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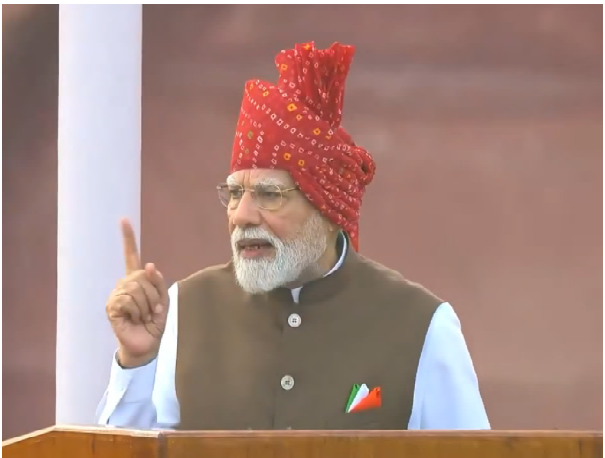
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■ Prime Minister Unveils ‘Sapta Dhara’ Vision, Puts Youth and Technology at Centre of Development

■ Focus on Atmanirbharta, Semiconductors, Energy Security, Defence, AI and National Unity

NEW DELHI, August 15 (The Journalist Post): Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the nation from the ramparts of the Red Fort on Saturday on the occasion of India's 80th Independence Day celebrations, outlining a broad roadmap for a self-reliant and developed India and calling upon citizens to work with determination towards the goal of Viksit Bharat by 2047. His address fo-



cused on national development, youth, technology, domestic manufacturing, energy security, defence preparedness, agriculture and national unity. Beginning his address with greetings to the nation, the Prime Minister paid tribute to the freedom fighters and generations of Indians

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Telangana’s Welfare and Development Roadmap on Independence Day

◆ CM Says 32 Months of Governance Have Focused on Welfare, Farmers and Economic Growth

◆ Highlights Rythu Bharosa, Women Empowerment, Irrigation and Smart Ration Cards

HYDERABAD, August 15 (The Journalist Post): Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, in his Independence Day address, said Telangana was moving forward with a renewed focus on welfare, economic development, agriculture, women’s empowerment and social security. Paying tribute to freedom fighters and national leaders, he



said the freedom enjoyed by citizens today was the result of the sacrifices of generations and called upon people to work collectively for the progress of the country and the State.

Revanth Reddy recalled the contribution of Mahatma Gandhi to India's freedom movement and said the success of the non-violent struggle demonstrated the power of peaceful resistance. He also remembered former Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru for his efforts to estab-

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Telangana Aims to Become a \$3 Trillion Economy by 2047: Bhatti Vikramarka

■ Deputy CM Highlights Farmer Welfare, Education, Healthcare and Infrastructure Development

■ Unfurls National Flag at Khammam Parade Grounds on Independence Day

KHAMMAM, August 15 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka said on Independence Day that the State government is working with the long-term objective of transforming Telangana into a \$3 trillion economy by 2047, while ensuring democratic governance, equal rights, freedom and justice for every citizen. Addressing the Independence Day celebrations at the Khammam Parade



Telangana heroes, including Jamalapuram Keshava Rao, Ayatham Venkateshwarlu, Kotha



and prosperous Telangana.

The Deputy Chief Minister outlined the government’s development and welfare initiatives in Khammam district, with agriculture and farmer welfare receiving significant attention. He said Rs 427.97 crore had been deposited under Rythu Bharosa for 3,41,913 farmers, while Rs 912.10 crore had been released towards crop-loan waiver benefits covering

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Telangana Development Driven by Central Funds, Says BJP State Chief N. Ramchander Rao



BJP President Attacks Congress Government Over Debt, Guarantees and Governance

Rao Highlights Centre's Projects and India's Economic Progress Under Modi

HYDERABAD, August 15 (The Journalist Post): BJP Telangana State President N. Ramchander Rao said Telangana's development is being supported substantially by funds and projects from the Central government while strongly criticizing the Congress government over its financial management and unfulfilled electoral promises. Speaking after hoisting the national flag at the BJP State Headquarters in Hyderabad on the occasion of the 80th Independence Day, Rao paid tribute to freedom fighters and extended greetings to the

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Avoid Cheap Politics and Personal Attacks, Says MLA Beerla Ilaiah



■ BJP MP Gundu Arvind Should Respect BC Leader Mahesh Kumar Goud

■ Authority and Positions Are Temporary, People Have the Final Say: Ilaiah

JANGAON, August 15 (The Journalist Post): Telangana government Deputy Chief and Jangaon MLA Beerla Ilaiah strongly criticised BJP MP Gundu Arvind over his alleged personal remarks against Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) President Mahesh Kumar Goud. Addressing a media conference at the DCC office in Jangaon district headquarters, Ilaiah said political leaders should focus on public issues and avoid making personal attacks.

Ilaiah questioned Arvind's political conduct and said the people of Telangana were aware of

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Grand Independence Day Celebrations Held at Telangana DGP Office



◆ National Flag Hoisted at Lakdikapul DGP Office

HYDERABAD, August 15 (The Journalist Post): Grand Independence Day celebrations were held at the Director General of Police (DGP) office at Lakdikapul in Hyderabad on Friday, with police officials and staff participating in the programme with patriotic fervour. As part of the celebrations, Shanwaz Qasim, IG, Multi-Zone-II, hoisted the National Flag at the DGP office. The ceremony was attended by senior police officials and office staff.

AIG Ramana Kumar, J. Anonya, AIG (Administration), SP (Legal) Satish and CSO Yogeshwar Rao, along with several police officers and employees, participated in the programme. The officials paid tribute to the

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Students Should Dream Big and Make Their Dreams Come True: KTR



GHATKESAR, August 15 (The Journalist Post): BRS Working President K. T. Rama Rao (KTR) called upon students to dream big, set ambitious goals and work with determination to turn their aspirations into reality, saying that the future of the country rests in the hands of its youth. KTR was speaking at the graduation day celebrations of a Science, Man-

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August 15 – A Day to Renew Our Commitment to India

August 15 is more than a national celebration; it is a reminder of the sacrifices made for India's freedom and the responsibilities that freedom places upon every citizen. True patriotism means protecting the nation's unity, respecting the Constitution, strengthening democracy, and contributing honestly to the country's development.

On this Independence Day, let us encourage the youth to choose knowledge over misinformation, unity over division, and service over selfish interests. A strong India is built when citizens work together with discipline, integrity, compassion, and courage.

Telangana Aims to Become a \$3 Trillion Economy by 2047: Bhatti Vikramarka

1,31,760 farmers. Under farmer insurance, Rs 40.15 crore was provided to affected families. He also said 2,83,956 metric tonnes of maize, valued at Rs 681.49 crore, had been procured at minimum support price.

