing the legacy of the previous BRS government had resulted in the prolonged delay of the healthcare project. He claimed that instead of dedicating the fully equipped hospital to the people at the earliest, the government was intentionally postponing its inauguration.

Dr. Krishank also criticized the police for objecting to the BRS delegation's visit

following a complaint from the local Congress MLA. He alleged that the police insisted on prior permission to inspect the hospital and argued that every citizen has the democratic right to visit a public institution constructed with taxpayers' money.

The BRS further alleged that electricity supply to the hospital premises was disconnected during the delegation's visit, describing the action as unnecessary and politically motivated. The party urged the state government to complete the remaining works without further delay and immediately open the 1,000-bed TIMS Alwal Hospital for public healthcare services.

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MLA DEVIREDDY SUDHEER REDDY RESPONDS TO DRAINAGE ISSUE IN BHAGYANAGAR COLONY

Hyderabad | July 29, 2026 : L.B. Nagar MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy on Wednesday visited Bhagyanagar Colony in the Lingoiguda Division after residents complained of severe inconvenience caused by rainwater mixed with drainage water stagnating on a road near the Hanuman Temple for the past two days.

During the inspection, local residents informed the MLA that even after the accumulated water was cleared, it continued

to flow back onto the road, creating unhygienic conditions and disrupting daily movement. Responding immediately, Sudheer Reddy contacted officials of the Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (Water Works) and directed them to inspect the underground trunk drainage line extending from Indra Nagendra to SBI Bank to identify the source of the problem.



Acting on his instructions, Water Works officials inspected the drainage manholes and found that debris had clogged portions of the underground drainage network, causing water to back up into the colony. After the blocked manholes were cleared, the accumulated rainwater and drainage water drained away smoothly, restoring normal conditions in the area.

Residents expressed their gratitude to the MLA and appreciated the prompt response of the officials. They also urged the authorities to undertake regular cleaning of drainage manholes to prevent similar problems during the monsoon season. Senior Lingoiguda Division leader Tilak Rao, Colony President Ramu, General Secretary Jagannatha Reddy, Raju Yadav, Jagannathan, and local residents participated during the inspection.

India Continue Intensive Preparations for England T20I Series

Shreyas Iyer leads rigorous training as Team India sharpens batting, bowling, and fielding ahead of the challenging England tour.

NEW DELHI | JULY 29, 2026 : Team India has intensified its preparations for the upcoming T20 International series against England, with captain Shreyas Iyer leading high-intensity training sessions as the squad shifts its focus from the successful Zimbabwe tour to a much tougher challenge. Following a comprehensive 3-0 series sweep over Zimbabwe, the team is determined to maintain its winning momentum against one of the strongest sides in world cricket.

The coaching staff has designed a comprehensive training programme focusing on batting depth, power-hitting, death-over finishing, bowling accuracy, and fielding excellence. Special emphasis is being placed on adapting to English playing conditions, where swing, seam movement, and variable weather often play a decisive role in the shortest format of the game. Batters have been working on building part-



nerships and accelerating the scoring rate during the final overs, while bowlers are refining yorkers, slower deliveries, and variations to counter England's aggressive batting lineup. Fielding drills have also been intensified, with players concentrating on catching, direct-hit run-outs, and overall athleticism to maintain high standards on the field.

Captain Shreyas Iyer has urged the squad to carry forward the confidence gained from the Zimbabwe series while remaining focused on continuous improvement. Head coach VVS Laxman praised the commitment shown by both senior players and emerging talents, stating that every training session is aimed at building a well-balanced and adaptable squad.

The England series is expected to provide India with a stern test and an excellent opportunity to evaluate combinations ahead of future ICC tournaments. The team management believes strong performances against quality opposition will further strengthen India's preparations for a busy international calendar. With confidence high and preparations entering the final phase, Team India will be eager to deliver another impressive performance and continue its successful run in T20 international cricket.

Indian Women's Cricket Team Nears Final Squad Selection

Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy Directs Officials to Intensify Public Awareness, Conduct Gram Sabhas, and Assign Unique 'Bhu-Aadhar' IDs

BENGALURU | JULY 29, 2026 : The Indian Women's Cricket Team has completed another crucial phase of its national training camp, with selectors and coaches closely evaluating player performances before announcing the squad for the upcoming international series. The intensive camp has focused on identifying the best team combinations while ensuring every player is prepared for the challenges of international cricket. Over the past several days, the players have participated in match simulations, tactical practice sessions, and high-intensity fitness drills designed to replicate real match conditions.



