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Union Home Minister visits prominent spiritual centres in Tiruvannamalai, Tamil Nadu

TIRUVANNAMALAI, Tamil Nadu, August 10 (The Journalist Post): Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday offered prayers at the Arulmigu Arunachaleswarar Temple in Tiruvannamalai, Tamil Nadu, and later visited the Sri Ramana Maharshi

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Cybercrime Awareness, Operational Preparedness Key Priorities: DGPC.V. Anand



DGP stresses public awareness on cybercrime, drugs and online betting, besides training, discipline and personnel welfare

MULUGU, August 10 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Director General of Police (DGP) C.V. Anand on Monday visited the 5th Telangana Special Police Battalion at Mulugu and interacted with officers and personnel, stressing the need to strengthen battalion policing to effective-

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Every Home Through ‘Har Ghar Tiranga’: BJP Telangana Chief N. Ramchander Rao



Ramchander Rao hoists national flag at residence; appeals to people across political lines to join Tiranga Yatra at Tank Bund on August 14.

HYDERABAD, August 10 (The Journalist Post): BJP Telangana State President N. Ramchander Rao has appealed to citizens across the State to hoist the national flag at their homes as part of the ‘Har Ghar Tiranga’ campaign ahead of Independence Day on August 15. Ramchander Rao participated in the campaign on Monday by hoisting the Tricolour at his residence in the presence of youth from his

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Maha Varuna Yagam Concludes at Nagarjuna Sagar with Prayers for Abundant Rainfall

CM Revanth Reddy and Uttam Kumar Reddy participate in Vedic rituals seeking blessings for the Krishna and Godavari basins.

NAGARJUNA SAGAR, August 10 (The Journalist Post): The Maha Varuna Yagam, organised by the Telangana government seeking abundant rainfall and the prosperity of the State, concluded at Vijay Viharam on the banks of the Krishna River at Nagarjuna Sagar.

Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, along with his spouse, participated in the sacred ceremony and performed the prescribed rituals under the guidance of the officiating priests. The Chief Minister also



performed the Purnahuti, marking the conclusion of the Yagam. The rituals were conducted in accordance with Vedic traditions by priests and scholars associated with the Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Temple, Yadagirigutta. As many as 108 Ruthviks performed Homa rituals across 11 Homa Kundas, invoking the blessings of Lord Varuna for timely and plentiful rainfall.

Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy, along with his spouse, also participated in the ceremony. Amid Vedic

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Deputy CM Visits QuantumScape Headquarters, Explores Next-Generation Battery Technology Partnerships

Discussions focus on solid-state batteries, global supply chains and opportunities for advanced manufacturing in India

SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA | The Hon’ble Deputy Chief Minister visited the headquarters of QuantumScape in San Jose and held discussions with the company’s President and CEO, Dr. Siva Sivaram, and members of its senior leadership team on next-generation battery technologies and potential opportunities for engagement with India.

Dr. Sivaram briefed the Deputy Chief Minister on QuantumScape’s work in solid-



state lithium-metal battery technology, including its potential to deliver higher energy density, faster charging and improved safety compared with con-

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Indiramma Government Aims to Realise Homeownership Dream of Poor: Minister Ponguleti



■ **Eligible poor families across Telangana will receive houses in phases, says Revenue and Housing Minister.**

HANAMKONDA, August 10 (The Journalist Post): The Telangana government is committed to ensuring that every eligible poor family has a house of its own and can live with dignity and self-respect, State Minister for Revenue, Housing and Information & Public Relations Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy said on Monday. The Minister was speaking at a programme in Kamalapur Mandal of Hanamkonda district, where approximately 394 double-bedroom houses were handed over to beneficiaries from three villages. State Transport and BC Welfare Minister Ponnam Prabhakar, Huzurabad

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TRTU to Hold Massive Protest in Support of Auto-Rickshaw Drivers on the 12th

Telangana Rakshana Sena Chief Kalvakuntla Kavitha to Attend as Chief Guest



TRTS Leaders Release Poster

HYDERABAD, August 10 (The Journalist Post): A massive protest (Maha Dharna) is set to be organized by the Telangana Rakshana Sena Trade Union (TRTU) at Indira Park Dharna Chowk on the 12th of this month in support of auto-rickshaw drivers. Key TRS leaders unveiled the poster for this protest—which TRS Chief Kalvakuntla Kavitha will attend as the chief guest—at the party office in Banjara Hills on Monday.

TRTS leaders L. Roop Singh and

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From Maoist Stronghold to Tourism Hub: DGP C.V. Anand Unveils Development Vision for Karrigutta



DGP reviews road works, praises security forces for restoring peace and assures rehabilitation support for surrendered Maoists.

MULUGU, August 10 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Director General of Police C.V. Anand on Monday visited Karrigutta in the remote border region of Mulugu district and outlined a vision to transform the area, once considered a major Maoist stronghold, into a peaceful development and tourism destination.

Karrigutta, located near the Telangana–Chhattisgarh–Odisha border, was for decades affected by Left-Wing Extremism. During his visit, DGP Anand inspected ongoing road construction works in the forest region, unfurled the National Flag and released white doves as a symbolic gesture marking the return of peace to the area. Senior officials from the Police, CRPF, Forest, Revenue, Tourism

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KTR Demands Cancellation of PM Ekta Mall Tender, Seeks Independent Probe into Alleged Irregularities



BRS leader questions tender terms, public land allocation and private developer’s commercial share in Rs 2,059-crore Raidurg project

HYDERABAD, August 10 (The Journalist Post): BRS Working President K. T. Rama Rao (KTR) has alleged serious financial irregularities in the tender process for the proposed PM Ekta (Unity) Mall at Raidurg, Hyderabad, and demanded immediate cancellation of the tender and an independent investigation into the project.

In a letter to Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, KTR urged the Centre to stop further release of funds for the project until the allegations are independently examined. He alleged that the tender conditions framed by the Telangana government could provide disproportionate commercial benefits to a private developer at the expense of public resources. According to KTR, the proposed project has an estimated cost of approximately

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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.

Deputy CM Visits QuantumScape Headquarters, Explores Next-Generation Battery Technology Partnerships



ventional lithium-ion batteries. The discussions also covered the technological and manufacturing challenges involved in moving advanced battery technologies from research and development to commercial-scale production.

The meeting examined the evolving global battery supply chain, including critical minerals, advanced materials, components, cell manufacturing and electric-vehicle integration. Both sides discussed how emerging battery technologies could reshape existing supply chains while creating opportunities for diversification, new manufacturing partnerships and cross-border collaboration.

The Deputy Chief Minister and QuantumScape leadership also discussed India's expanding electric-mobility and advanced-manufacturing ecosystem. Potential areas of future cooperation included advanced materials and components, engineering and research and development, supply-chain partnerships, and, over the longer term, opportunities for localisation or expansion of next-generation battery technologies in India.