The government is also promoting natural farming and alternative crops through 129 farmer platforms, he said. On education, Bhatti Vikramarka highlighted the introduction of centralised mechanised kitchens and breakfast programmes aimed at providing nutritious food to nearly 27 lakh students in government schools and Gurukuls. Young India Integrated Schools are being developed with modern facilities, with construction taken up at an estimated Rs 200 crore per school at identified locations. Advanced Technology Centres are also being established to strengthen technical education. In healthcare, the government has completed a critical-care facility at Khammam Government General Hospital at a cost of Rs 23.75 crore, with facilities including a Cath Lab, CT Scan and 2D Echo. Hospital construction and expansion works are also progressing in Vaira and Kusumanchi, while new dialysis centres are being established at several government hospitals. On irrigation and infrastructure, Bhatti Vikramarka said the Sitarama Lift Irrigation Project would bring 1,38,790 acres of additional land under cultivation through the Paleru Link Canal. Flood-protection works involving retaining walls are being undertaken at a cost of Rs 525.36 crore. The Kodad-Khammam NH-365A four-lane road has been completed, involving an expenditure of Rs 1,583 crore, while a bridge over the Munneru river is being constructed at a cost of Rs 180 crore.

The Deputy Chief Minister also highlighted women-centric welfare measures. Under the Mahalakshmi scheme, more than 6.14 crore free RTC bus journeys have been recorded in the district, with the government bearing Rs 326.73 crore. Under Indiramma housing, 16,243 houses were completed in the first phase, while another 10,400 houses were sanctioned in the second phase. Under Griha Jyothi, free electricity up to 200 units is being provided to 2,49,454 families, involving a subsidy of Rs 257.22 crore. Solar power projects are also being developed in villages and government schools.

Bhatti Vikramarka said tourism infrastructure was being strengthened through projects including a Rs 15-crore ropeway, Rs 5-crore Paleru Lake development and Rs 2.50-crore development works at the Nelakondapalli Buddhist stupa. He also announced that land re-survey work had begun in selected villages after nearly 96 years. He said the government's vision for Telangana's future was based on economic growth combined with social justice, welfare, employment, infrastructure development and environmental sustainability, reiterating the goal of building a strong and inclusive Telangana capable of achieving the \$3 trillion economy target by 2047.

Telangana's Welfare and Development Roadmap on Independence Day

lish India as a democratic and modern nation. The Chief Minister said successive governments had contributed to the country's development through initiatives such as the Green, White and Blue Revolutions and major irrigation projects. Turning to Telangana, Revanth Reddy said the government had spent the last 32 months repairing systems, expanding welfare programmes and establishing a new direction for development. He said welfare was not being viewed merely in terms of expenditure but as a responsibility towards poor and vulnerable families.

Telangana's Economic Performance

The Chief Minister said the results of the government's efforts were becoming visible and referred to the latest RBI data to highlight Telangana's economic position. According to the figures cited by him, the State's per-capita income in 2025-26 was ₹4,18,931. He said Telangana's economic strength would provide a foundation for further investment, employment generation and development, while the government would continue working to ensure that economic growth translated into better living standards for ordinary people.

Farmers at the Centre of Welfare Policy

Revanth Reddy said the government believed that Telangana could prosper only when its farmers were economically secure. He said the government had fulfilled its promise of waiving crop loans of up to Telangana's Welfare and Development Roadmap on Independence Day 2 lakh, benefiting more than 25 lakh farmer families. Under Rythu Bharosa, more than Rs 36,000 crore had been provided as investment assistance, while nearly Rs 9,000 crore had been deposited into farmers' accounts within nine days, he said. The government had also paid a Rs 500-per-quintal bonus to farmers. The Chief Minister said approximately Rs 1.70 lakh crore had been spent on agriculture and farmer welfare during the government's 32-month tenure. He further said Telangana had surpassed Punjab in terms of cultivation area and agricultural production. Last year, the State procured 81.12 lakh metric tonnes of grain through 8,575 procurement centres, according to the figures presented in his address.

Irrigation Projects to Be Completed on Priority

The Chief Minister said the government was committed to completing pending irrigation projects and securing Telangana's rightful share of water. He said projects from Tummidihatti to Palamuru were being taken up on priority with the objective of extending irrigation facilities to the targeted areas. He stressed that strengthening irrigation infrastructure was essential for agricultural growth and the long-term prosperity of rural Telangana.

Women Empowerment Through Welfare and Economic

Opportunities

Revanth Reddy highlighted the government's initiatives aimed at strengthening women's economic independence and social security. Under the Mahalakshmi scheme, free travel in Telangana RTC buses has enabled women to make more than 335 crore free journeys, with over 34 lakh women using the facility every day, according to the Chief Minister. He said women had collectively saved substantial amounts through the scheme, while Gruha Jyothi was providing free electricity up to 200 units to 53.09 lakh families. The government had issued 10.97 crore zero bills, he said. Under the subsidised LPG initiative, 42.90 lakh families were receiving gas cylinders at Rs 500, while Rs 4,709 crore had been spent under Kalyana Lakshmi and Shaadi Mubarak to provide financial assistance to eligible beneficiaries. The Chief Minister also highlighted the government's support for women's self-help



groups. He said Rs 60,487 crore had been provided through bank linkage to self-help societ-



ies and Rs 1,900 crore in interest subvention had been released under interest-free loan



programmes. He said women were increasingly participating in economic activities by producing school uniforms, operating petrol banks and



solar power plants, marketing products and even becoming owners of RTC buses. The government's objective, he said, was to encourage women to become entrepreneurs and emerge as leading industrialists.

Social Security and Food Security

The Chief Minister said food security remained an important component of the government's welfare policy. More than 93 lakh families, covering approximately 3.38 crore people, were being supported through the public distribution system, he said. He noted that thousands of families had been waiting for new ration cards for years and said the government had issued more than 15 lakh new ration cards to eligible households. Revanth Reddy announced that the distribution of smart ration cards would begin across Telangana on Independence Day, with the objective of strengthening welfare delivery and improving transparency in the distribution system.

Government Focus on Dignity and Better Living Standards

The Chief Minister said welfare programmes were intended not merely to provide financial assistance but to create conditions in which poor families could live with dignity and self-respect. He said the government was attempting to combine welfare with long-term development, ensuring that farmers received support, women gained greater economic independence, and vulnerable families obtained food and social security. Revanth Reddy said Telangana had the potential to become one of the country's leading States and that the government was preparing programmes keeping the future needs of the State in mind.

Independence Day Message

Concluding his address, the Chief Minister called upon citizens to remember the sacrifices of India's freedom fighters and contribute to nation-building with responsibility and unity. He said the freedom achieved through the sacrifices of great leaders should be transformed into opportunities for development, dignity and prosperity for every section of society. The Chief Minister said the government would continue working towards a Telangana where economic growth, welfare and social security moved together and where the benefits of development reached ordinary citizens. The address comes amid continued political debate over the government's implementation of welfare schemes. On August 15, former minister T. Harish Rao publicly challenged the Chief Minister's claims regarding farm-loan waivers and other welfare programmes and called for a debate in the Assembly.

PM Modi Calls for Self-Reliant, Developed India by 2047 in Independence Day Address

whose sacrifices secured the country's independence. He said the responsibility of the present generation was to transform India's achievements into a stronger, more prosperous and self-reliant nation.

Vision of Viksit Bharat by 2047

Modi reiterated the goal of making India a developed nation by 2047, when the country completes 100 years of Independence. He called upon citizens, particularly young Indians, to think big and work with confidence to achieve national goals. The Prime Minister said India's development journey must increasingly be driven by domestic capabilities, innovation and self-reliance. He stressed the importance of Made in India, Swadeshi and Vocal for Local, saying that greater domestic production would strengthen India's economic and strategic position.

