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Governor seeks abundant rainfall, prosperous harvest and the welfare of Telangana during Ashada Bonalu celebrations.

HYDERABAD, August 3 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Governor Shri Shiv Pratap Shukla, accompanied by his wife Smt. Janaki Shukla, offered special prayers at the historic Sri Ujjaini Mahakali Temple in Secunderabad on Monday as part of the Ashada Bonalu festival celebrations.

Participating in the traditional rituals, the

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Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka Calls It the Second Historic Victory for SCCL Within a Month

THE JOURNALIST POST | Hyderabad | August 3, 2026 : The Telangana government on Monday described the successful allotment of the Manuguru PKOC-II Dip Side coal block to the Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) as a landmark achievement that would significantly strengthen the state's energy security and ensure the long-term expansion of the public sector mining company.

Deputy Chief Minister and Energy Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka said the successful acquisition of the block through the Union Coal Ministry's online auction marked another milestone for Singareni under the present government. He termed the achievement a "people's victory," stating that the government's consistent efforts over the past two-and-a-half years to protect and expand Singareni were now yielding tangible results. According to the Deputy Chief Minister, the Manuguru PKOC-II Dip Side block possesses reserves of approximately 120 million tonnes of high-quality G-8 grade coal, which can be mined over a period of 20 years at an estimated production capacity of 6 million tonnes annually. He said the project would play a crucial role in ensuring Telangana's future energy requirements while providing long-term operational stability to the Manuguru region.

Bhatti Vikramarka noted that the project is expected to provide employment security to nearly 2,000 workers, while simultaneously supporting the regional economy through mining-related activi-



ties. He emphasized that strengthening Singareni remains one of the government's highest priorities because of its importance to Telangana's electricity generation, industrial growth, and employment.

The Deputy Chief Minister highlighted that the latest success comes shortly after two other significant milestones achieved by Singareni. He recalled that coal production had recently commenced at the Naini coal block in Odisha, following prolonged efforts by the state government to obtain the necessary approvals and resolve pending issues with local stakeholders. He stated that when uncertainty surrounded the future of the Naini project, he personally visited Odisha, held discussions with public representatives and local communities, and facilitated the required approvals. As a result, mining operations have now begun, providing

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■ Leaders Inspect Preparations at Saroornagar Indoor Stadium Ahead of August 6 Event

THE JOURNALIST POST | Hyderabad | August 3, 2026 : Leaders of the Telangana Rakshana Sena (TRS) on Monday called upon people across the state to make the upcoming "Social Justice Telangana Resolution Meeting" (Samajika Nyaya Telangana Sankalpa Sabha) a grand success.

As part of the preparations, party leaders inspected the arrangements at the Saroornagar Indoor Stadium in Hyderabad, where the public meeting is scheduled to be held on August 6 at 10:00 a.m. During the inspection, the leaders reviewed the stage construction, seating arrangements for party

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Lokesh Condemns Alleged Crackdown on Dalits, Targets Aluru MLA Virupakshi



THE JOURNALIST POST | Amaravati | August 3, 2026 : Andhra Pradesh Minister Nara Lokesh strongly condemned the alleged crackdown on Dalit residents of Nemakallu and Sangala, accusing the ruling party's Aluru MLA Virupakshi of intimidating those who questioned his alleged actions. In a statement, Lokesh alleged that Dalits were targeted after raising objections to what he described as the MLA's "rowdiness." He further alleged that Virupakshi had stripped a Dalit woman of her clothes, calling the incident deeply shocking and stating that such actions had drawn widespread condemnation from society.

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DGP C.V. Anand Hands Over Rs 1 Crore Insurance Cheque to Family of Deceased Constable



THE JOURNALIST POST | Hyderabad | July 3, 2026 : Director General of Police C.V. Anand handed over an insurance cheque of Rs 1 crore to the family of V. Charan Kumar (PC-8968), an Armed Reserve (AR) Constable of the Malkajgiri Commissionerate, who lost his life following a road accident while on duty. Charan Kumar, a member of the 2018 batch of the Malkajgiri Commissionerate, was serving on

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Former MLA Dr. Methuku Anand Highlights Student Issues at Vikarabad Government Junior College



Urges Immediate Government Action to Improve Basic Infrastructure and Educational Facilities

THE JOURNALIST POST | VIKARABAD | August 3, 2026 : Former Vikarabad MLA Dr. Methuku Anand on Monday visited the Government Junior College in Vikarabad to assess the problems faced by students and called upon the state government to take immediate steps to improve the institution's infrastructure. During his visit, he interacted with students, listened to their grievances, and later brought the issues to the notice of the District Collector, urging prompt intervention. Expressing concern over the condition of the college, Dr. Anand said it was deeply distressing to witness negligence towards students' education and welfare.

Anand urged local MLA Gaddam Prasad to personally visit the college and ensure that all pending issues are resolved without further delay. Students informed the former MLA about several long-pending problems, including the lack of adequate toilet facilities, an insufficient number of classrooms, and the practice of conducting classes for two different groups in a single classroom due to space constraints. They also highlighted that some students are forced to sit on staircases during lectures because of overcrowding.

Dr. Anand also pointed out that the construction of 10 additional classrooms, which had earlier been sanctioned with an allocation

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EDITORIAL

Wake Up, Bharatiyans!

India's strength lies in the unity, vigilance, and responsibility of its citizens. The youth, in particular, must remain alert to any attempts—whether from within or outside the country—that seek to create division, spread misinformation, weaken democratic values, or undermine national unity for narrow interests. Every claim should be examined with critical thinking, verified facts, and respect for the rule of law.

True patriotism is reflected not only in words but in actions that protect the nation's integrity, uphold the Constitution, respect diversity, and contribute to peace, progress, and development. A strong and united India is built by informed citizens who place the nation's welfare above hatred, misinformation, and selfish interests.

Wake up, Bharatiyans! Stay informed. Stay united. Stand for truth. Stand for India.

Former MLA Dr. Methuku Anand Highlights Student Issues at Vikarabad Government Junior College

of Rs 1 crore during his tenure, has remained incomplete. He said the delay has significantly affected the learning environment and urged the authorities to resume and complete the works at the earliest.

Stating that providing quality education and basic amenities is the government's foremost responsibility, Dr. Anand alleged that the continued neglect of the college reflects a failure to safeguard students' future. He appealed to the government to address the issues on a priority basis and ensure that students receive the facilities necessary for quality education.