The Deputy Chief Minister highlighted India's growing capabilities in advanced manufacturing, engineering talent and clean technologies and invited QuantumScape to explore opportunities for deeper engagement with the Indian industrial and innovation ecosystem. The visit formed part of the Deputy Chief Minister's broader engagement with leading technology companies in the United States aimed at strengthening links between global innovation leaders and India's rapidly expanding advanced-manufacturing and clean-technology sectors.

ditions and the well-being of farmers.

The government stated that performing Y a g a m s , Yagnas and Pujas for rainfall is a traditional practice rooted in Indian culture. While continuing to rely on scientific weather forecasts, water management and advance planning, the government said it also respects cultural traditions associated with the relationship between rainfall, agriculture, nature and human life.

The ceremony was held against the backdrop of concerns over rainfall conditions in the State. The government referred to meteorological forecasts indicating the possibility of below-normal rainfall and said the Varuna Yagam was organised



Bonalu Celebrated with Traditional Fervour at Lok Bhavan

chanting and religious rituals, the Chief Minister prayed for adequate rainfall across Telangana, particularly in the Krishna and Godavari river basins. He expressed the hope that the State's rivers, irrigation projects, tanks and ponds would receive sufficient water and that groundwater levels would improve.



Revanth Reddy said the Yagam was conducted with the resolve that the people of Telangana should live in happiness, prosperity and good health. He prayed for the successful cultivation of crops, improved agricultural con-

Ideals of Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud Must Be Carried Forward to Future Generations: Mahesh Kumar Goud



TPCC chief says Papanna Goud's courage, self-respect and fight for social equality continue to inspire the youth.

HYDERABAD, August 10 (The Journalist Post): TPCC President and MLC Mahesh Kumar Goud said the ideals and legacy of Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud must be carried forward to future generations, describing him as a courageous warrior and a symbol of the struggle for social equality. He was speaking at the Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud Jayanti celebrations organised jointly by the Sardar Sarvai Papanna Maharaj Dharma Paripalana Samstha and the Jai Goud Movement National Committee at Ravindra Bharati in Hyderabad. Mahesh Kumar Goud paid floral tributes to the portrait of Papanna Goud on the occasion.

Mahesh Kumar Goud said Papanna Goud was not merely a warrior but also a people's leader who stood for the rights and dignity of oppressed sections. He said Papanna challenged the social and economic inequalities of his time and gave people confidence to fight against injustice. He said Papanna Goud's life demonstrated the importance of courage, leadership, self-respect and commitment to public welfare. His determination to stand with ordinary people and work towards equality continues to hold relevance for society, he added.

The TPCC president observed that several great personalities and their struggles had not received adequate recognition in history. He said it was the responsibility of society to bring the contributions and histories of such figures to the forefront and ensure that future generations learn about their role. Mahesh Kumar Goud said the history of Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud should be preserved and his ideals should be translated into action. He stressed that Jayanti celebrations should not remain limited to ceremonial events and that the true tribute to great personalities lies in following their principles in everyday life. Calling upon the youth to study Papanna Goud's life and history, he urged them to draw inspiration from his courage, self-respect and leadership qualities and work towards strengthening social equality and justice. Madhu Goud, Srinivas Goud, Rama Rao Goud, Arun Goud and others participated in the programme.

as a traditional spiritual observance seeking favourable weather conditions.

The Chief Minister offered prayers for the Krishna and Godavari rivers to flow at full capacity and for major irrigation reservoirs, including Srisailem and Nagarjuna Sagar, to receive adequate inflows. He also prayed for tanks and ponds across the State to be filled, groundwater levels to rise and farmers to receive good harvests. He expressed the hope that Telangana would witness greenery, agricul-



tural prosperity and improved well-being for its people.

Telangana Legislative Council Chairman Gutta Sukhender Reddy, Ministers Komatireddy Venkat Reddy and Konda Surekha, Government Advisors K. Keshav Rao and P. Sudarshan Reddy, former Minister K. Jana Reddy, and other public representatives attended the ceremony.

From Maoist Stronghold to Tourism Hub: DGP C.V. Anand

and other departments accompanied the DGP during the field visit, highlighting the government's focus on development and improved connectivity in the region. Addressing the media, Anand said coordinated operations involving the Telangana

Police, Greyhounds, Special Police Forces, CRPF, CoBRA units and Chhattisgarh Police had significantly weakened Maoist activity in the region. He said nearly 700 Maoists had surrendered during Operation Kagar, while several senior leaders had been killed in encounters and others had returned to the mainstream. He added that only a limited number of Central Committee-level Maoist leaders remained active in different parts of the country.

The DGP said the Telangana government was implementing rehabilitation measures for surrendered Maoists, including financial assistance, land allotment and livelihood opportunities. He said continuous monitoring and support would be provided to facilitate their successful reintegration into mainstream society.



DGP said Karrigutta had significant tourism potential and that the government planned to develop the region while adhering to environmental and legal requirements. He said the road connecting Pamuru and Chalamadava had been completed and that blacktopping works would be taken up shortly to improve connectivity. He added that the government also planned to strengthen electricity supply, mobile connectivity and other

basic infrastructure required for promoting tourism and improving the quality of life of people living in the remote region. During the visit, the DGP distributed essential commodities to Gutti Koya families residing near the Pamuru camp and assured them of continued government support.



Anand also appreciated the contribution of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) to anti-Maoist operations. He said CRPF personnel had worked alongside State police forces for decades under extremely difficult conditions and praised their commitment and professionalism. He specifically acknowledged the efforts of personnel of the CRPF 196 Battalion, who continue to serve in challenging terrain for extended periods away from their families.

The DGP said the transformation of Karrigutta demonstrated how sustained security operations, peace and development could create new opportunities for remote communities and open the region to responsible tourism. Additional DGP Sanjay Jain, IG Chandra Shekhar Reddy, Intelligence IG Karthikeya, SIB SP Sindhu Sharma, Mulugu Collector Borkade Hemanth Sahadeorao, Mulugu SP Sudhir Ramnath Kekan, District Forest Officer Vikas Meena, CRPF officers and officials from the Revenue, Tourism and other departments participated in the visit.

Minister Seethakka Reviews Medaram Temple Development and CM Visit Arrangements

MEDARAM, August 10 (The Journalist Post):

Telangana Minister for Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Danasari Anasuya Seethakka visited the sacred Sammakka-Saralamma temple at Medaram in Tadvai Mandal on Monday and offered special prayers to the forest deities. Following her visit to the temple, the Minister inspected arrangements being made for the proposed visit of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and reviewed various ongoing development works in and around the temple premises.



Seethakka examined the progress of works related to PT beams, queue lines, media towers and granite installations. She also reviewed requirements for establishing an additional queue line behind the temple com-

Minister offers prayers at Sammakka-Saralamma shrine and inspects ongoing works and facilities at Medaram.

plex to facilitate the movement of devotees. The Minister inspected the surroundings of the Ex-



ecutive Officer's office and issued instructions to officials regarding the necessary arrangements and development works. She directed the concerned departments to coordinate closely and ensure that the works are completed efficiently.