Sapta Dhara' Development Framework

A major feature of the address was the Prime Minister's emphasis on a "Sapta Dhara", or seven-stream, development framework. The vision places emphasis on strategic areas including critical minerals, energy security, semiconductor manufacturing and other technologies necessary for India's long-term economic and industrial strength. Modi said India could not depend excessively on other countries for critical technologies and resources and stressed the need to build domestic capabilities in areas that are strategically important for the future.

Youth and Artificial Intelligence

The Prime Minister placed India's youth at the centre of the country's future development. He announced plans to provide AI training to one crore young Indians over the coming year, while also announcing free online coaching support aimed at helping students and young people prepare for competitive examinations. He said India's demographic strength should be converted into a major national advantage through education, skills and technology. Modi called upon young Indians to become creators, innovators and entrepreneurs rather than merely consumers of technology. He said India's future would depend on the country's ability to combine its youthful population with advanced technology and innovation.

Push for Semiconductor Manufacturing

The Prime Minister highlighted semiconductor manufacturing as a strategically important sector for India's technological independence. He said India was working towards establishing additional semiconductor manufacturing capacity and indicated a target of five to eight semiconductor plants over the next seven to eight years. The initiative is intended to strengthen India's position in electronics, automobiles, telecommunications, defence and other technology-intensive sectors.

Energy Security and Nuclear Power

Energy security also featured prominently in the Independence Day address. Modi outlined India's ambition to expand nuclear power capacity and set a target of 100 GW of nuclear power generation by 2047. He said reliable and secure energy would be essential for sustaining India's economic expansion and achieving the country's long-term development goals. The Prime Minister linked energy security with India's broader objective of reducing dependence on external sources and strengthening domestic industrial capacity.

Atmanirbhar Bharat and Manufacturing

Modi highlighted the growth of India's manufacturing capabilities over the past decade, pointing to progress in sectors including defence, electronics, khadi and railway equipment. He said India needed to move from being a major market for imported products to becoming a leading global manufacturing and export hub. Greater domestic production, he said, would create employment, encourage innovation and strengthen India's economic resilience. The Prime Minister urged citizens to support Indian products and local entrepreneurs as part of the country's journey towards self-reliance.

Defence Self-Reliance

National security and defence preparedness were another important component of the speech. Modi stressed the importance of building India's defence capabilities domestically and reducing dependence on imported defence equipment. He said the country had made significant progress in indigenous defence manufacturing and that self-reliance in defence was essential for national sovereignty and security. He also linked India's technological development with its strategic capabilities, emphasising the need for continued investment in advanced technologies.

Warning Against Maoist Violence and 'Dimagi Naxals'

The Prime Minister declared that armed Maoist violence was nearing its end after years of security operations. At the same time, he warned against what he described as "dimagi Naxals", referring to people he said promote Maoist ideology and could encourage unrest. Modi argued that the country needed to remain alert against forces that seek to create violence or instability. The remarks became one of the politically prominent portions of his Independence Day address, with critics subsequently questioning the government's characterization of ideological dissent.

National Unity and 'Vande Mataram'

The Prime Minister also invoked the spirit of "Vande Mataram" and stressed national unity, patriotism and collective responsibility. The ceremonial programme at the Red Fort featured a significant emphasis on the national song, with reports noting that "Vande Mataram" was played in a prominent first-time ceremonial context during the Independence Day programme. Modi said India's strength lay in its unity and called upon citizens to place national interest above narrow divisions.

Technology and Digital India

The Prime Minister highlighted India's progress in digital technology, internet access, patents and digital transactions. He said India's technological transformation was creating new opportunities for citizens and businesses and that the country should continue investing in emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence, semiconductors and advanced manufacturing. He also underlined the importance of ensuring that technology remained accessible to ordinary citizens and contributed directly to economic opportunity and social development.

Infrastructure and Public Services

Modi pointed to improvements in infrastructure and basic services, including tap water connections, gas connections, sanitation, housing, metro networks and public transportation. He said infrastructure development should continue at a faster pace to support urbanisation, industrial growth and improved quality of life.

India's Global Economic Ambitions

The Prime Minister said India was increasingly positioning itself as a major global economic and manufacturing power. He highlighted India's expanding engagement in international trade and said the country was pursuing opportunities to strengthen exports and build global supply-chain capabilities. India, he said, should aim not merely to participate in global economic growth but to play a leading role in shaping it.

Sports and Olympic Preparation

The Prime Minister also spoke about strengthening India's sporting ecosystem and identifying talented young athletes. He announced a special talent-search initiative aimed at identifying and nurturing sporting talent with the objective of improving India's performance at the Olympic Games.

Message to the New Generation

A recurring theme of the speech was the role of India's young population. Modi said the next generation would determine the direction of the country in the decades leading up to 2047. He called upon young Indians to embrace innovation, acquire new skills, develop confidence and contribute to nation-building. He said India's youth should aspire to create globally competitive products, technologies and enterprises from within the country.

Appeal for Collective National Responsibility

Concluding his address, Prime Minister Modi called upon citizens to work collectively to build a stronger, self-reliant and developed India. He said the sacrifices made during the freedom struggle had given the present generation an opportunity to build a new India and urged citizens to approach that responsibility with confidence and determination.

The Prime Minister's Independence Day message combined a long-term 2047 development vision with immediate priorities covering youth, artificial intelligence, manufacturing, semiconductors, energy, defence, agriculture, infrastructure and national security. His central message was that India's next phase of growth must be powered increasingly by self-reliance, domestic innovation and the capabilities of its young population.

BJP Leader K. Laxman Accuses Congress of Blocking Reforms and Hindering Development



Laxman Says Rahul Gandhi's Politics Are Driven by Opposition to PM Modi

HYDERABAD, August 15 (The Journalist Post): Rajya Sabha member and BJP OBC Morcha national president Dr. K. Laxman on Friday accused the Congress and other Opposition parties of obstructing Parliament and slowing the country's development, alleging that their politics was increasingly driven by opposition to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's growing national and international stature. Addressing a media conference at the BJP State office in Hyderabad on the occasion of the 80th Independence Day, Laxman extended greetings to the people and said India's diplomatic outreach under Modi had strengthened the country's position globally. He criticised Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, alleging that his remarks and political actions reflected a lack of understanding of international diplomacy.

Laxman alleged that Opposition parties had repeatedly stalled discussions and legislation concerning major reforms. He cited the proposed One Nation, One Election, Waqf-related amendments, Article 370, Triple Talaq, digital transactions, FCRA provisions and other measures as examples of initiatives that, according to him, faced Opposition resistance. He also accused the Congress and INDIA bloc parties of delaying women's political empowerment, claiming that the government's proposal for greater representation of women in legislatures had faced political obstruction.

Laxman said the BJP would continue working towards implementing women's reservation and strengthening democratic representation. Turning to Telangana politics, Laxman criticised Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and alleged that the Congress government was pursuing policies that were harmful to the interests of Hindus and the broader principles of Sanatana Dharma. He referred to recent political statements by Congress leaders and demanded greater accountability from the State government.

Laxman also accused the Congress leadership of diverting public attention through political rhetoric instead of focusing on development and governance. He urged citizens to judge political parties based on their policies, performance and commitment to national development.