Singareni Secures Manuguru PKOC-II Dip Side Block in Major Boost for Telangana's Energy Security

Singareni with coal reserves expected to support operations for the next 36 years.

Bhatti Vikramarka also referred to the recent revival of the Tadicherla-II coal block, stating that although mining permissions had originally been granted during the UPA government in 2013, the project remained neglected for several years. Following consultations with the Union Government after the present administration assumed office, the mining lease was finally secured last month. According to the government, the Tadicherla-II block contains approximately 336 million tonnes of coal reserves, sufficient to sustain mining operations for nearly 45 years, thereby substantially strengthening Singareni's long-term production capacity. Describing these developments collectively, the Deputy Chief Minister said Singareni had registered two historic victories within a single month, giving fresh momentum to one of Telangana's most important public sector enterprises.

Bhatti Vikramarka alleged that previous administrations had failed to adequately safeguard Singareni's interests by not encouraging the company to actively participate in coal block auctions. He claimed that valuable coal assets had either remained inaccessible or were allowed to move towards private allocation during earlier periods. He asserted that the present government had reversed that approach by ensuring Singareni actively participated in competitive auctions, enabling the company to secure a new coal block after nearly 12 years.

The Deputy Chief Minister further stated that securing the Manuguru PKOC-II Dip Side block would significantly contribute to Telangana's energy security by ensuring a stable supply of high-grade thermal coal for state power generation over the next two decades. He explained that the Manuguru mining region has historically played a critical role in Singareni's operations, and the newly acquired block would safeguard the long-term future of mining activities in the area. The project is also expected to support local employment, strengthen ancil-

lary industries, and stimulate economic activity across the region.

Bhatti Vikramarka reiterated that the government's broader objective is not only to protect existing coal reserves but also to expand Singareni's footprint beyond Telangana. He said the company is preparing a long-term strategy to acquire additional coal blocks in other states while also exploring opportunities in the mining of critical minerals essential for future industrial development.



The Deputy Chief Minister announced that the government's next objective would be to secure the Koyagudem-III and Sathupalli-III coal blocks for Singareni. He expressed confidence that continuous engagement with the Union Government and active participation in future auctions would help the company further strengthen its resource base. He added that under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, the government remains committed to protecting Singareni as a strategic public sector enterprise by expanding coal reserves, enhancing employment opportunities, modernising mining operations, and ensuring uninterrupted coal availability for Telangana's thermal power sector.

Bhatti Vikramarka congratulated the management of Singareni, its employees, trade unions, engineers, and mining staff for successfully securing the Manuguru PKOC-II Dip Side block. He said the collective efforts of the workforce and management had played a significant role in achieving this milestone. The government maintained that strengthening Singareni would continue to remain a priority in order to ensure sustainable coal production, employment security, industrial growth, and long-term energy stability for Telangana. Officials indicated that future expansion plans would also focus on diversification into critical mineral exploration and acquisition of additional mining assets outside the state, positioning Singareni as a stronger national mining enterprise in the years ahead.

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leaders and supporters, parking facilities, and other logistical preparations to ensure the smooth conduct of the meeting. They said senior party leaders, including Telangana Rakshana Sena President Kalvakuntla Kavitha, are expected to participate and address the gathering on issues relating to social justice and political representation.

Speaking to the media after the inspection, party leaders Naresh Prajapati, Kola Srinivas, and Ettari Marayya said the meeting would focus on achieving social justice for all sections of society in Telangana. They asserted that Kalvakuntla Kavitha has been consistently advocating greater political representation for underrepresented communities and has raised their concerns on various platforms.



The leaders claimed that Kavitha has worked towards ensuring that communities which had historically remained without representation in the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council receive due recognition and opportunities. They said the proposed meeting would outline the party's future course of action to strengthen social justice initiatives across the state.

Several Telangana Rakshana Sena leaders, party workers, and volunteers also participated in the inspection of the venue and reviewed the ongoing arrangements for the event.

Vakiti Srihari Directs Quality Power Supply for Agriculture, Orders One Substation for Every Two Villages

Minister reviews electricity infrastructure in Narayanpet and Wanaparthy districts; seeks uninterrupted power and transformer upgrades across Makthal constituency.

HYDERABAD, August 3 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Minister Vakiti Srihari on Monday directed Electricity Department officials to ensure uninterrupted and high-quality power supply for the agricultural sector while reviewing electricity infrastructure in Narayanpet and Wanaparthy districts at his camp office in Hyderabad. During the review meeting, attended by officials from both districts, the Minister emphasized that reliable electricity is essential for farmers and instructed the department to prevent disruptions in agricultural power supply.

He directed officials to ensure continuous three-phase electricity for both irrigation and drinking water schemes. Highlighting the need to strengthen rural power infrastructure, Vakiti Srihari ordered the establishment of one electricity substation for every two villages across the seven mandals of the Makthal Assembly constituency. He said the initiative would improve power distribution and reduce outages in rural

areas.

The Minister also instructed officials to undertake a special drive to relocate transformers currently installed at ground level onto raised platforms to enhance safety and prevent damage



during adverse weather conditions. He directed that the works be completed on a war footing. To improve village infrastructure, Vakiti Srihari ordered the installation of timers for streetlights to ensure scheduled operation and instructed officials to repair all non-functional lights without delay. He also directed the relocation of power lines passing dangerously close to

residential houses and asked officials to shift electricity poles obstructing roads wherever necessary.

Emphasizing responsive public service, the Minister instructed the department to address electricity-related complaints promptly and ensure adequate staffing to improve service delivery. He further directed officials to provide uninterrupted electricity to all schools in the constituency and ensure that burial grounds of all religious communities are equipped with proper electric lighting. Stating that Makthal had remained neglected for several years, Vakiti Srihari said his objective was to transform the constituency into a model region in terms of electricity infrastructure and quality power supply.

Senior officials from the Electricity Departments of Narayanpet and Wanaparthy districts briefed the Minister on the current power supply situation and ongoing development works during the meeting.

Lok Sabha Passes Bill to Increase Supreme Court Judges from 34 to 38

the Chief Justice of India. The legislation was approved amid protests by opposition members in the House.

The government said the move is aimed at strengthening the country's highest judicial institution by addressing the growing pendency of cases and improving the speed of justice delivery. It maintained that the increased judicial strength would enable the Supreme Court to handle a larger volume of cases more efficiently.