Officials and public representatives accompanying the Minister included District Additional Collectors Ch. Mahender G and Sampath Rao, Library Organisation Chairman Banothu Ravichander, Market Committee Chairperson Rega Kalyani, DPO Venkayya, Priests' Association President Siddhaboyina Jagga Rao, the Temple Executive Officer and other district officials and local representatives.

BJP MLA Rakesh Reddy Slams Government Whip Adi Srinivas Over Festival Funding



Armoor MLA questions Telangana government over alleged disparity in allocations for Ramadan and Bonalu celebrations.

HYDERABAD, August 10 (The Journalist Post):

BJP Armoor MLA Paidi Rakesh Reddy launched a sharp attack on Telangana Government Whip Adi Srinivas, questioning his criticism of BJP leader Bandi Sanjay Kumar over remarks concerning government funding for religious festivals.

Rakesh Reddy asked Adi Srinivas not to be carried away by political rhetoric and warned that ignoring public concerns could lead to a political backlash. He questioned the basis for criticism of Bandi Sanjay and asked whether the reported allocation of ₹33 crore for Ramadan-related activities and around ₹20 crore for Bonalu celebrations was accurate.

The BJP MLA alleged that the difference in allocations raised questions about whether adequate financial support was being provided for Hindu festivals, given the demographic composition of the State. He demanded that the Congress government release a white paper detailing the funds allocated for Hindu and Muslim festivals and explain the basis for the allocations.

Rakesh Reddy further alleged that the Congress government was following policies aimed at minority appeasement and questioned whether Hindu festivals were receiving adequate attention and financial support. He also referred to remarks attributed to Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy regarding the relationship between Congress and Muslim voters and questioned whether government funding decisions were being influenced by such political considerations.

The Armoor MLA defended Bandi Sanjay's position and said political leaders should be free to raise questions concerning religious and cultural issues. He said those who claim to represent Hindu interests should demand equitable treatment and adequate support for Hindu festivals.

Rakesh Reddy urged Adi Srinivas to press the Chief Minister to provide greater financial support for Hindu festivals and called for transparency in government allocations. He also advised Adi Srinivas to avoid what he described as personal or publicity-oriented criticism of Bandi Sanjay and instead focus on addressing questions surrounding the allocation of public funds.

Amit Shah Offers Prayers at Arunachaleswarar Temple, Visits Ramana Maharshi Ashrama

Ashram. Shah shared details of his visit on social media, stating that he offered puja at the historic Arunachaleswarar Temple and visited the sacred Sri Ramana Maharshi Ashram.

The Arunachaleswarar Temple, dedicated to Lord Shiva, is one of the prominent pilgrimage centres in Tamil Nadu and is associated with the sacred Arunachala hill. Tiruvannamalai is also closely associated with the spiritual teachings of Sri Ramana Maharshi, whose ashram attracts devotees and spiritual seekers from across India and abroad.

The visit comes as part of Shah's engagements in Tamil Nadu and reflects his participation in the state's important religious and spiritual traditions.

‘Har Ghar Tiranga’ Campaign Begins Across Telangana with Patriotic Fervour

BJP leaders, Union Ministers, MPs and MLAs hoist the national flag at their residences following PM Modi’s call.

HYDERABAD, August 10 (The Journalist Post): The ‘Har Ghar Tiranga’ campaign has begun across Telangana with BJP leaders, elected representatives and party workers hoisting the national flag at their residences as part of the Independence Day celebrations following Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s call. Dr. Mekala Shilpa Reddy, BJP State Executive Convener for the ‘Har Ghar Tiranga–Tiranga Yatra’ and State President of the BJP Mahila Morcha, said the campaign was being conducted across the State with enthusiasm and patriotic spirit. She said the initiative aimed to encourage people to display the national flag in every household and honour the sacrifices of freedom fighters.

BJP Telangana State President N. Ramchander Rao hoisted the Tricolour at his residence in Tarnaka. He said the national flag represents India's progress, unity and glory. He also highlighted the significance of associating this year's campaign with the 150th-anniversary celebrations of ‘Vande Mataram’.

Union Minister for Coal and Mines G. Kishan Reddy also hoisted the national flag at his residence in Hyderabad and appealed to citizens to participate in the campaign by displaying the Tricolour at their homes.

Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay Kumar called upon Indians, including students, to participate voluntarily without differences based on caste, religion or com-

munity. He also urged BJP cadres to conduct cleaning and sanitation drives at statues and memorials of freedom fighters from August 12 to 14 and organise Tiranga rallies in villages and public places.

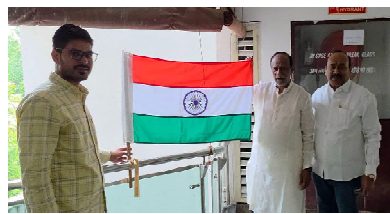
BJP Rajya Sabha member K. Laxman and Nizamabad MP Arvind Dharmapuri participated in the campaign by hoisting the Tricolour at their residences in New Delhi.



Suryanarayana hoisted the Tricolour at their residences. MLCs Anji Reddy and Malka Komuraiah also participated in the programme with their family members.



and videos on social media using the hashtag HarGharTiranga. She called upon citizens across Telangana to join the campaign and make the display of the national flag a symbol of unity, patriotism and respect for the nation's freedom struggle.



BJP National Vice President and MP D.K. Aruna appealed to citizens to hoist the national flag at their homes, take selfies with the Tricolour and upload photographs along with the ‘Vande Mataram’ anthem through the campaign platform.

BJP Telangana State General Secretaries N. Gautam Rao and Thulla Veerender Goud also hoisted the national flag at their residences and participated in the campaign. Several elected representatives joined the celebrations. Kamareddy MLA Katipally Venkata Ramana Reddy, Armoor MLA Paidi Rakesh Reddy and Nizamabad Urban MLA Dhanpal

Dr. Mekala Shilpa Reddy said the campaign was gaining momentum across villages, mandals and districts, with BJP elected representatives, leaders, activists and office-bearers participating by hoisting the national flag and sharing photographs



Cybercrime Awareness, Operational Preparedness Key Priorities: DGP C.V. Anand

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tively respond to emerging security and public safety challenges. Addressing the battalion personnel, DGPC.V. Anand called for greater public awareness about cybercrime, drug abuse and online betting, particularly among young people. He emphasized the importance of preventive policing and urged personnel to engage with communities to educate the public about the risks associated with such activities.

The DGP stressed that continuous training, strict discipline, physical fitness and operational preparedness were essential for battalion personnel. He directed officers to ensure that personnel remain prepared to respond swiftly and effectively to emergencies and other critical situations. C.V. Anand also reviewed infrastructure and welfare-related issues at the battalion. He emphasized the need to strengthen basic infrastructure and ensure effective implementation of the Employee Health Scheme for police personnel.