Congress Party's Own MLAs Are Exposing Corruption in Government: KTR

I Fully Agree with Komatireddy Raj Gopal Reddy's Remarks, Says BRS Working President

KTR Questions Centre Over Allegations of Telangana Being Turned into an “ATM for AICC”

HYDERABAD, August 15 (The Journal-ist Post): BRS Working President K. T. Rama Rao (KTR) alleged that corruption and irregularities in Telangana were now being exposed not only by opposition parties but also by legislators belonging to the ruling Congress party. Speaking to news agencies and media representatives at Telangana Bhavan, KTR said he fully agreed with the recent remarks made by Congress MLA Komatireddy Raj Gopal Reddy and claimed that the statements reflected growing dissatisfaction within the ruling party.



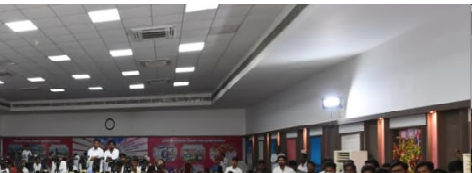
KTR said the Congress government had earlier dismissed corruption allegations raised by opposition parties as political criticism. However, he claimed that ruling-party MLAs were now publicly questioning the functioning of the government and its leadership. According to KTR, such developments raised serious questions about governance and accountability in the State.

Questions Centre Over “ATM for AICC” Allegation

KTR alleged that Telangana had been turned into an “ATM for the AICC” and recalled that Prime Minister Narendra Modi had previously made similar political allegations against the State government. He questioned why the Centre had not ordered a comprehensive investigation if such allegations were serious. KTR

demanding that Central investigating agencies conduct impartial inquiries wherever credible allegations of corruption existed and establish the facts before the public. He said investigations should be conducted strictly according to law, without political considerations, and that those found responsible should face legal action. He also referred to earlier Enforcement Directorate searches involving Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy, questioning the status and outcome of the investigation. KTR said investigative agencies must maintain transparency and credibility so that people could have confidence in their functioning.

Questions Welfare Delivery



KTR Criticises Congress Welfare Record

KTR alleged that welfare schemes associated with the previous BRS government, including Kalyana Lakshmi, Shaadi Mubarak, KCR Kit and Rythu Bima, had been weakened under the Congress government. He further alleged that the Congress government was attempting to dilute or discontinue Kalyana Lakshmi under the cover of a High Court judgment. KTR said welfare programmes benefiting poor and vulnerable sections should not be weakened and demanded that the government clarify its position. KTR also criticised Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, alleging that although the Chief Minister claimed to work for long hours, his efforts were not sufficiently focused on Telangana's broader public interest. He accused the Chief Minister of giving priority to family members, relatives and political followers.

The BRS leader said the government should concentrate on improving welfare delivery, development, transparency and accountability rather than engaging in political accusations. He reiterated that allegations of corruption should be investigated through proper legal mechanisms and that the public deserved clarity on every major allegation involving those in power.

Avoid Cheap Politics and Personal Attacks, Says MLA Beerla Ilaiah

the political backgrounds of leaders. He said it was inappropriate for a public representative to make personal comments against a BC leader holding a key constitutional-political position in the state Congress organisation.

Referring to Arvind's political career and family background, Ilaiah questioned how a person who entered politics through one party and later criticised it could justify such political conduct. He also raised questions about the sources of wealth and properties associated with Arvind's family, urging him to provide clarity i

against political op



Ilaiah recalled that Mahesh Kumar Goud, a BC leader from the Nizamabad region, was serving as TPCC president and deserved respect. He described Goud as a leader known for integrity, culture, honesty and dedication, and

said political disagreements should be expressed through issues, policies and principles rather than personal criticism.

The MLA also questioned the BJP's claims of upholding Hindu culture and traditions, asking whether personal attacks and political insults were consistent with the values being advocated by the party.



is not permanent and positions are not permanent. The people are the final decision-makers,” Ilaiah said, warning political leaders against arrogance and divisive politics. He urged Gundu Arvind to immediately apologise to Mahesh Kumar Goud for the alleged personal remarks. Ilaiah said opposition parties had the democratic right to criticise government policies and raise public issues, but personal attacks should not become a method of political debate. He appealed to political leaders across parties to maintain dignity and focus on issues concerning the people and the development of Telangana.

Independence Day Is the Result of Immortal Sacrifices: Sabbir Pasha

Tanners' Representatives Seek Solutions to Housing and Livelihood Issues

Association Submits Memorandum to MLA Koonanneni Sambasiva Rao



CHANDRUGONDA , August 15 (The Journalist Post): The freedom enjoyed by the people of India today is the result of the immortal sacrifices of freedom fighters, Tanners' Associations State JAC Convenor Koosapati Srinivas said on Saturday. The remarks were made during the 80th Independence Day celebrations organised under the auspices of the Tanners' Association in Kothagudem. On the occasion, Sabbir Pasha hoisted the National Flag and extended Independence Day greetings to members of the association and the public. Speaking at the programme, the leaders recalled the sacrifices of great personalities including Bhagat Singh, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Rani Rudrama Devi and Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. They called upon people to draw inspiration from their sacrifices and work with a spirit of service for the development of the country.

Sabbir Pasha said efforts would be made to address the long-standing problems faced by tanners and leather workers. The association sought support for providing housing sites, establishing shopping complexes and facilitating corporation loans to improve the economic condition of members of the community.

Tanners Seek MLA's Intervention

Representatives of tanners' unions, under the leadership of State JAC Convenor Koosapati Srinivas, met MLA Koonanneni Sambasiva Rao and submitted a memorandum outlining their problems. The representatives brought issues related to allotted land and other difficulties faced by tanners to the MLA's attention. They requested him to examine their concerns positively and take necessary steps to provide relief and justice to the affected families.

The MLA was urged to support initiatives aimed at improving the livelihood opportunities and overall development of the tanners' community. Representatives of the Tanners' Association, Kothagudem Municipal Mayor, corporators and other community representatives participated in the programme. The association leaders expressed hope that coordinated efforts by public representatives and the government would help resolve the community's long-pending issues and create better opportunities for leather workers.

Free Medical Camp Organised for Devotees at Srisailem Punyakshetram

- ☐ Doctors Provide Medical Services and Free Medicines to Pilgrims
- ☐ Organisers Vow to Continue Service Activities for Devotees



ACHAMPET, August 15 (The Journalist Post): A free medical camp was organised for devotees visiting the Srisailem Punyakshetram on Independence Day, August 15, with the objective of providing immediate healthcare assistance to pilgrims. The medical camp was organised at the Srisailem Padmashali Satram in memory of the parents of Dr. Chiluveru Srinivas, Chiluveru Mallappa and Mallamma. The programme was inaugurated by Satram President Jerepu Chandrashekhar. Speaking on the occasion, the organisers said Dr. Chiluveru Srinivas had been conducting medical services at the pilgrim centre for the past 17 years. They appreciated his continued efforts to provide healthcare support to devotees visiting Srisailem.