During the debate, the government argued that the expansion was necessary in view of the rising workload before the apex court and the increasing complexity of constitutional, civil, criminal, and commercial matters. It added that augmenting the court's sanctioned strength would help reduce delays in the disposal of cases.

Opposition members, however, staged protests during the proceedings over various issues while the bill was taken up for consideration and passed by the Lower House. Following its passage in the Lok Sabha, the bill will require approval from the Rajya Sabha before being sent to the President of India for assent, after which it will become law.

Engineering Graduates, BRS Leaders Condemn CM Revanth Reddy's Remarks on Engineering Students

Demand Rahul Gandhi's Apology Over 'Criminal Waste' Comment

THE JOURNALIST POST | Hyderabad | August 3, 2026 : Engi-



neering graduates and leaders of the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) on Monday strongly condemned Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy's reported remarks referring to engineering students as "criminal waste," describing the comments as insulting to the engineering community and the youth of the state.

Addressing a press conference at Telangana Bhavan in Hyderabad, the participants alleged that the Chief Minister's remarks had hurt the sentiments of engineering students, graduates, faculty members, and their families.

They demanded that Congress leader Rahul Gandhi issue an immediate public apology over the controversy and clarify the party's stand on the matter. The speakers maintained that engineering students play a vital role in the

country's technological and economic development and said that remarks perceived as demeaning the community were unacceptable. They urged the Congress leadership to withdraw the statement and tender an unconditional apology.

The press conference was attended by Chirumalla Rakesh Kumar, Gellu Srinivas Yadav, Enugula Rakesh Reddy, Putta Vishnuvardhan Reddy, Dinesh Chowdary, Kishore Goud, Harish Reddy, Patimida Jagan Mohan Rao, Y. Satish Reddy, Ravi Naik, Raghuram, Totla Swami Yadav, Padala Satish, Karthik Rayala, Chatari Dasharath, Jangayya, and several other engineering graduates and BRS leaders.

Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla Offers Prayers at Sri Ujjaini Mahakali Temple During Bonalu



Governor and his wife offered Bonam and Pattu Vastralu to Goddess Sri Ujjaini Mahakali and performed special prayers with devotion, seeking the blessings of the presiding deity for the welfare and prosperity of the people of Telangana.

During the prayers, Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla prayed for timely and abundant rainfall, a bountiful agricultural harvest, and the well-being of the farming community. He also sought the Goddess's blessings for peace, good health, happiness, communal harmony, and the overall development of the State.

The Governor and Smt. Janaki Shukla were accorded traditional temple honours by the temple priests amid the chanting of Vedic hymns. Following the rituals, the priests blessed the couple and presented them with Theertha Prasadam. Endowments Commissioner M. Hanumantha Rao, District Collector Dr. Priyanka Ala, and members of the temple committee were present on the occasion.

The Sri Ujjaini Mahakali Bonalu festival is one of Telangana's most significant religious celebrations, attracting thousands of devotees from across the State every year.

DGP C.V. Anand Hands Over Rs 1 Crore Insurance Cheque to Family of Deceased Constable

deputation with the Eagle Force when the accident occurred. According to officials, on the night of September 22-23, 2025, while returning after completing his official duties, he sustained severe injuries in a road accident near Devarkar village in Maharashtra. He suffered critical head injuries and serious injuries to his right leg. After receiving initial medical treatment locally, he was shifted to Yashoda Hospital in Hyderabad for advanced care.

Doctors performed plastic surgery, and he was discharged on October 28, 2025 following treatment. However, shortly after returning home, Charan Kumar suddenly collapsed and lost consciousness. His family immediately rushed him back to Yashoda Hospital, where doctors declared him dead. To provide financial security to the bereaved family, Eagle Force Director Sandeep Shandilya, SP Raghuv eer, Additional SP Krishnamurthy, and other officials coordinated with the State Bank of India (SBI) to facilitate the insurance claim process. Presenting the insurance cheque, DGP C.V. Anand conveyed his heartfelt condolences to the family and assured them of the police department's continued support.

Bhatti Vikramarka Invites Telangana Diaspora to Invest in State at ATA Convention in Baltimore

diaspora to contribute to the development of Telangana by investing in the state and sharing their expertise, assuring them of swift approvals, government support, and a business-friendly environment. Addressing the 19th American Telugu Association (ATA) National Convention at the Baltimore Convention Center in Maryland, USA, where he attended as the Chief Guest, Bhatti Vikramarka urged Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) to "repay the debt to their motherland" by participating in Telangana's growth story.

He said the state government, under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, is committed to transforming Telangana into a globally competitive economy and invited NRIs to become partners in that journey. We have established a single-window system for investors. All approvals will be granted quickly, and the Telangana government will extend complete support. We will stand by every industrial and social initiative you undertake," the Deputy Chief Minister said, adding that he had been deputed by the Chief Minister to personally invite the diaspora to invest in Telangana.

Bhatti Vikramarka said the Congress government has adopted a long-term vision of transforming Telangana into a \$3

trillion economy by 2047 through industrial expansion, world-class infrastructure, and human resource development.



Highlighting major infrastructure initiatives, he said the government is undertaking the comprehensive rejuvenation of the 56-kilometre Musi River in Hyderabad on the lines of London's River Thames. The project, he said, aims to restore clean water flow while transforming Hyderabad into a modern urban destination. He also pointed to the state's expanding transport infrastructure, recalling that projects such as the Outer Ring Road and the Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, developed during the tenure of former Chief Minister Dr. Y.S. Rajasekhara Reddy, have become major assets for Telangana's economy.

The Deputy Chief Minister said the government is now focusing on constructing the Regional Ring Road (RRR), developing 36 radial roads, and building the proposed Future City adjacent to Hyderabad, Secunderabad, and Cyberabad as part of its long-term urban development strategy.

Emphasising that education remains central to Telangana's development, Bhatti Vikramarka said the government has launched the Young India Integrated Residential Schools initiative to provide international-standard education to children from ordinary families. He explained that one resi-



dential school is being established in each of the state's 100 Assembly constituencies, with every campus spread across 25 acres at an estimated cost of Rs 200 crore. He invited members of the Telugu diaspora to participate in strengthening the initiative and contribute to educational development in their native places.