The DGP encouraged officers to make greater use of technology in policing and strengthen training programmes in accordance with the changing requirements of modern

law enforcement. He said technological capabilities and professional training would play an increasingly important role in addressing emerging forms of crime and security challenges. During his interaction with battalion personnel, C.V. Anand heard their grievances, requirements and suggestions. He assured them that appropriate measures would be taken to address the issues at the earliest.

The DGP directed senior officers to take necessary steps for the overall development of the battalion and improve welfare measures for its personnel. He also emphasized the importance of maintaining morale, discipline and professional standards among the force.

Additional Director General of Police (Battalions) Sanjay Kumar Jain, Multi Zone-I Inspector General Chandra Shekhar Reddy, Mulugu Superintendent of Police Sudhir Ramnath Kekan, Additional Superintendent of Police Manan Bhatt, 4th Battalion Commandant Shiva Prasad Reddy, 5th Battalion In-charge Commandant Seethara, Assistant Commandant Krishna Prasad, Reserve Inspectors and other battalion officers and personnel were present.



RRPS Demands SC/ST Atrocities Case Over Alleged Land Encroachment in Hasanparthy



Chaparathi Kumar Gadge seeks Collector and police intervention, alleging harassment of a Dalit family over 19 guntas of land.

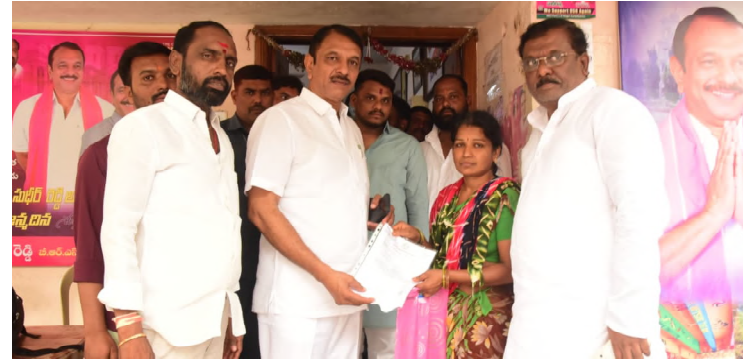
WARANGAL, August 10 (The Journalist Post): Rajaka Reservation Porata Samithi (RRPS) State President Chaparathi Kumar Gadge has demanded that an SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act case be registered over an alleged attempt to encroach upon land belonging to a Dalit family at Munnipalli village on the outskirts of Chintagattu in Hasanparthy Mandal.

Gadge, along with representatives of several people's organisations, inspected the disputed land on Monday and alleged that Naddunuri Naveen Kumar, a Dalit resident, and his father Naddunuri Ailaiah had been cultivating around 19 guntas of ceiling land in Survey No. 141/1 for nearly five decades. According to the RRPS leader, a dispute has arisen over adjoining land and Sarabudla Prabhakar Reddy, a former MPP, has allegedly been attempting to encroach upon the family's land by using political influence and local connections. Gadge further alleged that members of the Goud community were being instigated against the family and that Naveen Kumar and his relatives were facing mental harassment and intimidation. The allegations have not been independently established in the information provided.

Gadge claimed that complaints submitted to local police authorities had not resulted in satisfactory action. He demanded that the District Collector, revenue authorities and senior police officials conduct a detailed inquiry into the matter and take action in accordance with the law. He also demanded that the authorities consider invoking the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act against those found responsible and called for strict action against anyone found to have unlawfully interfered with the family's land rights.

The RRPS State President separately sought action under the Preventive Detention (PD) Act against Prabhakar Reddy, subject to applicable law and due process. He urged the authorities to ensure protection and justice for the affected family. Gadge warned that Dalit and Backward Classes organisations would launch a major agitation if the authorities failed to address the allegations and resolve the land dispute through due legal procedures. Those who participated in the inspection included DBF State Vice-President Chunchu Rajender, Advocate and Assigned Land Committee President Kalakoti Mahender, People's Organisations JAC District Chairman Madasi Suresh, Mala Mahanadu District President Ankeshwarapu Ramachandar Rao, Munnuru Kapu Association District Leader Madasu Jitender, Dalit Association leader Ankilla Raju, and members of the affected family.

LB Nagar MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy Facilitates Rs 2.60 Lakh CMRF Assistance for Lung Patient



HYDERABAD, August 10 (The Journalist Post): LB Nagar MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy facilitated financial assistance of Rs 2.60 lakh from the Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF) for the medical treatment of a resident of SKD in the B.N. Reddy Nagar division who has been suffering from lung-related ailments. The family, they approached the MLA seeking assistance for the patient's treatment. Responding to their request, Sudheer Reddy helped facilitate the application for medical assistance through the CMRF. An LOC (Letter of Credit) worth Rs 2,60,000 was sanctioned, and the cheque was handed over to the patient's wife, Dhanalakshmi. Speaking on the occasion, Sudheer Reddy said that helping economically weaker families gives him immense satisfaction. He said that during his four-decade political career, he had the opportunity to extend assistance to several underprivileged families facing difficulties.

The patient's wife expressed gratitude to the MLA for taking the initiative to support her husband's medical treatment. She thanked Sudheer Reddy for helping the family secure financial assistance and said the support would remain memorable to the family. BRS leaders Chennagoni Sridhar Goud, Pandala Rajashekhar, Manda Rajashekhar Reddy, Nitish, and others participated in the programme.

Minister Vakiti Srihari Pays Respects to Medical Student Priyanka, Assures Family of Government Support

Minister calls for stringent action against those responsible and urges stronger measures to prevent similar incidents.

Minister said those responsible must face stringent punishment in accordance with the law. He stressed that

perpetrators do not escape accountability by exploiting legal loopholes.

The Minister said Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy had responded promptly to the incident and issued necessary directions to ministers and officials to ensure appropriate action. Srihari emphasized the need for stronger preventive measures to ensure that similar incidents do not recur. He said the government would stand by Priyanka's family and take all necessary steps to ensure justice.

The Minister reiterated that law enforcement agencies must act firmly and that those found responsible should be dealt with strictly under the applicable legal provisions.



HYDERABAD, August 10 (The Journalist Post): Minister Vakiti Srihari, along with former MLA and AICC Secretary Sampath Kumar, paid their respects to the mortal remains of medical student Priyanka at the Gandhi Hospital mortuary on Monday.