Doctors Dr. Sri Sathya, Ashok, Manojkumar and Saivinita provided medical consultations and services to pilgrims during the camp. Free medicines were also distributed to devotees who required treatment. Satram Manager Allapuri Krishna, Assistant Manager G. Guru Raju, and staff members P. V. Giridhar, Nagarjun and others participated in the programme and assisted in making arrangements for the medical camp.

The organisers said such service-oriented initiatives were particularly useful for devotees who travel long distances to visit the temple and may require medical assistance during their pilgrimage. They expressed their intention to organise more such medical and welfare programmes in the future and appealed to individuals and organisations willing to serve pilgrims to come forward and participate in such initiatives. The organisers said providing timely medical assistance and other basic services would help make the pilgrimage experience safer and more convenient for devotees visiting Srisailem.

Public Government Is for the People: Bhatti Vikramarka

Indiramma Government Lays Foundation for a Bright Future, Says Deputy CM

Telangana Will Be Developed to Compete with the World

KHAMMAM, August 15 (The Journalist Post): Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka said the Indiramma public government was committed to serving the people and laying strong foundations for Telangana's future. He said the government was not functioning for those in power or for personal interests, but to ensure welfare, dignity and equal opportunities for citizens.



Bhatti Vikramarka made the remarks while participating in the distribution of Digital Smart Ration Cards at the Khammam Collectorate on Independence Day. He said the occasion was a reminder of the sacrifices made by freedom fighters and the leaders who established India's democratic and constitutional system.

The Deputy Chief Minister said Telangana

has around 1.15 crore families, of which 1,06,28,092 families have ration cards. Through the public distribution system, the government is providing 6 kg of fine-quality rice per person every month to 3,42,57,109 beneficiaries. He said the market price of fine rice is around Rs 50–Rs 55 per kg, while eligible beneficiaries receive it free of cost under the government programme.

In Khammam district, 62,158 new ration cards have been sanctioned in addition to the existing 4,73,275 cards, he said.

Bhatti Vikramarka also highlighted the government's healthcare and housing initiatives. He said the Rajiv AarogyaSri health coverage was increased from Rs 5 lakh to Rs 10 lakh, while Indiramma houses were being constructed to ensure that poor families have permanent

homes. He said poor households were also receiving up to 200 units of free electricity. Under the Mahalakshmi scheme, women are being provided free travel in RTC buses, with the government having paid more than Rs 10,700 crore to the RTC towards the scheme.

The Deputy Chief Minister said Telangana would be developed beyond merely competing with other States and would aspire



to reach a level comparable with developed countries. He reiterated that the government's focus would remain on people-centred governance, welfare and comprehensive development.

BRS Leaders Accuse AP of Drawing Krishna Water Beyond Its Share

Naveen Kumar Reddy Criticises Congress Government Over Smart Ration Cards

dents in schools during the KCR government and said welfare programmes should focus on beneficiaries rather than political publicity. He further claimed that political leaders could not win public support merely through photographs and publicity campaigns, asserting that KCR had established a lasting place in the hearts of Telangana people. Former Sats chairman Allipur Venkateshwar Reddy, Legal Cell representatives Kalyan Rao and Sadanand, and other BRS leaders participated in the press conference.

Grand Independence Day Celebrations Held at Telangana DGP Office

freedom fighters and national leaders whose sacrifices contributed to India's independence. They recalled the importance of protecting the values of the Constitution, democracy and national unity.

The celebrations at the DGP office reflected the commitment of the police department towards serving and protecting the people while upholding the nation's constitutional values. Officials and staff extended their Independence Day greetings to citizens and reaffirmed their dedication to public service.

Telangana's Krishna River Share Must Be Protected, Says Former Minister V. Srinivas Goud

HYDERABAD, August 15 (The Journalist Post): Former Telangana Minister V. Srinivas Goud alleged that Andhra Pradesh was attempting to draw Krishna river water beyond its legitimate share and urged the Telangana government to take immediate steps to protect the State's water interests. Speaking at a press conference at Telangana Bhavan, Srinivas Goud alleged



that Andhra Pradesh had written to the Krishna River Management Board (KRMB) seeking permission to utilise a larger share of Krishna water. He claimed that proposals were also being advanced to divert water from the Krishna basin towards the Pennar basin, which, he argued, could adversely affect Telangana's irrigation interests.

Srinivas Goud questioned the Telangana government's response to developments concerning Krishna water and alleged that the Andhra Pradesh government was gaining confidence because of what he described as the Telangana government's weak approach to inter-State water issues. He urged Telangana irrigation officials to remain vigilant and strongly represent the State's interests before the KRMB and Godavari River Management Board (GRMB). He alleged that Andhra Pradesh was attempting to exercise greater influence over river-water management institutions and demanded that Telangana officials take a firm position.

The former minister also raised concerns over the alleged utilisation of water from projects connected to Srisaillam and Nagarjuna Sagar, claiming that Telangana's irrigation interests should not be compromised. He questioned whether the Irrigation Minister was adequately monitoring the developments and called for greater transparency in water-management decisions. Srinivas Goud alleged that the previous BRS government under former Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao had firmly resisted attempts to compromise Telangana's water rights. He said the State should not allow its interests to be weakened in the management of Krishna basin resources.

Naveen Kumar Reddy Criticises Smart Ration Card Campaign BRS

MLC Naveen Kumar Reddy criticised the Congress government over the distribution and publicity surrounding new smart ration cards. He alleged that the government was giving excessive publicity to the smart ration card programme while failing to adequately address the broader concerns of beneficiaries. He questioned the inclusion of photographs of Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and Irrigation and Civil Supplies Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy in connection with the ration card distribution programme. Naveen Kumar Reddy alleged that the Congress government had failed to maintain the welfare standards established during the previous BRS administration. He recalled the distribution of fine rice to stu-

Education Can Drive Social Development, Says Bhatti Vikramarka

Young India Integrated School Works Must Be Completed on Schedule

BONAKAL, August 15 (The Journalist Post): Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka said education is the strongest means of achieving social development and building a society free from discrimination. He said the government was committed to providing quality education to children irrespective of caste, religion, economic status or region.

Bhatti Vikramarka inspected the ongoing construction works of the

Young India Integrated Residential School in Bonakal on Saturday. During the inspection, he reviewed the progress of classrooms, hostel buildings, science and computer laboratories, kitchen and dining facilities and other infrastructure.

The Deputy Chief Minister directed officials and contractors to ensure that the construction works were completed according to the prescribed schedule. He warned that there should be no



unnecessary delay due to negligence and instructed officials to accelerate the works by increasing the number of workers wherever required. Officials informed him about the progress of junior hostel buildings. Of the four proposed structures, three have al-

LB Nagar Leaders Mark 80th Independence Day with Patriotic Celebrations

Sudheer Reddy, Former Corporators and Party Workers Participate in National Flag Events

National Flag Hoisted at Champapet in Presence of Residents and Activists

HYDERABAD, August 15 (The Journalist Post): On the occasion of the 80th Independence Day, LB Nagar MLA Devi



Reddy Sudheer Reddy extended greetings to the people and participated in Independence Day celebrations along with former corporators, senior leaders, party workers, women, students and residents from various divisions of the LB Nagar Assembly constituency. The celebrations were marked by the hoisting of the National Flag and patriotic programmes organised across different areas of the constituency. Leaders and party activists recalled the sacrifices of freedom fighters and called upon citizens to uphold the values of the Constitution, democracy and national unity. As part of the celebrations, a National Flag was hoisted at the LB Nagar city association office near Durga Nagar Colony in Champapet Division. Local leaders, activists, residents and members of the community participated in the programme with patriotic fervour.