The Deputy Chief Minister also announced that the government is considering the creation of a legally empowered special mechanism for resolving issues faced by NRIs and their families residing in Telangana. Responding to concerns raised by members of the diaspora during the convention, he assured that the proposed institutional framework would facilitate quicker resolution of grievances concerning property, administration, and other matters affecting Telangana-origin families living abroad.

Bhatti Vikramarka further appealed to NRIs to actively participate in the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls being conducted in Telangana. He informed the gathering that eligible Telangana citizens living anywhere in the world could register or update their voter details through the online portal and urged all NRIs to exercise their democratic rights by ensuring their names are included in the electoral rolls.

The Deputy Chief Minister said Telangana is progressing rapidly to compete not only with other Indian states but also with developed nations worldwide, adding that the government remains committed to creating a globally competitive investment ecosystem supported by transparent governance, modern infrastructure, and investor-friendly policies.

Maresh Kumar Goud Says Bankipur By-election Verdict Reflects Public Mood Against BJP

TPCC President Describes Congress Victories in Bankipur and Datia By-polls as Triumphs for Democracy

THE JOURNALIST POST | Hyderabad | August 3, 2026 : Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) President Maresh Kumar Goud on Monday described the outcome of the Bankipur Assembly by-election in Bihar as a significant political setback for the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), stating that the verdict reflected growing public dissatisfaction with the ruling party's governance.

Addressing the media, Maresh Kumar Goud said the Bankipur by-election result was not confined to a single constituency but carried wider political significance for the country. He alleged that the verdict represented a strong message from the electorate against what he termed the BJP's authoritarian style of governance at both the Centre and in Bihar.



He noted that Bankipur had been regarded as a BJP stronghold for nearly three

decades and said the defeat in the constituency, which became vacant following the resignation of BJP leader Nitin Nabin after his election to the Rajya Sabha, was politically significant.

According to the TPCC chief, the verdict reflected public concern over issues such as unemployment, rising prices, farmers' problems, governance, and the alleged mis-

use of power. He said the outcome demonstrated that voters ultimately judge governments based on their performance rather than political campaigns.

Maresh Kumar Goud further asserted that the by-election result indicated that people across the country were looking for an alternative political direction and were increasingly placing their confidence in the Congress party. He said the Congress would continue to focus on addressing public issues, promoting social justice, safeguarding constitutional values, and pursuing inclusive development.

Referring to the Datia Assembly by-election in Madhya Pradesh, he described the Congress party's victory as another important democratic mandate despite the BJP being in power in the state. He congratulated the voters of Bankipur and Datia, stating that the ultimate victory in a democracy always belongs to the people.

102 Complaints Received at 'Praja Vani'; Collector Narayana Reddy Orders Swift Resolution



RANGA REDDY, August 3 (The Journalist Post): A total of 102 public grievances were received during the 'Praja Vani' public grievance redressal programme held on Monday at the conference hall of the Integrated District Offices Complex in Ranga Reddy district.

People from various parts of the district submitted representations directly to District Collector C. Narayana Reddy, seeking solutions to issues related to revenue administration and other government departments. Reviewing the petitions, the Collector instructed officials from the concerned departments to accord top priority to every representation received from the public and ensure that all grievances are resolved without delay. He directed officials to regularly monitor the petitions, prevent them from remaining pending, and dispose of them within the stipulated timeframe.

Emphasizing the importance of responsive governance, Narayana Reddy said officials must discharge their responsibilities with accountability and focus on providing timely relief to citizens through effective grievance redressal. According to official figures, 102 applications were received during the programme, including 33 petitions related to the Revenue Department and 69 concerning other government departments. Additional District Collectors Chandra Reddy and Kiranmayi, District Revenue Officer Sarada, district-level officials from various departments, Collectorate superintendents, and other concerned officers attended the programme.

TPCC Leader Sama Rammohan Reddy Levels Sharp Allegations Against Harish Rao

Congress Leader Claims BRS Is Resorting to 'Occult Politics'; Urges Public Not to Be Misled

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Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) Media Committee Chairman Sama Rammohan Reddy on Monday launched a sharp attack on senior BRS leader T. Harish Rao, alleging that he had been performing tantric and occult rituals with the intention of creating political instability and hardship for the people of Telangana.

Addressing the media in Hyderabad, Rammohan Reddy alleged that Harish Rao had performed a series of tantric rituals at different locations, including Tiruchirappalli and Shivamogga, on multiple occasions during 2026. He claimed

that these rituals were aimed at bringing misfortune to the state and questioned the reasons behind the alleged activities.

The TPCC leader said Harish Rao



should publicly explain why he had allegedly undertaken such rituals and for whose benefit they were being performed. He also called upon Kalvakuntla Kavitha to clarify her stand on the matter.

Rammohan Reddy further alleged that the BRS leadership was attempting

to create unrest among farmers, women, and youth and accused the opposition party of spreading negativity because it was no longer in power.

He claimed that certain BRS leaders had been making statements expressing hope that rainfall would fail, alleging that such remarks reflected the party's attitude toward the state's welfare. He asserted that Telangana was witnessing good rainfall and development under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy.

The Congress leader maintained that the people of Telangana, particularly farmers, women, and youth, continued to support the Congress government. He urged the public not to be influenced by what he described as attempts by the opposition to create confusion and unrest.

Bankipur By-election Verdict Reflects Democratic Spirit, Says Minister Ponnam Prabhakar

Transport and BC Welfare Minister Says BJP's Defeat in Bihar Signals Changing Public Mood

THE JOURNALIST POST | Hyderabad | August 3, 2026 : Telangana Transport and BC Welfare Minister Ponnam Prabhakar on Monday described the BJP's defeat in the Bankipur Assembly by-election in Bihar as a significant political development, stating that the outcome reflected the strength of democracy and changing public sentiment.

In a statement, the Minister said the result in Bankipur, a constituency long regarded as a BJP stronghold and associated with BJP leader Nitin Nabin, carried national political significance. He noted that the defeat demonstrated that voters ultimately decide electoral outcomes regardless of political influence or campaign intensity.

Ponnam Prabhakar said the victory of Jan Suraaj Party leader Prashant Kishor in the constituency indicated

growing public dissatisfaction and represented a democratic verdict against what he described as the BJP's "arrogance of power."

He observed that the Bankipur by-election showed that official machinery, political campaigns, and the advantages of incumbency cannot override the will of the electorate. According to him, the verdict serves as a reminder that governments must remain responsive to public concerns.