The Minister met Priyanka's family and consoled her father, offering his condolences and assuring the family of the government's support during the difficult time. Describing Priyanka's death as ex-

traordinary, he said the authorities should ensure that the perpe-

CM Revanth Reddy to Launch New Smart Ration Card Distribution in Sangareddy on August 15

SANGAREDDY, August 10 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy is scheduled to visit Sangareddy on August 15 to formally launch the distribution of new smart ration cards in the State. Ahead of the Chief Minister's visit, TPCC Working President T. Jayaprakash Reddy (Jagga Reddy), Sangareddy District Collector Prateek Jain, and District Superintendent of Police Paritosh Pankaj inspected the arrangements at the proposed helipad at the Tara Government Degree College premises and the public meeting venue at Ambedkar Stadium.

The officials reviewed the arrangements and issued instructions to government departments and organisers to ensure that the programme is conducted smoothly and safely. Speaking to the media, Jagga Reddy alleged that the previous BRS government had issued ration cards sparingly during its decade in power. He said the Congress government was committed to ensuring that every eligible household receives access to welfare benefits.

Jagga Reddy, Collector Prateek Jain and SP Paritosh Pankaj inspect helipad and public meeting venue ahead of Chief Minister's visit.

According to Jagga Reddy, the State government is preparing to distribute new smart ration cards to around 1.05 crore beneficiaries across Telangana. He welcomed the initiative and credited Chief Minister Revanth Reddy and Civil Supplies Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy for advancing the programme. He said the government was committed to implementing its election promises and ensuring that eligible beneficiaries are not left out of welfare schemes. Jagga Reddy also said that although the August 15 event is an official government programme, the Congress party would organise a grand welcome for the Chief Minister in Sangareddy. He added that arrangements were being made for a large public gathering, with an expected



turnout of around 50,000 people, and expressed confidence that the programme would be conducted successfully.

KTR Demands Cancellation of PM Ekta Mall Tender, Seeks Independent Probe into Alleged Irregularities

Rs 2,059.81 crore, excluding the value of land, and has received around Rs 202 crore in Central assistance. The project is proposed on about 6.30 acres of prime land at Raidurg, with an estimated built-up area of around 27 lakh square feet.

KTR questioned the proposed distribution of commercial space, stating that the government's minimum entitlement would be around 9 lakh square feet, while the private developer would have a minimum entitlement of approximately 18 lakh square feet. He questioned why a private developer could receive at least twice the government's minimum built-up area in a project being developed on public land with Central financial assistance.

The selected developer consortium comprises Vamsiram Builders & Developers Pvt. Ltd. as the lead member and Aparna Infrahousing Pvt. Ltd. as the partner. KTR said the consortium offered an additional 18,000 square feet of Grade-A commercial office space

over the minimum government entitlement, taking the government's total built-up area to approximately 9.18 lakh square feet. He nevertheless questioned the private developer's minimum entitlement of 18 lakh square feet and the possibility of additional area arising through future planning efficiencies or permissible FSI.

KTR demanded that the Telangana government explain the financial and commercial rationale behind the tender conditions and establish whether the public resources committed to the project are receiving adequate value. He also raised questions over the project's financial model. KTR said a ₹200-crore interest-free loan sanctioned under the Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) scheme is proposed to be routed through the Telangana Trade Promotion Corporation Limited (TGTPC) to the selected developer on a back-to-back basis. He further alleged that the tender framework permits certain expenditure incurred on project preparation, consultancy, surveys, approvals and site preparation to be adjusted from project funds. KTR said these provisions require independent scrutiny before additional public funds are released.

The BRS leader also questioned the Centre's response to earlier complaints submitted by his party concerning alleged irregularities in various projects and tenders under the Congress government in Telangana. He said the BRS had previously raised concerns relating to AMRUT tenders, coal-related

issues and other matters and claimed that no meaningful action had followed despite submissions to the concerned authorities.

KTR urged the Centre to use the PM Ekta Mall issue to demonstrate its commitment to transparency and accountability. He demanded that the existing tender be cancelled and that no further Central funds be released until an independent investigation is completed.

He called for the proposed inquiry to examine the land valuation, project cost, financial model, tender conditions, bid evaluation, government share, private developer's commercial rights and utilisation of Central funds. The inquiry, he said, should also determine whether the tender conditions or financial structure resulted in any undue or unlawful benefit to a private entity.

KTR further demanded that the Detailed Project Report (DPR), financial model, land valuation, tender documents and bid evaluation records be made available for public scrutiny. He called for an independent examination by appropriate audit, vigilance and investigative agencies, including the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) wherever applicable.

Public assets of Telangana cannot be used for private bargaining, and public money cannot become the foundation for private enrichment," KTR said, demanding that the Centre stop further fund releases, cancel the tender and order an independent investigation. KTR said the BRS would continue to pursue the matter before the appropriate authorities and place the available evidence on record until the allegations are examined and responsibility, if any, is established in accordance with law.

TRTU to Hold Massive Protest in Support of Auto-Rickshaw Drivers on the 12th

Syed Ismail stated that the protest was called to oppose the Revanth government's decision regarding "last-mile connectivity," which threatens to ruin the livelihoods of auto-rickshaw drivers. They urged auto-rickshaw drivers and their families to participate in the protest in large numbers.

Auto-Rickshaw Drivers' Lives Ruined – Roop Singh

TRS leader Roop Singh criticized the Revanth Reddy government for jeopardizing the livelihoods of auto-rickshaw drivers under the guise of "last-mile connectivity." He noted that the free bus scheme has severely impacted the drivers' employment and that their lives have become increasingly miserable because the government failed to honor its promise of providing Rs 12,000 in annual financial assistance. He demanded that the Revanth government disclose which unions or auto-rickshaw drivers were consulted before deciding to introduce electric auto-rickshaws for "last-mile connectivity." He expressed concern that this initiative would deprive auto-rickshaw drivers of business. He asserted that the drivers would not be allowed to face injustice under any circumstances and stated that TRS leader Kalvakuntla Kavitha stands in support of them.

An Ill-Conceived Decision – Ismail

TRS leader Ismail questioned whether the government intended to ruin the livelihoods of auto-rickshaw drivers by introducing electric autos under the guise of last-mile connectivity. He described it as an ill-conceived decision that would devastate the lives of workers. He lamented that the lives of auto-rickshaw drivers have been in shambles since the Congress government took office. He noted that 300 auto-rickshaw drivers had taken their own lives due to the impact of the free bus scheme. He pointed out that, far from receiving the promised Rs 12,000, not a single one of their problems had been resolved. Ismail asked if the "last-mile connectivity" program was introduced to further jeopardize their livelihoods. He declared that the Revanth government's anti-worker decisions would not be tolerated under any circumstances and urged leaders from various auto-rickshaw associations and unions to participate in the protest in large numbers.