Speaking on the occasion, the leaders conveyed their Independence Day greetings to the people and stressed the importance of unity and collective responsibility in strengthening the nation. The participation of women, students, senior citizens, party workers and colony residents added to the festive atmosphere. The organisers said Independence Day celebrations provide an opportunity to remember the sacrifices of those who fought for India's freedom and inspire younger generations to contribute to the country's progress.

ready been completed, while the remaining works are under progress. Bhatti Vikramarka directed officials to complete all remaining structures within the stipulated timelines. He said the Young India Integrated Schools were being established with the objective of enabling students from different social and economic backgrounds to study together in a common environment. Such institutions would help children develop a sense of equality, unity and fraternity, he said.

The Deputy Chief Minister said education would empower Telangana's children to build a better future and contribute to the development of society. He urged officials to maintain construction quality while ensuring timely completion of the school infrastructure.



Technical Assistant Ganta Ramakrishna Receives District Best Award

PARVATHIPURAM MANYAM, August 15 (The Journalist Post): Technical Assistant Ganta Ramakrishna was honoured with the District Best Award during the 80th Independence Day celebrations held at the local Junior College grounds in Parvathipuram Manyam district on Saturday. Ramakrishna was recognised for his dedicated services in the professional field and his contributions to various social and community-oriented activities. Officials and organisers appreciated his commitment to his duties and his efforts to extend services beyond his regular responsibilities. Apart from his professional work, Ramakrishna has also earned recognition as a poet, writer and yoga instructor.

His involvement in yoga-related activities and social welfare programmes has earned appreciation from different sections of society. He has reportedly rendered services in several districts through yoga and sports-related initiatives. His contribution to promoting yoga, health awareness and community welfare, particularly through activities connected with the Yoga Sports Association and Women and



Honoured for Outstanding Professional and Social Services

Collector Presents Appreciation Certificate at Independence Day Celebrations

Child Welfare initiatives, was appreciated on the occasion.

The District Collector presented Ramakrishna with a certificate of appreciation in recognition of his services and contribution to the district.

Yoga sports representatives and yoga instructors also extended their special congratulations to him for his achievements and commitment to promoting yoga and healthy living. Project Director K. Ramachandra Rao also appreciated Ramakrishna's services and congratulated him on receiving the district-level recognition.

Employment support staff, including B. Venkataramana, and other officials and representatives participated in the programme and congratulated the award recipient. The organisers said the recognition would encourage Ramakrishna and other employees to continue providing dedicated services to the public and contributing to the overall development of the district.

Grand Tiranga Yatra Held at Tank Bund with Patriotic Fervour Under N. Ramchander Rao

people. Rao highlighted several Central government projects in Telangana, including the Sammakka-Sarakka Tribal University, modernization of railway stations, Kazipet Railway Manufacturing Unit, revival of Ramagundam Fertilizers and Chemicals Limited, Kakatiya Mega Textile Park, Zaheerabad NIMZ, Civil Aviation Research Organization and MMTS expansion. He claimed that these initiatives were contributing to the state's development. Launching a sharp attack on Congress, Rao alleged that the previous BRS government left Telangana with a debt burden exceeding Rs 4.5 lakh crore, while claiming the Congress government had added more than Rs 2 lakh crore during its tenure. He also accused the ruling party of failing to implement its six electoral guarantees and other promises, including commitments relating to BC reservations.

Rao criticized the state government over pending fee-reimbursement dues, alleging that nearly Rs 12,000 crore remains outstanding and urging the government to prioritize students' interests. He also opposed the proposed land policies and changes to the Greater Hyderabad municipal structure, alleging that they could place additional burdens on the public.

The BJP state chief further claimed that more than 90 per cent of the funding for free rice distributed through ration shops comes from the Centre, and questioned the absence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's photograph on smart ration cards. Highlighting the performance of the NDA government, Rao said India has made significant progress in infrastructure, defence, technology, space research, semiconductors and manufacturing. He pointed to the expansion of institutions such as IITs, AIIMS, IIMs and NITs, while citing schemes including Startup India, Stand-Up India, Make in India and MUDRA as initiatives aimed at encouraging young people to become entrepreneurs and job creators.

The Independence Day programme was attended by Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Bandi Sanjay Kumar, former Governor Bandaru Dattatreya, Rajya Sabha MP K. Laxman, Malkajgiri MP Eatala Rajender, and several senior BJP leaders, office-bearers and party workers.

RTI Act Practice Committee Holds Grand Independence Day Celebrations

HYDERABAD, August 15 (The Journalist Post): The Right to Information Act Practice Committee organised grand Independence Day celebrations in Hyderabad under the leadership of National Chairman Dr. Chanti Mudiraj and State President Smt. Srivastava. Telangana State Information Commissioner Vishwa Bhupal attended the programme as the chief guest and hoisted the National Flag.

The participants remembered the sacrifices of the freedom fighters who laid down their lives for the country's independence and paid tribute to their contribution to India's democratic journey. Speaking on the occasion, Telangana State Information Commissioner Vishwa Bhupal said the Right to Information Act (RTI Act) is one of the most important instruments available to citizens in a democracy.

He said the legislation provides people with an opportunity to promote transparency and accountability in government administration. He urged citizens to understand their rights under the RTI Act and use them responsibly to obtain information in the public interest. Greater public awareness, he said, would help strengthen democratic institutions and improve accountability in governance.

National Chairman Dr. Chanti Mudiraj said



Telangana State Information Commissioner Vishwa Bhupal Attends as Chief Guest

Speakers Stress Transparency, Accountability and Citizens' Right to Information

the committee would continue conducting awareness programmes on the RTI Act and educating people about their legal right to access information. He said effective use of the RTI mechanism could contribute to greater transparency and help in efforts to curb corruption.

State President Srivastava said the sacrifices and aspirations of the freedom fighters placed a responsibility on every citizen to work for justice, transparency and accountability. She said the committee would strive to take awareness about citizens' RTI rights to the village level and encourage people to use the law for public welfare.

The speakers also emphasised the importance of protecting the values of national unity, integrity, democracy and constitutional rights. National Chief Secretary Mallam Venkatesh, National Secretary Garden Srinivas, State Conveners Kifayat Ali and Gadapa Krishna, State Vice-President Prakash Patel, Rangareddy District President Guddeti Praveen, Mahesh Yadav, Chiluk Narayana, Kanakambaram, Sharat, Deepak Kulkarni, Shekhar Goud, Ramesh and Chaitanya, along with committee leaders, members, activists, public representatives and prominent personalities from different fields, participated in the celebrations. The participants exchanged Independence Day greetings and pledged to work for public welfare while upholding the principles of democracy, transparency and national unity.

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Mandal Prajavani to Be Held Every Monday in Sujathanagar

♦ *Public Can Submit Complaints Directly to Officials from 10 AM to 1 PM*

♦ *Officials from 26 Departments to Participate in Weekly Grievance Programme*

CHANDRUGONDA, August 15 (The Journalist Post): A Mandal Prajavani programme will be conducted every Monday at the Sujathanagar Mandal Parishad office to provide people with an opportunity to directly present their grievances and seek solutions from government authorities, officials said. According to Mandal Parishad officials, the public grievance programme will be held every Monday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. under the supervision of the Mandal Parishad Development Officer and the designated nodal officer.