Ponnam Prabhakar asserted that the Bankipur verdict was more than the outcome of a single by-election and symbolized the people's commitment to democratic values. He said the electorate would continue to hold governments accountable through the democratic process.

The Minister further claimed that issues such as unemployment, students' concerns, and the problems faced by youth and ordinary citizens were increasingly influencing public opinion. Referring to recent student protests in New Delhi, he said they reflected broader dissatisfaction among sections of the youth.

CC Road Construction Launched in Sangareddy Municipality's 15th Ward

Municipal Chairperson Koona Vanitha Santhosh Says Infrastructure Development Will Continue

THE JOURNALIST POST | Sangareddy | August 3, 2026 : Municipal Chairperson Koona Vanitha Santhosh on Monday inaugurated the construction of a cement concrete (CC) road in the 15th Ward of the Sangareddy Municipality, reaffirming the Congress government's commitment to strengthening civic infrastructure.

The inaugural rituals were performed by Ward Councilor Sushmitha Prashanth in the presence of local public representatives



and Congress leaders. Among those present were DCC President Nirmala Jaggareddy, Town Congress President Kiran Goud, Councilors Shailesh Reddy, Nawaz, and Veena Kiran, Con-

gress leaders Rajampet Srinivas, Kasini Raju, and Mohan, Town Minority President Arif, and SC Cell leaders Chinna, Manoj, Imtiyaz, and Mujeeb, along with local residents. Speaking on the occasion, the leaders said the Congress party is committed to improving basic civic amenities across the municipality.

They stated that road infrastructure development remains a priority and assured residents that development works aimed at providing better connectivity and improved public facilities would continue without interruption. They expressed confidence that the new CC road would enhance transportation, improve commuting conditions, and benefit residents of the ward.

Ponguleti Calls for Expeditious Completion of Seethamma Sagar Project



HYDERABAD, August 3 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Minister for Revenue, Housing, Information and Public Relations Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy has directed officials to expedite the construction of the Seethamma Sagar Irrigation Project on the Godavari River in Khammam district, describing it as a crucial initiative for the farming community.

The Minister participated in a high-level review meeting on the progress of the Seethamma Sagar project, chaired by Irrigation and Civil Supplies Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy at the State Secretariat on Monday. Addressing the meeting, Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy said the Seethamma Sagar project is a long-awaited irrigation scheme that farmers of the erstwhile Khammam district have been expecting for decades. He stated that the completion of the project would significantly strengthen agriculture in Khammam and Bhadradri Kothagudem districts while benefiting surrounding regions through improved irrigation facilities.

The Minister instructed officials to prepare a comprehensive action plan to ensure the project is completed within the stipulated timeframe. He emphasized that all concerned departments should work in close coordination to accelerate construction and remove any bottlenecks affecting the project's progress. Ponguleti said the State Government is committed to completing the prestigious irrigation project on a war footing and dedicating it to the farming community at the earliest.

He noted that timely completion of the project would enhance irrigation potential, improve agricultural productivity, and contribute to the overall development of the region. The review meeting focused on the current status of construction works, project timelines, and measures required to expedite implementation.

Lokesh Condemns Alleged Crackdown on Dalits, Targets Aluru MLA Virupakshi

The atrocities and attacks allegedly committed by Virupakshi cannot escape legal punishment," Lokesh said, demanding strict action against those responsible. He asserted that justice should be ensured for the affected Dalit families and emphasized that those accused of committing atrocities against marginalized communities must be held accountable under the law. Lokesh also expressed solidarity with the affected Dalit community, stating that support would continue for those seeking justice. The allegations come amid heightened political tensions in the region. There was no immediate response from MLA Virupakshi regarding the claims at the time of publication.

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Kishan Reddy Congratulates Singareni on Securing PKOC-2 Dip-side Coal Block

Union Minister Says New Coal Block Will Strengthen Telangana's Energy Security and Singareni's Future Growth

THE JOURNALIST POST | New Delhi | August 3, 2026 :

Union Coal and Mines Minister G. Kishan Reddy on Monday welcomed the allocation of the PKOC-2 (Prakasam Khani Open Cast) Dip-side coal block near Manuguru in Bhadradri Kothagudem district to Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL), describing it as a significant milestone for the company and Telangana's energy sector.

In a press statement, the Union Minister congratulated Singareni workers, their families, trade union representatives, company officials, and the people of Telangana on what he termed a historic achievement. He said the allocation fulfilled a long-standing aspiration of the Singareni workforce and would provide a major boost to the company's long-term growth.

Kishan Reddy said the allocation followed the successful addition of the Naini coal block in Odisha and the Tadicherla-2 coal block to Singareni's portfolio. He noted that demands had been raised by workers and trade unions to secure the PKOC-2 Dip-side block as well, adding that special efforts were made to achieve the objective. According to the Minister, the auction process concluded on August 3, resulting in the allocation of the Manuguru PKOC-2 Dip-side block to Singareni. He stated that the block contains an estimated 180 million tonnes of coal reserves and is expected to operate for 25 years, producing around 6 million tonnes of coal annually.

The Minister said the project is expected to generate em-



ployment for nearly 2,000 people, while the extraction of G-8 grade coal is projected to generate revenue exceeding Rs 43,000 crore, with the Telangana Government expected to receive more than Rs 10,500 crore through various revenue streams. Kishan Reddy stated that the new block would strengthen Telangana's energy security, improve Singareni's financial position, enhance job security for employees, and support industrial growth across South India by ensuring a stable coal supply.

Highlighting the cumulative impact of recent allocations, the Minister said that with the acquisition of the Naini, Tadicherla-2, and PKOC-2 Dip-side coal blocks, Singareni now has access to approximately 860 million tonnes of coal reserves. He said the three blocks together are expected to Provide livelihoods to around 6,500 people. "Enable annual coal production of approximately 22 million tonnes over an average period of 35 years. Generate revenue exceeding Rs 1.95 lakh crore for Singareni. Contribute more than Rs 48,000 crore to the Telangana Government. The Union Minister said the successful acquisition of the three coal blocks, with the support of the Central Government under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, would significantly strengthen Singareni's future and contribute to Telangana's economic and industrial development.