TGCSB Busts Fraudulent Call Centre Network in Delhi; 22 Detained

HYDERABAD, August 10 (The Journalist Post):

The Telangana Cyber Security Bureau (TGCSB) has busted an alleged cyber fraud network operating through multiple fraudulent call centres in Delhi and detained 21 Telugu-speaking female telecallers and one male bank account holder. According to the TGCSB, coordinated raids were conducted at three cybercrime call centres located at Shiva Market in Delhi. The centres were allegedly operated by separate teams led by Lalit Singh, Kuldeep Singh and Anil, who have been identified as the key organisers and are currently absconding. The detained persons reportedly included team leaders, telecallers and a bank account holder. Investigators said the network had been operating for approximately one-and-a-half years and had recruited Telugu-speaking women living in Delhi to target potential victims in Telangana.



The alleged fraudsters reportedly posed as representatives of Bajaj Finance and contacted victims with attractive loan offers. Investigators said the telecallers followed scripted conversations and persuaded victims to pay fabricated charges in the name of loan processing, verification, documentation and insurance. After receiving the money, the accused allegedly either stopped communicating with victims or demanded additional payments while continuing to make false assurances regarding loan approval. When victims questioned the transactions or sought refunds, the accused allegedly resorted to threats and blackmail, including threats of legal action, reputational damage and misuse of personal information and identity documents. During the operation, TGCSB officials seized 23 mobile phones and two bank passbooks. Preliminary investigation has reportedly linked the network to 22 cybercrime cases across Telangana, while further investigation is continuing. The investigation revealed that many of the telecallers were recruited from places including Korutla in Jagtial district, Saidabad and Borabanda in Hyderabad, and

Telugu-speaking telecallers allegedly posed as finance representatives to lure Telangana victims with fake loan offers.

Mahabubnagar district. Officials said the fraudsters deliberately recruited Telugu-speaking personnel to establish greater trust with victims in Telangana. The TGCSB cautioned the public against responding to unsolicited calls offering loans and advised people to independently verify the identity of callers and the authenticity of lending institutions before making any payments. Officials also warned that speaking Telugu or another regional language does not establish the authenticity of a caller and urged people not to trust callers solely on the basis of their gender or language.

The bureau further advised families to remain aware of the nature of employment undertaken by their members, particularly those working at call centres outside Telangana. The TGCSB stated that strict legal action would be taken against individuals found to be involved in cyber fraud. People who fall victim to cybercrime have been advised to report the incident immediately through the national cyber-fraud helpline 1930 or the National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal. The operation was carried out under the guidance of Shikha Goel, IPS, Director, Telangana Cyber Security Bureau, and under the leadership of Deputy SP G. Nivasu. Inspectors Bhadramraju Ramesh and D. Nu, Sub-Inspectors Mahender, Karthik, Shirisha and Likhitha, along with other TGCSB personnel, participated in the operation. The bureau said further investigation is underway to identify additional victims, trace the absconding organisers and determine the full extent of the alleged cyber fraud network.

Every Home Through 'Har Ghar Tiranga' : BJP Telangana Chief N. Ramchander Rao

locality. He urged people to voluntarily participate in the initiative and display the national flag at their homes as a tribute to the freedom fighters who sacrificed their lives for the country. He said Independence Day provides an opportunity for citizens to remember the sacrifices made during India's freedom struggle and reaffirm their commitment to the nation's unity and development. The BJP Telangana president also announced that a massive 'Tiranga Yatra' will be organised at Tank Bund in Hyderabad on August 14. He appealed to people from all sections of society to participate in the programme in large numbers.



Ramchander Rao said the proposed rally was not intended to represent any particular political party or political agenda. Instead, he described it as a public initiative aimed at showcasing India's unity and strength and supporting the vision of 'Viksit Bharat'. He called upon citizens to rise above caste, religious and political differences and participate in the Tiranga Yatra in the spirit of national unity.

Telangana Government Assures Social Security to Fishermen: Minister Vakiti Srihari

Group Accident Insurance to cover 4.21 lakh registered fishermen, with up to Rs 5 lakh assistance for accidental death or permanent disability.

HYDERABAD, August 10 (The Journalist Post): The Telangana Government has approved the implementation of the Group Accident Insurance Scheme (GAIS) for 4,21,767 registered fishermen across the State for the 2026-27 financial year, State Minister for Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development, Fisheries, and Youth Services & Sports Vakiti Srihari said on Monday.

The Minister said the government attaches high priority to the welfare, livelihood security and social protection of fishermen and their families. He stated that the insurance scheme is intended to provide financial assistance to families in cases of accidental death or permanent disability.



Under the scheme, registered fishermen aged between 18 and 70 years will be

Bonalu Celebrations Held with Traditional Fervour in Mansoorabad



HYDERABAD, August 10 (The Journalist Post): Sunday Bonalu festival celebrations were held with great enthusiasm in the Mansoorabad division of L.B. Nagar, with members of the Kuruma and Yadav communities participating in large numbers. Jakkidi Raghuvveer Reddy, Chairman of the Jakkidi Charitable Trust and a senior BRS leader from L.B. Nagar, participated in the celebrations and extended his greetings to the community members on the occasion. Speaking on the occasion, Raghuvveer Reddy conveyed his best wishes to everyone and offered prayers to the Goddess for the health, prosperity and well-being of the people. Representatives and members of the Kuruma and Yadav associations in the division, along with a large number of community members and local residents, participated in the celebrations. Traditional devotional activities and festive gatherings added to the spirit of the Bonalu celebrations. The organisers said the celebrations reflected the cultural traditions and community spirit associated with Bonalu, one of Telangana's prominent festivals.

covered during the 2026-27 policy period. The insurance premium per beneficiary is Rs 79.96, with the Centre and State sharing the cost in a 60:40 ratio. The State Government will bear its share of Rs 21,34,79,673, ensuring that eligible fishermen do not have to pay the premium. The scheme provides Rs 5 lakh in the event of accidental death and Rs 5 lakh for permanent total disability. Beneficiaries suffering permanent partial disability will be eligible for assistance of Rs 2.5 lakh. The scheme also provides medical assistance of up to Rs 25,000 for accidental hospitalisation.

Minister Vakiti Srihari said the Fisheries Department has taken necessary steps to ensure uninterrupted insurance coverage for eligible registered fishermen during the policy period beginning June 1, 2026. He said the government aims to provide financial security to fishermen's families during times of crisis and strengthen their long-term social protection. The Group Accident Insurance Scheme, he added, forms an important part of the government's welfare measures for the fishing community. The Minister reiterated that the government would continue working towards comprehensive social security and livelihood protection for registered fishermen and their families across Telangana.