Residents can directly submit their complaints, applications and requests to the concerned officials during the programme. Officials said the initiative was aimed at ensuring that public grievances are addressed promptly and that people do not have to make repeated visits to government offices to pursue their problems.

Officials from 26 government departments at the mandal level have been directed to participate in the Prajavani programme. Departments expected

to attend include Panchayat Raj, Revenue, Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Education, Medical and Health, Welfare, Police, Housing, Roads and Buildings, Water Conservation, Forest and other departments. Officials said complaints received from the public would be forwarded to the respective departments for necessary action. Coordination among departments would be ensured to facilitate timely resolution of grievances.

The authorities appealed to residents of Sujathanagar Mandal to make use of the weekly programme and bring their genuine problems directly to the notice of the concerned officials. They said the Mandal Prajavani would serve as an important platform for strengthening direct communication between the public and the administration and improving the delivery of government services at the grassroots level.



Grand 80th Independence Day Celebrations Held in Chandrugonda

National Flag Hoisted at Indira Gandhi Statue“Congress Leaders, Public Representatives and Workers Participate in Celebrations

CHANDRUGONDA, August 15 (The Journalist Post): The 80th Independence Day was celebrated with patriotic fervour at Chandrugonda Mandal centre in the Ashwaraopet Assembly constituency of Bhadradi Kothagudem district on Saturday.



The celebrations were organised under the leadership of Mandal Congress Party President Nallamothe Venkatramana at the statue of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. On the occasion, Venkatramana hoisted the national flag and led the gathering in singing the national anthem. “Following the flag-hoisting ceremony, Congress leaders and party workers paid floral tributes to the statue of Indira Gandhi and the portrait of Mahatma Gandhi, remembering their contributions to the nation and the freedom struggle.

The programme witnessed the participation of a large number of Congress leaders, public representatives and party workers from across the mandal. Senior mandal leaders, village Congress committee presidents, women leaders, sarpanches, upa-sarpanches and ward members attended the celebrations. Representatives of the SC, ST, BC and Minority Cells, Seva Dal presidents, Youth Congress leaders, party activists, supporters and social media coordinators also participated in the programme. The gathering highlighted the importance of preserving the values of freedom, democracy and national unity while remembering the sacrifices of the country's freedom fighters and national leaders. Congress leaders called upon party workers and citizens to work collectively for the development of the region and uphold the democratic and constitutional values of the nation. The celebrations concluded with patriotic spirit and tributes to the leaders who played a significant role in India's freedom movement and nation-building.

Ambedkar Statue Is a Symbol of Equality and Social Justice: MLA Jare Adinarayana

■ *Statue Unveiled at Ashwaraopet Main Ring Road*

■ *MLA Calls Upon Youth to Follow Ambedkar's Path and Use Education as a Weapon*



CHANDRUGONDA, August 15 (The Journalist Post): The statue of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar is not merely a structure but a powerful symbol of equality, social justice and human dignity, Ashwaraopet MLA Jare Adinarayana said.

The MLA unveiled the statue of Dr. Ambedkar at the Ashwaraopet Main Ring Road Centre on Saturday during a grand programme attended by public representatives, community leaders and residents. Speaking on the occasion, Jare Adinarayana said Ambedkar's life remained a source of inspiration for poor and marginalised families as well as young students. Despite facing caste discrimination during his childhood, Ambedkar overcame social barriers through education and emerged as one of India's most influential thinkers and nation-builders.

The MLA recalled Ambedkar's message that while a person's birth is not in their hands, the way they shape their life is within their control. He said Ambedkar demonstrated through his own life how education, determination and knowledge could help individuals overcome social obstacles. He highlighted Ambedkar's expertise in several fields, including economics, political science, law and history, and recalled his lifelong struggle for the rights of marginalised communities. Ambedkar firmly believed that every individual had the right to live with dignity and equality, he said.

The MLA described Dr. Ambedkar as the principal architect of the Indian Constitution and said his contribution was fundamental to establishing equality, liberty, justice and democratic values in the country. He appealed to the youth to study Ambedkar's life, understand the Constitution and use education as a weapon for social transformation. He urged people to follow Ambedkar's ideals of social justice, equal opportunities and human dignity. The programme was attended by Municipal Chairperson Joopalli Shashikala, Vice-Chairperson Joopalli Ramesh, Atma Committee Chairman Sunkavalli Veerabhadra, members of the Ambedkar Committee, municipal councillors and others.

Grand 80th Independence Day Celebrations Held in North Pondu

• *Village Elders and Youth Organise Patriotic Programme*

• *National Flag Hoisted, Freedom Fighters Remembered*

CHANDRUGONDA, August 15 (The Journalist Post): The 80th Independence Day was celebrated with patriotic fervour at North Pondu village in Chandrugonda Mandal of Bhadradi Kothagudem district on Saturday. Village elders and youth jointly organised the celebrations with enthusiasm and pride. As part of the programme, the National Flag was hoisted and the gathering joined in singing the National Anthem. The participants remembered the great freedom fighters who sacrificed their lives for India's independence and paid tribute to their contribution to the nation.

Chandrugonda Mandal leaders, village elders, workers, youth and local residents participated in the celebrations and ex-

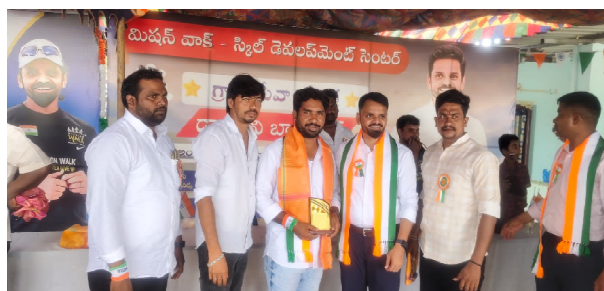


tended their Independence Day greetings to one another. The village witnessed a festive atmosphere as residents raised patriotic slogans and participated enthusiastically in the programme. The organisers said Independence Day provides an opportunity for every citizen to remember the sacrifices of the freedom fighters and strengthen commitment towards the nation's unity and development. The active participation of the younger generation added special significance to the celebrations, with the youth joining village elders in commemorating the country's freedom and celebrating the spirit of patriotism. The programme concluded on a patriotic note with participants reaffirming their commitment to uphold national unity, democratic values and the ideals of the freedom struggle.

Grand 80th Independence Day Celebrations Held Under Mission Walk Foundation

SINGARENI, August 15 (The Journalist Post): The 80th Independence Day was celebrated in a grand manner under the auspices of the Mission Walk Foundation in Kothagudem area of Singareni Mandal on Saturday.

The programme was organised under the chairmanship of Mission Walk Foundation President Dr. Badhavath Ravi. As part of the Independence Day celebrations, the Mission Walk Skill Development Centre was inaugurated with the objective of creating better opportunities for unemployed youth. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Badhavath Ravi said the Skill Development Centre was being established to provide skill-based training and employment opportunities to young men and women. He said the foundation would work towards helping unemployed youth acquire practical skills that could improve their career prospects and livelihood opportunities. He said the Mission Walk Foundation was also continuously working with the objective of providing free medical treatment to poor and needy



people in society. The organisation would continue to expand its social service activities, he added.