Uttam Sets Six-Month Target to Secure Environmental Clearances for Four Major Irrigation Projects

Minister directs fast-tracked action on PRLIS, Sitarama, Dindi and Gouravelli following Supreme Court verdict; orders Polavaram backwater studies and Gouravelli pump house readiness.

HYDERABAD, August 3 (The Journalist Post) : Telangana Irrigation and Civil Supplies Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy on Monday directed officials to adopt a focused and time-bound approach to secure pending environmental clearances for four major irrigation projects—Palamuru-Rangareddy Lift Irrigation Scheme (PRLIS), Sitarama Sagar, Dindi, and Gouravelli—following the recent Supreme Court judgment that laid down fresh guidelines for environmental clearance procedures.

Chairing a high-level review meeting at the State Secretariat, the Minister said the Supreme Court verdict had created a significant opportunity for states to pursue eligible irrigation projects through a clearly defined legal framework. He instructed officials to expedite project-specific proposals with the Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) and other statutory authorities. Revenue Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy, Transport and BC Welfare Minister Ponnampallabhar, and Member of Parliament Balam Naik participated in the review meeting. Referring to the Supreme Court judgment, Uttam Kumar Reddy said projects possessing valid environmental clearances would continue to remain protected, while pending applications could now be processed in accordance with the court's directions.

He instructed officials to re-examine previously rejected proposals and resubmit them wherever legally permissible after rectifying technical and procedural deficiencies. The Minister said the landmark judgment, which has nationwide implications for environmental clearances, followed Telangana's sustained legal efforts to secure approvals for its irrigation projects. He directed the department to strengthen

its Inter-State Wing with adequate legal, technical and environmental expertise to pursue clearances before the Union Government, National Green Tribunal (NGT), Supreme Court and other statutory forums.



officers and consolidate all available project records within seven days. Updated environmental studies, compliance reports, land records and legal documentation are to be completed within 30 days, while major administrative and application-processing stages should be concluded within 60 days.

The Minister set a target of securing project-specific environmental clearances within six months, subject to statutory procedures. He also ordered weekly progress reports and monthly senior-level reviews to monitor implementation. He stressed that there should be no delay in preparing Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA), rehabilitation and resettlement (R&R) plans, forest-clearance documents, land acquisition records and legal submissions required for ongoing court proceedings. Officials were instructed to maintain complete documentation relating to every project, including original environmental clearances, redesigns, expansions, pending litigation, compliance requirements and statutory obligations. Gouravelli and Sitarama Projects Reviewing the Gouravelli Project, the Minister directed engineers to ensure that the pump house is kept in complete operational readiness. He ordered inspections, testing, repairs and standard operating procedures to be completed well in advance. Engineering teams were also instructed to inspect both left and right canal systems, identify bottlenecks affecting water flow, and prepare estimates for essential works including canal excavation, bund-cutting, road crossings, bridges and water release points. For the Sitarama Sagar Project, the Minister instructed officials to immediately update all environmental studies and documentation so that construction can resume without delay once statutory clearances are obtained. He issued similar directions for the Palamuru-Rangareddy Lift Irrigation Scheme and Dindi Project, asking dedicated project teams to coordinate documentation, legal compliance and follow-up with Union authorities. Legal Strategy and Polavaram Backwater Studies

The Minister directed officials to work closely with the State's legal advisers,

THE JOURNALIST POST TODAY'S **GOLD, SILVER & DIAMOND RATES - INDIA** **TUESDAY AUGUST 04 2026** **DATELINE: HYDERABAD / NEW DELHI**

GOLD RATES (Per 10 Grams)		
CITY	24 CARAT (99.9%)	22 CARAT (91.6%)
HYDERABAD (TELANGANA)	₹1,61,800	₹1,49,200
VIJAYAWADA (ANDHRA PRADESH)	₹1,61,800	₹1,49,200
MUMBAI	₹1,62,200	₹1,49,600
DELHI	₹1,62,700	₹1,50,100

SILVER RATES (Per 1 Kilogram)	
CITY	SILVER (₹ KG)
HYDERABAD	₹2,78,000
VIJAYAWADA	₹2,78,000
MUMBAI	₹2,74,000
DELHI	₹2,74,000

DIAMOND RATES (INDICATIVE RETAIL PRICE)	
DIAMOND SIZE	APPROX. PRICE
0.25 CARAT	₹20,000 - ₹60,000
0.50 CARAT	₹60,000 - ₹2,00,000
1.00 CARAT	₹2,00,000 - ₹10,00,000+

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Gold prices remain firm on global uncertainty and safe haven demand. Silver prices supported by industrial demand and tight supply. Diamond prices vary based on the 4Cs - Cut, Clarity, Colour & Carat.

INDIAN SHARE MARKET UPDATE (Previous Closing)
BSE SENSEX: 87,366.29 (+742.01 / +0.86%)
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INDIA markets closed higher with gains in banking, IT and auto stocks. Investors remain optimistic on economic growth outlook and corporate earnings.

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Active Southwest Monsoon; Heavy Rain Alerts Across Many States

INDIA WEATHER MAP

RAINFALL ALERT
Heavy Rain (≥ 100 mm)
Very Heavy (≥ 200 mm)
Heavy (50 - 100 mm)
Moderate (20 - 50 mm)
Light (< 20 mm)

MAHARASHTRA WEATHER

City	Weather	Temp
New Delhi	Thunderstorm	30° / 24°
Mumbai	Heavy Rain	25° / 20°
Bangalore	Moderate Rain	28° / 22°
Hyderabad	Heavy Rain	24° / 21°
Chennai	Heavy Rain	27° / 22°
Kolkata	Heavy Rain	26° / 24°
Jaipur	Thunderstorm	28° / 20°
Ahmedabad	Heavy Rain	27° / 23°
Pune	Moderate Rain	22° / 28°

AIR QUALITY INDEX (AQI)

City	AQI	Health
New Delhi	300	Very Poor
Mumbai	150	Moderate
Bangalore	100	Good
Hyderabad	120	Moderate
Chennai	110	Moderate
Kolkata	130	Moderate
Jaipur	140	Moderate
Ahmedabad	160	Moderate
Pune	90	Good

STATE ALERTS

- Red Alert: Maharashtra, Karnataka, Kerala, West Bengal, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana
- Orange Alert: Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh
- Green Alert: Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Mizoram, Tripura, Meghalaya, Assam, Manipur, Nagaland, Mizoram, Tripura, Meghalaya, Assam, Manipur