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Active Southwest Monsoon; Heavy Rain Alerts Across Many States

INDIA WEATHER MAP

RAINFALL ALERT
Extremely Heavy (≥ 204 mm)
Very Heavy (104 - 204 mm)
Heavy (64 - 104 mm)
Moderate (24 - 64 mm)
Light (4 - 24 mm)

MAJOR CITIES WEATHER

CITY	WEATHER	MAX / MIN
New Delhi	Thunderstorms	31° / 26°
Mumbai	Heavy Rain	29° / 27°
Bangalore	Monsoon Rain	28° / 23°
Hyderabad	Monsoon Rain	28° / 21°
Chennai	Partly Cloudy with Rain	29° / 22°
Kolkata	Heavy Rain	28° / 25°
Jodhpur	Thunderstorms	30° / 23°
Amritsar	Heavy Rain	29° / 23°
Pune	Monsoon Rain	27° / 26°

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CITY	AQI
New Delhi	400
Mumbai	150
Bangalore	120
Hyderabad	110
Chennai	100
Kolkata	130
Jodhpur	140
Amritsar	120
Pune	110

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Bhu-Bharathi Will Provide Permanent Land Security to Farmers: Minister Ponguleti

Government committed to farmer welfare, higher spending and resolving land, procurement and storage issues, says Minister

HANAMKONDA, August 10 (The Journalist Post): State Minister for Revenue, Housing and Information & Public Relations and Minister-in-charge of the undivided Warangal district, Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy, said the Telangana government was working with the objective of empowering farmers and making them the “king” of the agricultural sector. He said farmer welfare remained a priority for the government despite the State’s financial constraints.

The Minister was speaking on Monday after inaugurating the district-level Rythu Mela organised by the Agriculture Department at Kaloji Kalakshetram in Balasamudram, Hanamkonda.

He inaugurated the event by lighting the ceremonial lamp along with MLC Baswaraju Saraiah and MLAs Naini Rajender Reddy, Revuri Prakash Reddy and K.R. Nagaraju. Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy said the government had fulfilled its promise to replace the previous Dharani land-record system and introduce Bhu-Bharathi to provide permanent security for farmers and landowners. He alleged that farmers had faced several difficulties relating to land records and ownership under the earlier system and said the present government had taken responsibility for resolving the problems.

The Minister said the objective of Bhu-Bharathi was to provide clarity and permanent

security over land ownership. He said efforts were being made to cleanse land records and ensure that rights were recorded transparently. According to him, the availability of clear land records, maps and ownership details would reduce the possibility of future disputes and encroachments. He said Bhu-Bharathi was being implemented with the intention of safeguarding the interests of farmers and landowners for future generations rather than for political gain. The government, he added, was committed to finding a permanent solution to land-related problems that had affected farmers over the past decade.

Ponguleti said farmer welfare was not limited to political statements and claimed that the government had significantly in-

creased expenditure on agriculture and farmer-support programmes. He stated that while the previous government spent an average of around Rs 2,500 crore per month on farmers, the present government was spending approximately Rs 5,250 crore every month through various welfare and agricultural schemes.

The Minister acknowledged that farmers continued to face challenges during grain procurement and said the government was taking measures to address such issues. He also pointed to shortages in warehouse and storage capacity and said steps were being taken to strengthen storage infrastructure across the State. Our government's goal is not to use farmers for political purposes, but to stand by them,” Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy said, emphasizing the administration's stated commitment to farmer welfare. He advised farmers to select crops based on rainfall patterns and the availability of irrigation water. He encouraged farmers to consider crops that require comparatively less water while providing better returns.

The Minister also stressed the importance of combining scientific agricultural knowledge with farmers' traditional experience. “On one hand, we have the advice of scientists, and on the other, the experience of farmers. By harmonizing the two, we can achieve even better results in agriculture,” he said. The Rythu Mela provided a platform to discuss agricultural practices, crop planning, farmer welfare measures and issues relating to cultivation and procurement. The Minister reiterated that the government would continue efforts to strengthen the agricultural sector and improve economic security for farmers.



Indiramma Government Aims to Realise Homeownership Dream of Poor: Minister Ponguleti

Eligible poor families across Telangana will receive houses in phases, says Revenue and Housing Minister.

MLA Kaushik Reddy, Warangal West MLA Naini Rajender Reddy, District Collector Chahat Bajpai, Market Committee representatives, public representatives, officials,

and beneficiaries participated in the programme.



Srinivasa Reddy said the government, functioning under the leadership of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, was committed to taking welfare programmes to the doorsteps of poor families despite financial constraints. He said owning a house was not merely a matter of shelter but a symbol of self-respect for every poor family. The government, he added, was completing houses that had remained unfinished at various stages under previous programmes and handing them over to eligible beneficiaries.

The Minister said an initiative was underway to complete approximately 35,000

unfinished houses across Telangana. He clarified that the government's objective was to ensure that every eligible family received a house, irrespective of which administration had originally sanctioned or constructed it. Under the Indiramma Houses scheme, the process of sanctioning 4.5 lakh houses in the first phase and 2.5 lakh houses in the second phase is underway, the Minister said. He added that further houses would be sanctioned in the third and fourth phases until every eligible poor family was covered.

Ponguleti asserted that there would be no political discrimination in the allocation of houses. Beneficiaries would be selected strictly on the basis of eligibility, irrespective of caste, religion or political affiliation. He said houses were being sanctioned across constituencies represented by the Chief Minister, ministers and opposition MLAs alike.

The Minister said the government was providing Rs 5 lakh in financial assistance for construction of Indiramma houses, with the amount being released directly into beneficiaries' bank accounts in stages. Subsequent instalments would be released after officials inspected the progress of construction, he said. He added that the direct-transfer mechanism was intended to ensure that beneficiaries received the funds without contractors acting as intermediar-

ies. The government was also working to provide basic infrastructure, including drinking water, roads and electricity, in housing colonies, Ponguleti said. He directed officials to focus on completing both newly sanctioned and unfinished houses and handing them over to beneficiaries at the earliest.

The Minister also highlighted other welfare measures, including financial assistance for marriages of girls from poor families, ration cards and the supply of fine-quality rice to eligible households. He said diet and cosmetic charges for students had also been increased to support better educational and residential facilities. Ponguleti said the present government had sanctioned around 8 lakh houses in phases and would continue the programme to cover all eligible poor families. He described the Indiramma government and the Indiramma housing programme as closely linked to its objective of improving the living standards and dignity of economically weaker sections.

The Minister congratulated the beneficiaries of the double-bedroom houses in Kamalapur Mandal and said the government's ultimate goal was to see happiness and security on the faces of poor families. Following the programme, Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy, along with other ministers, MLAs and public representatives, distributed title deeds to eligible beneficiaries. Earlier, the ministers participated in housewarming ceremonies for beneficiaries of double-bedroom houses constructed in Guduru village and inspected the houses and basic amenities provided in the locality.



India's Young Athletics Stars Impress at World U20 Championships

EUGENE, OREGON | AUGUST 10, 2026 : India concluded its campaign at the World Athletics U20 Championships in Oregon, USA, with an encouraging three-medal haul — two silver and one bronze. The performances from the country's young athletes have highlighted the growing depth of Indian talent in track and field.

Basant Kumar Meghwal produced one of the standout performances for India, winning silver in the men's high jump. His achievement marked India's first-ever medal in the men's high jump at the World Athletics U20 Championships and underlined his potential on the international stage.