Dr. Badhavath Ravi called upon members of the Mission Walk Foundation team to work collectively to achieve the organisation's goals and strengthen its service activities. He said Independence Day was an occasion to renew the spirit of patriotism while also recognising the responsibility of citizens towards society. He urged the youth to move forward with patriotism, service-mindedness and social responsibility and contribute to the development of the country. During the programme, Mission Walk Foundation members and supporters participated in the celebrations and expressed their commitment to expanding skill-development and social welfare activities.

The foundation honoured Dr. Badhavath Ravi for his continued efforts through the organisation. He was felicitated with a shawl and memento as a mark of appreciation. The organisers said the Mission Walk Foundation would continue working for the welfare of youth and economically weaker sections through skill development, healthcare and other community-oriented initiatives.

Students Should Dream Big and Make Their Dreams Come True: KTR

Youth Hold the Future of the Country in Their Hands, Says BRS Working President

KTR Defends Engineers, Highlights Their Role in Nation-Building and Technological Progress

agement and Technology institute in Ghatkesar, where he participated as a guest and congratulated students who received their diploma certificates. He also extended his Independence Day greetings to the people of the country on the



occasion of the 80th Independence Day.

Recalling his own student days, KTR said the knowledge acquired and experiences gained during the student phase remain important throughout one's life. He advised the graduates to establish clear goals, continuously improve their skills and move forward confidently despite challenges. Engineering Students Play Key Role Reacting to recent remarks attributed to Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy about engineering students, KTR said it was inappropriate to make disparaging comments about students, particularly those pursuing engineering. He argued that engineers and technical professionals have made significant contributions to the development of the country.

KTR recalled the contribution of legendary engineer Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya, particularly his efforts to address the challenges faced by Hyderabad during the devastating floods of 1908. He said engineering knowledge and technical expertise have the potential to transform society and strengthen the country. He stressed the importance of giving greater priority to engineering and technical education in Telangana, particularly in sectors such as agriculture, irrigation and infrastructure. He highlighted the role of engineers in the construction of major irrigation projects and other large-scale infrastructure.

Youth and Technology

KTR said the world was rapidly moving towards Artificial Intelligence and advanced technologies, making it essential for young people to remain curious and continuously learn new skills. He encouraged students to explore emerging technologies and prepare themselves for future employment and entrepreneurial opportunities. He said recent youth-led movements and public campaigns demonstrated the growing influence and social awareness of the younger generation. The concerns raised by young people, he added, could have a wider impact on society and public policy.

KTR also advised students not to fear failure. He said setbacks and mistakes were part of the journey towards success and encouraged graduates to learn from every failure and continue moving forward. Dream big and make those dreams come true,” KTR told the students, urging them to believe in themselves, face challenges courageously and use their knowledge, talent and energy for the progress of the country. He congratulated all the graduates once again and wished them success in their future careers and endeavours.

Singareni Expands Mining and Diversification Plans to Strengthen Future Growth

KOTHAGUDEM, August 15 (The Journalist Post): Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) CMD Dr. Buddha Prakash Jyoti said the organisation was taking major steps to expand coal production, diversify into new mineral sectors and strengthen its position in the competitive energy market. He called upon employees to work with dedication, improve productivity and adopt modern technologies to secure Singareni’s future. Speaking as the chief guest at the 80th Independence Day celebrations held at Prakash Stadium in Kothagudem on Saturday, Dr. Buddha Prakash Jyoti hoisted the National Flag and addressed employees, officials and guests.

The CMD said the State Government’s support had helped Singareni secure new mining opportuni-



ties that would strengthen Telangana’s energy security. He said the company had obtained the long-awaited mining lease for Tadicherla-2 coal block, providing an opportunity to produce around 340 million tonnes of coal and undertake mining operations for nearly 40 years. He said the PK OC-2 Deep Side Block, containing estimated coal reserves of around 120 million tonnes, was also being taken forward as part of Singareni’s expansion plans. The new blocks, he said, would help ensure adequate coal supplies to Telangana’s power sector and contribute to regional

development.

Diversification into Critical Minerals

Dr. Buddha Prakash Jyoti said Singareni was expanding beyond conventional coal mining and entering the critical minerals sector. The organisation had secured a licence for exploration of gold and copper minerals in Devadurga, Karnataka, and exploration activities would commence shortly. Preparations were also under way to explore the possibility of extracting rare earth elements from Singareni’s open-cast mines. He said the recently established Singareni Geo Science Laboratory at Kothagudem would strengthen mineral exploration and geological research capabilities.

Focus on Technology and Productivity

The CMD stressed the need for greater use of modern mining technology to improve production while reducing operational costs. He said cost control, efficient utilisation of heavy machinery and optimum use of human resources were essential for Singareni to remain competitive. He urged employees to adopt advanced mining practices, increase productivity and reduce the cost of coal production. Diversification, he said, would also require the organisation to continuously upgrade its technologies and operational methods. Dr.



Prabhas' 'Fauzi' Unveils Powerful Independence Day Poster

HYDERABAD,

August 15: The makers of Prabhas-starrer Fauzi unveiled a striking new poster on Independence Day, offering another glimpse into the period action drama directed by Hanu Raghavapudi. The intense visual reflects the film's historical setting and focuses on the sacrifices associated with India's struggle for freedom.



The poster presents a war-ravaged setting with smoke, flames and destruction, while the Charminar can be seen in the background. Prabhas is shown from behind, keeping his character's face out of frame and adding further mystery to the promotional campaign.

The makers accompanied the poster with the message, “Before freedom became a celebration, it was a battle! Fauzi is being presented as a fictional period story set against a historical backdrop, with Prabhas reportedly portraying a British Indian soldier. The film also features Imanvi, Anupam Kher, Mithun Chakraborty and Jaya Prada in important roles.

Veteran actor Anupam Kher has expressed pride in being part of the project, describing it as a major production. The latest poster has generated considerable discussion among Prabhas fans, particularly for its darker visual tone and historical atmosphere.

Directed by Hanu Raghavapudi and produced by Mythri Movie Makers, Fauzi is currently scheduled for a December 3, 2026 theatrical release. The film is expected to be mounted on a large scale, combining action, romance and historical drama.

Buddha Prakash Jyoti thanked Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and Deputy Chief Minister and Energy Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka for their continued support for Singareni’s growth and expansion.

Employee Welfare Gets Priority

The CMD said Singareni remained committed to employee welfare and had taken steps to strengthen medical services. He highlighted the establishment of a cath lab at Ramagundam Area

Hospital to provide emergency cardiac care to workers and their families. He said the organisation was working towards transforming Singareni into a nationally recognised mining company while ensuring the welfare of its workforce. Before the central function began, Singareni directors and labour union leaders welcomed the CMD. Following the flag hoisting, cultural programmes featuring the company’s Scouts and Guides, colour party, students and poetry performances were organised. Best-performing workers selected from different Singareni areas, along with officers and other employees, were honoured during the celebrations. Senior officials, labour representatives, employees and students participated in the programme.