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Sunrise: 5:59 AM
Sunset: 7:05 PM

INDIA | **WEATHER** | **REPORT** | **AUGUST 4, 2026**

the Additional Advocate General and senior counsel appearing before the Supreme Court and the National Green Tribunal. Advocate Shravan Kumar, who is leading the state's legal efforts on environmental clearances, briefed the meeting on the implications of the Supreme Court verdict. Uttam Kumar Reddy instructed the legal team to prepare project-wise action plans strictly in line with the court's directions. The meeting also reviewed the potential impact of Polavaram Project backwaters on Telangana. The Minister directed officials to conduct scientific assessments to determine possible submergence of habitations, agricultural lands, public infrastructure and other assets. He instructed officials to prepare comprehensive technical studies and financial assessments to strengthen Telangana's claims before the Government of India, the Polavaram Project Authority and other statutory bodies. Revenue Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy said the state must complete all assessments before the Polavaram Project becomes fully operational in neighbouring Andhra Pradesh. He added that compensation for land, infrastructure and other assets affected by backwater submergence should be pursued with the appropriate Central authorities. Senior irrigation officials, including Engineer-in-Chief (General) O. V. Ramesh Babu, Joint Secretary Srinivas, Engineer-in-Chief (Administration) P. Srinivas, and Engineer-in-Chief (O&M) R. Madhusudhan Rao, attended the meeting.

Glaw Lake Becomes Arunachal Pradesh's First Ramsar Site; India's Total Reaches 101

Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav says recognition reflects India's growing commitment to wetland conservation, biodiversity and sustainable livelihoods.

NEW DELHI, August 3 (The Journalist Post): India has added another internationally recognized wetland to its conservation network, with Glaw Lake in Arunachal Pradesh being designated as the state's first Ramsar Site, taking the country's total number of Ramsar sites to 101.

Announcing the milestone, Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Bhupender Yadav described the recognition as a significant achievement in India's ongoing efforts to conserve wetlands, protect biodiversity and promote sustainable livelihoods for local communities.

The Minister said the inclusion of Glaw Lake in the Ramsar List reflects the country's strong commitment to preserving ecologically important wetlands while balancing environmental conservation with sustainable development. He noted that wet-

lands play a crucial role in maintain-



habitats, conserving water resources and strengthening climate resilience.

Glaw Lake, located in Arunachal

ing ecological balance, supporting wildlife

Pradesh, is known for its rich biodiversity and ecological significance. The Ramsar designation is expected to strengthen conservation efforts, encourage scientific research and promote sustainable eco-tourism while ensuring long-term protection of the wetland ecosystem.

The Ramsar Convention is an international treaty for the conservation and sustainable use of wetlands. Sites designated under the convention are recognized as wetlands of international importance because of their ecological, botanical, zoological, limnological or hydrological value.

With the addition of Glaw Lake, India has further expanded its network of protected wetlands, reinforcing its commitment to environmental conservation and biodiversity protection.

The Union Government reiterated that safeguarding wetlands remains a key priority under its broader strategy for ecological sustainability and climate action.



India Officially Takes Charge as Host of 2030 Commonwealth Games



GLASGOW/AHMEDABAD | AUGUST 3, 2026 : India officially assumed hosting responsibilities for the 2030 Commonwealth Games in Ahmedabad as the curtain came down on the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games, marking a landmark moment for Indian sport. The ceremonial handover signaled the beginning of India's preparations to stage one of the world's premier multi-sport events.

The 2026 Games concluded on a high note for the Indian contingent, which produced an outstanding performance across multiple disciplines to finish as the fourth-highest medal-winning nation. Indian athletes excelled in athletics, boxing, wrestling, weightlifting, shooting, badminton, and other events, showcasing the country's growing strength in international sport.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah congratulated the athletes and the nation, describing the occasion as a "moment of double delight." He praised the contingent for creating history with its medal-winning performances and welcomed India's official takeover as the host of the 2030 Commonwealth Games in Ahmedabad. Sports officials believe hosting the 2030 Games will provide a significant boost to India's sporting ecosystem by accelerating investments in world-class infrastructure, athlete development, sports science, and international event management.

The event is also expected to enhance India's global sporting profile while creating lasting opportunities for athletes, coaches, and young sportspersons. Preparations for the Ahmedabad Games are expected to begin immediately, with authorities planning modern venues, improved transportation networks, accommodation facilities, and sustainable sporting infrastructure to deliver a world-class edition of the Commonwealth Games. As India celebrates both its successful Glasgow campaign and the honour of hosting the next Commonwealth Games, the nation looks forward to welcoming athletes from across the Commonwealth in Ahmedabad in 2030, aiming to deliver a memorable sporting spectacle.

BRS Playing Politics Over Godavari After Ruining Medigadda: Minister Adluri Laxman Kumar

Social Welfare Minister says irrigation decisions are based on scientific assessments, asks BRS to answer for Medigadda and unfulfilled promises.

HYDERABAD, August 3 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Social Welfare Minister Adluri Laxman Kumar on Monday launched a sharp attack on the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS), accusing the opposition party of attempting to gain political mileage from the Godavari flood situation after, according to him, leaving major irrigation projects in a weakened state during its tenure.

In a press statement, the Minister criticised recent remarks by BRS leaders demanding the immediate lifting of floodwaters from Medigadda, describing the demand as a deliberate distortion of facts and a reflection of what he termed the party's lack of understanding of large-scale irrigation systems.

He said the presence of floodwaters in the Godavari does not automatically mean that the entire volume can be lifted immediately. According to the Minister, irrigation project operations are governed by scientific parameters such as reservoir water levels, pump-

ing capacity, canal carrying capacity, downstream storage availability, power supply, engineering clearances, and safety protocols—not political statements. Referring to the Medigadda Barrage, Adluri Laxman Kumar alleged that the BRS government had reduced the project to its present condition despite spending thousands of crores of public funds. He said those responsible for the structural deficiencies had no moral authority to criticise the present government's management of irrigation resources.



The Minister also rejected comparisons between gravity flow and lift irrigation made by opposition leaders, stating that irrigation projects are designed according to engineering principles. He explained that gravity flow is adopted wherever geographically feasible, while lift irrigation is implemented only

where technically necessary, based entirely on scientific considerations.