Shahnavaz Khan also created history by securing bronze in the men's long jump with a leap of 7.84 metres. His podium finish was India's first-ever men's long jump medal at the U20 World Championships, adding another significant milestone to the country's athletics record.

India's third medal came in the men's javelin throw, where Ashish Yadav secured silver, further strengthening the country's presence in

field events. The three-medal campaign represents a positive step for India's junior athletics programme and provides encouraging signs for the future of the sport.

The performances have also attracted praise from Neeraj Chopra, India's Olympic javelin champion. Chopra congratulated the young contingent and encouraged the athletes to build on their momentum as they continue their development toward senior-level international competition. Although some Indian medal hopefuls narrowly missed the podium, the overall campaign has been viewed as a significant indication of the country's emerging athletics talent. The performances of Meghwal, Khan and Yadav are expected to inspire more young athletes to pursue careers in competitive sport. India's three-medal finish in Oregon provides a strong foundation for the next generation and reinforces the country's ambitions to become an increasingly competitive force in global athletics.



'7 Dogs' Sets August 21 India Release; Salman Khan—Sanjay Dutt Reunion Adds Buzz

MUMBAI, August 10: International action thriller '7 Dogs', featuring Bollywood stars Salman Khan and Sanjay Dutt in special cameo appearances, is set to arrive in Indian theatres on August 21, 2026. The India release announcement has generated fresh excitement, particularly among fans looking forward to seeing the popular duo together again on screen.

Directed by Adil El Arbi and Bilall Fallah, the filmmaking duo known for the Bad Boys franchise, 7 Dogs is an international crime-action production led by Egyptian actors Karim Abdel-Aziz and Ahmed Ezz. The film combines large-scale action with an international setting and production style.

Salman Khan and Sanjay Dutt's involvement has become one of the film's major talking

points. Their appearances in the promotional material have sparked considerable interest among Indian audiences, with fans welcoming another reunion between the two veteran actors.

The film had already attracted international attention following its Middle Eastern release, and its arrival in Indian theatres is expected to expand its audience significantly. The August 21 release also places 7 Dogs within a competitive Indian theatrical calendar featuring several major releases. With its international action scale, acclaimed filmmakers and the added attraction of Salman Khan and Sanjay Dutt, '7 Dogs' is expected to be closely watched by Indian moviegoers when it reaches cinemas later this month.



Rehabilitation Policy Leads to More Maoist Surrenders, Says DGP C.V. Anand

Senior CPI (Maoist) leader Kakarla Samatha surrenders in Mulugu; DGP hands over Rs 20 lakh rehabilitation assistance

MULUGU, August 10 (The Journalist Post): A senior CPI (Maoist) leader who spent nearly four decades in the underground movement surrendered before the Telangana Police on Monday, with Director General of Police (DGP) C.V. Anand stating that the State's rehabilitation policy was playing a key role in encouraging Maoist cadres to return to the mainstream. Kakarla Samatha, also known as Madhavi, Shakeela and Durga, surrendered at a programme held in Mulugu. DGP C.V. Anand handed over a ₹20 lakh rehabilitation assistance cheque to her and appealed to CPI (Maoist) General Secretary Muppala Lakshmana Rao alias Ganapathi, his wife and other senior underground leaders to give up violence and join the democratic mainstream. Addressing the media, DGP Anand said coordinated efforts by the Telangana Police and the Union Government had significantly weakened Maoist influence in areas that were once considered strongholds. While several cadres had been killed in encounters over the years, many others had chosen to surrender and return to normal life under the State's rehabilitation policy, he said.



During her underground career, she worked with several organisational units, including the Hyderabad Committee, Nallamala, Uttar Pradesh Area Committee, Gujarat Golden Corridor Committee, Maharashtra Area Committee and the Karnataka-Maharashtra Special Zonal Committee.

Police said Samatha was also involved in ideological and documentation-related activities within the organisation. She assisted in preparing Central Committee documents and policy material, translated party literature, wrote on women's issues and conducted cadre orientation programmes. She also served as a Central Committee staff member attached to Maoist leader Ganapathi. DGP Anand said the State Government's rehabilitation policy was aimed at facilitating the complete reintegration of surrendered Maoists into society through financial assistance, healthcare, livelihood support and self-employment opportunities. Health protection cards have also been issued to eligible beneficiaries, he added.



Allu Arjun Takes Break from 'Raaka' Shoot for AAA Cinemas Inauguration

VISAKHAPATNAM, August 10: Icon Star Allu Arjun briefly stepped away from the shooting of his upcoming sci-fi action film Raaka, directed by Atlee, to inaugurate a new AAA Cinemas branch in Visakhapatnam.

The actor's appearance at the event drew a massive response from fans and moviegoers. During the inauguration, Allu Arjun spoke about his long association with Visakhapatnam and recalled his early career days, particularly his experiences during the shooting of his debut film Gangotri. He also reflected on how his growing popularity has changed his relationship with public spaces, saying that he can no longer move around the city's streets as freely as he once did.

The actor's presence at the new cinema venue highlights his growing involvement in the exhibition business, alongside his established career as one of Telugu cinema's leading stars. The Visakhapatnam launch also attracted large crowds of fans hoping to catch a glimpse of their favourite actor.



Meanwhile, Raaka, directed by Atlee and produced by Sun Pictures, remains one of the most eagerly awaited Indian films. The project stars Allu Arjun alongside Deepika Padukone and is being mounted as a large-scale sci-fi action spectacle with extensive visual effects. The latest Vizag appearance has added further excitement among fans, who are now looking forward to more updates about the film's shooting schedule and upcoming promotional campaign.

The DGP said 23 surrendered Maoists had so far received financial assistance amounting to nearly Rs 2 crore under the rehabilitation programme, irrespective of their rank in the organisation. The objective, he said, was to help surrendered cadres rebuild their lives with dignity and prevent them from returning to underground activities. Explaining the decision to conduct the programme in Mulugu instead of Hyderabad, Anand said the district had once served as a major Maoist corridor along the Telangana-Chhattisgarh border. Interactions with surrendered cadres had helped the police understand issues relating to rehabilitation, pending criminal cases and reintegration, he said.

The DGP added that the Telangana Government would coordinate with the Central Government and the Chhattisgarh Government wherever necessary to address rehabilitation and legal issues involving surrendered cadres. Reiterating his appeal to underground Maoist leaders, Anand said rehabilitation and peaceful reintegration offered a path towards a dignified future, and urged those still in the movement to abandon violence and return to democratic society.

Senior police officers, including Multi Zone-I Inspector General Chandrasekhar Reddy, Intelligence Inspector General Karthikeya, Ramagundam Police Commissioner Ambar Kishore Jha, Intelligence Superintendent of Police Sindhu Sharma, Mulugu Superintendent of Police Sudhir Ramnath Kekan, ASP Manan Bhatt, SIB officials and other police officers attended the programme.