The coaching staff has been assessing batting partnerships, bowling consistency, fielding standards, and overall match awareness to finalize the strongest possible squad. Batters have concentrated on building partnerships, rotating the strike efficiently, and accelerating the scoring rate during the final overs. Bowlers, meanwhile, have worked extensively on maintaining disciplined line and length, executing variations effectively, and adapting to different match situations. Fielding

drills have also remained a priority, with emphasis on sharp catching, quick reflexes, and accurate throwing.

The selection committee is expected to reward players who have displayed consistency, fitness, and adaptability throughout the camp while maintaining a balanced blend of experienced campaigners and promising young talent. Team management believes healthy competition within the squad has raised performance standards and strengthened India's bench depth. Coaches expressed confidence that the rigorous preparation programme has equipped the players for the upcoming assignment and will help the team maintain its impressive progress in international women's cricket.

The final squad announcement is expected soon, after a comprehensive review of individual performances and team combinations. With preparations entering the final stage, the Indian Women's Cricket Team is eager to begin its next international campaign and continue building momentum ahead of future ICC tournaments, aiming to further establish itself among the world's leading cricketing nations.

D. Gukesh Fine-Tunes Game Ahead of Elite Chess Tournament

World Champion sharpens opening strategies, tactical play, and endgame skills as he prepares for his next major international challenge.



CHENNAI | JULY 29, 2026 : World Chess Champion D. Gukesh has intensified his preparations for his next elite international tournament, focusing on advanced opening analysis, tactical precision, and endgame mastery. The young Grandmaster has resumed a rigorous training schedule with his coaching team as he aims to maintain his position among the world's top chess players.

Training sessions have been carefully structured to strengthen every aspect of Gukesh's game. His team is analysing a wide range of opening variations, studying the latest trends in elite chess, and preparing strategies to counter some of the strongest Grandmasters on the international circuit. Particular attention is being given to improving flexibility in different opening systems and responding effectively to unpredictable situations over the board.

Alongside opening preparation, Gukesh has devoted considerable time to tactical exercises and complex middle-game positions. Coaches believe that maintaining sharp tactical awareness is essential when competing against world-class opponents, where a single mistake can determine the outcome of a closely contested match.

Endgame preparation has also become a major focus of the training programme. By refining technique in simplified positions and improving decision-making under time pressure, Gukesh and his team aim to convert narrow advantages into victories while defending difficult positions with confidence.

Physical fitness and mental conditioning remain integral parts of his preparation. Long practice sessions, fitness routines, and concentration exercises are designed to help him sustain peak performance during demanding tournaments that often require several hours of intense competition each day.

Following his remarkable rise to the top of world chess, Gukesh continues to inspire a new generation of Indian players. As he prepares for another elite international event, fans and experts alike will be watching closely, hoping the reigning World Champion can once again deliver outstanding performances and add another prestigious title to his growing list of achievements.

Endowments Department Announces Fresh Promotions; Minister Konda Surekha Reaffirms Commitment to Employee Welfare

Hyderabad, July 29 : Telangana Forests, Environment and Endowments Minister Konda Surekha on Tuesday reaffirmed the State Government's commitment to protecting the rights of Endowments Department employees and ensuring their welfare, stating that a comprehensive action plan is being implemented for temple preservation, priest welfare, and institutional reforms.

The Minister was addressing a promotion ceremony held at the Telangana Saraswatha Parishad Auditorium (Devulapalli Ramanuja Rao Kalamandiram) in Bogulkunta, where 48 employees were promoted as Grade-III Executive Officers (EOs), two as Grade-II EOs, and one as a Grade-I EO. She personally handed over the promotion orders to the employees.

On the occasion, Minister Surekha also distributed orders sanctioning retirement benefits, death gratuity, and marriage loans to 15 eligible temple priests and their family members under the Archaka Welfare Fund. Highlighting the government's efforts, the Minister said that under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, the Endowments Department has already issued promotion orders to 168 employees across Grade-I, Grade-II, and Grade-III Executive Officer cadres, creating renewed enthusiasm among the workforce.