Questioning the BRS's record in power, the Minister asked why the party failed to complete the Tummidihatti Project despite repeatedly promising it during its ten-year tenure. He said it was misleading for a party that failed to fulfil its own commitments to now criticise the present administration. Reaffirming the government's commitment to farmers, Adluri Laxman Kumar said the Congress government under Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy is pursuing a scientific, transparent, and professionally managed irrigation policy aimed at ensuring reliable irrigation and safe drinking water across the state. He added that all decisions are being taken strictly on the basis of technical assessments and expert recommendations from the Irrigation Department.

The Minister also posed several questions to the BRS leadership, asking who was responsible for the present condition of the Medigadda Barrage, why concerns regarding construction quality remained unanswered, and why promises made during the party's decade in power had not been fulfilled. He further questioned whether exploiting the Godavari flood situation for political purposes served the interests of farmers.

Concluding his statement, Adluri Laxman Kumar said the farmers of Telangana are capable of distinguishing between facts and political propaganda. He asserted that the state requires responsible politics focused on ensuring timely irrigation rather than misinformation and reiterated that the government would continue managing Telangana's water resources with transparency, scientific planning, and a commitment to protecting farmers' interests.



Hollywood Studios Gear Up for Awards Season with Major Film Campaigns

HOLLYWOOD, August 3 : Hollywood studios have officially begun preparing for the upcoming awards season by unveiling promotional campaigns for several of their most anticipated films. As the race for prestigious accolades gathers momentum, production houses are releasing new trailers, teaser posters, behind-the-scenes footage, and exclusive first-look images to build excitement among audiences and industry professionals.

Several high-profile productions are expected to make their premieres at leading international film festivals over the coming weeks, where critics and audiences will get their first look at potential award contenders. Studios are also planning special screenings, media interactions, and

global promotional tours to strengthen the visibility of their films ahead of the awards season.

Industry observers expect a diverse lineup of dramas, biographical films, historical epics, thrillers, and independent productions to compete for top honours. Performances by acclaimed actors, visionary directors, and innovative filmmakers

are already generating considerable discussion across entertainment circles.

The months ahead are expected to bring a steady stream of trailer launches, festival announcements, and release-date confirmations as Hollywood intensifies its campaign for both critical acclaim and commercial success. With several ambitious productions scheduled to arrive before the end of the year, the competition for major international film awards is shaping up to be one of the most exciting in recent years.



Markfed Creates Record in Maize Sales Through Transparent E-Auction

Average price of Rs 25,370 per metric tonne achieved as Telangana shifts from e-tenders to e-auctions under Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao

HYDERABAD, August 3 (The Journalist Post): Telangana State Markfed has achieved a record in maize sales after adopting a transparent e-auction system in place of the conventional e-tender process, securing significantly higher prices and generating substantial revenue for the state government.

According to officials, the decision was taken under the guidance of Agriculture Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao as part of reforms aimed at improving Markfed's financial performance. The e-auction process recorded a maximum price of Rs 26,500 per metric tonne, a minimum price of Rs 24,100, and an average price of Rs 25,370 per metric tonne. Compared to the procurement cost, the government is expected to earn an additional profit of approximately Rs 1,500 per metric tonne.

Officials said the shift from e-tenders to competitive e-auctions increased market participation and enabled Markfed to secure the best available prices, benefiting both farmers and the state exchequer. During the Yasangi 2025–26 season, Markfed procured nearly 14.60 lakh metric tonnes of maize across Telangana, the highest procurement in the state's history.

Owing to limited warehouse capacity, large quantities of maize were temporarily stored in open sheds, cotton ginning mills, and rice mills under the supervision of district collectors. As around 3.80 lakh metric tonnes of maize stored in temporary fa-

cilities faced the risk of rain damage, the government conducted a special e-auction, selling the stock at Rs 22,000 per metric tonne with a mandatory lifting period of 30



days. Officials stated that the move prevented substantial financial losses that could have resulted from damage to the stored grain.

The remaining 10.98 lakh metric tonnes, stored in secure warehouses, were auctioned in three phases after fixing a base price of Rs 24,000 per metric tonne based on prevailing market condi-

tions. The three phases of the e-auction recorded the following results:

First Phase: 3,70,895 metric tonnes sold; prices ranged from Rs 24,900 to Rs 25,600, with an average of Rs 25,192 per metric tonne.

Second Phase: 3,68,154 metric tonnes sold; prices ranged from Rs 24,100 to Rs 26,500, with an average of Rs 25,329 per metric tonne.

Third Phase: 3,59,339 metric tonnes sold; prices ranged from Rs 25,200 to Rs 26,000, with an average of Rs 25,594 per metric tonne.

Overall, 10,98,388 metric tonnes of maize were sold through the e-auction process, achieving an average price of Rs 25,370 per metric tonne, which officials described as the highest-ever realization in Markfed's history for maize sales.

Officials attributed the successful outcome to the government's market-oriented strategy, the transparent e-auction mechanism, and timely policy decisions. They said the initiative has not only safeguarded public funds but also strengthened Markfed's financial position while ensuring better value for agricultural produce.

'War 2' Enters Final Phase of Promotions Ahead of Grand Release



MUMBAI, August 3: The promotional campaign for War 2, starring Hrithik Roshan and Jr NTR, has entered its final phase, with the makers intensifying marketing activities ahead of the film's theatrical release. Regarded as one of the biggest action entertainers of the year, the film continues to dominate social media conversations and generate immense excitement among fans across India.

The recently released promotional content, including the action-packed trailer, has received a phenomenal response, with audiences praising its high-octane stunt sequences, stylish visuals, and the much-awaited face-off between Hrithik Roshan and Jr NTR. The trailer has quickly become one of the most discussed entertainment releases online, further raising expectations for the film.

Advance booking trends in several major cities indicate strong audience interest, reflecting the enormous popularity of the Yash Raj Films Spy Universe. Trade analysts predict a massive opening at the box office, driven by the combined star power of Hrithik Roshan and Jr NTR and the franchise's successful track record.

Directed by Ayan Mukerji, War 2 promises large-scale action, international locations, cutting-edge visual effects, and an engaging storyline. The film is expected to expand the Spy Universe while delivering spectacular action sequences and intense performances.

With only a short time remaining before release, the makers are expected to continue promotional events, media interactions, and fan engagement campaigns across the country. Industry experts believe War 2 has all the ingredients to emerge as one of the biggest commercial successes of the year, with expectations running exceptionally high among moviegoers.