She recalled that just ten days ago, appointment orders had been distributed to 191 religious personnel, including Vedic scholars, priests, temple attendants, and traditional Dolu and Sannayi artists, de-

scribing it as another example of the Congress government's commitment to strengthening the Endowments Department.

Konda Surekha said the government has significantly enhanced welfare benefits for temple priests by increasing retirement and death gratuity from ₹8 lakh to ₹12 lakh, while funeral assistance has been raised from Rs 20,000 to Rs 30,000 under the Priests' Welfare Fund.

The Minister stated that the successful conduct of the Saraswati River Adi and Antya Pushkarams has strengthened confidence in the department's capabilities. She added that detailed planning is already underway for the Godavari Pushkarams in 2027 and the Krishna Pushkarams in 2028, with the aim of organizing them on an unprecedented scale. Emphasizing administrative reforms, she said the government is simultaneously focusing on employee welfare, promotions, temple development, improved services for devotees, and transparent administration. She noted that the performance of the Endowments Department reflects the functioning of the Congress-led people's government.

Minister Surekha also directed Endowments Department Director Hanumantha Rao to prepare a proposal for instituting awards and incentives for outstanding employees on occasions such as Independence Day and Republic Day, in recognition of exemplary service. Employees at the event expressed appreciation to Minister Konda Surekha, Principal Secretary Shailaja Ramaiyer, and Endowments Department Director Hanumantha Rao for prioritizing promotions and employee welfare.

The programme was attended by Endowments Department Director Hanumantha Rao, State Institute of Temple Administration (SITA) Director Chilakapati Vijaya Raghavacharyulu, RJC Ramakrishna Rao, Deputy Commissioner Vinod Reddy, Additional Commissioners Jyothi and Srinivas, EO Association President Narendar, Temple Employees Association President Ranga Reddy, Telangana Endowments Archaka Employees JAC Convener D.V.R. Sharma, and other officials and employees.



Prabhas' 'Spirit' Continues to Make Headlines Amid Casting Speculation

HYDERABAD, July 29 : Prabhas' upcoming pan-India action drama Spirit, directed by Sandeep Reddy Vanga, continues to dominate entertainment headlines as filming progresses. The project remains one of the most anticipated Indian films, with reports indicating that nearly 40% of the shoot has been completed and production is moving ahead as scheduled.

In recent days, speculation has surrounded the film's cast following reports that Deepika Padukone is no longer associated with the project. Rumours also suggested that Katrina Kaif could join the film in a key role. However, there has been no official confirmation from the filmmakers, and subsequent reports have stated that claims about Katrina's involvement are unverified or inaccurate.

The makers have remained focused on production and have not announced any changes to the cast. Fans continue to await official updates regarding the film's remaining lineup, teaser, and release schedule. Backed by a large-scale production and featuring Prabhas in a powerful new avatar, Spirit is expected to be one of the biggest cinematic releases of 2027. Industry observers believe that every update related to the film will continue to attract widespread attention until its release.



'Ramayana' Creates History with Record Rs 75-Crore Music Rights Deal



MUMBAI, July 29 : The makers of Ramayana, one of the most ambitious Indian films ever mounted, have reportedly created history by selling the film's music rights for a record Rs 75 crore, making it the biggest audio rights deal ever for a Hindi film. The milestone further underlines the massive anticipation surrounding the mythological epic even before its theatrical release.

Directed by Nitesh Tiwari, the two-part epic stars Ranbir Kapoor as Lord Rama, Yash as Ravana, and Sai Pallavi as Sita. The film's soundtrack is composed by the legendary duo A.R. Rahman and Hans Zimmer, whose collaboration has significantly boosted the project's global appeal.

Industry reports indicate that a competitive bidding process among leading music labels culminated in the record-breaking deal, reflecting strong confidence in the film's soundtrack and its long-term commercial value. The music is expected to play a key role in the film's worldwide promotional campaign.

The music rights agreement is the latest in a series of major pre-release business deals for Ramayana, which has also secured a high-value domestic distribution arrangement ahead of its Diwali 2026 release. The project continues to set new benchmarks for Indian cinema in terms of scale, investment, and commercial expectations.

Trade analysts believe the record-setting music deal further strengthens Ramayana's position as one of the most eagerly awaited Indian films in recent years. With its star-studded cast, world-class technical team, and grand mythological narrative, the film is expected to be one of the biggest cinematic events of 2026.