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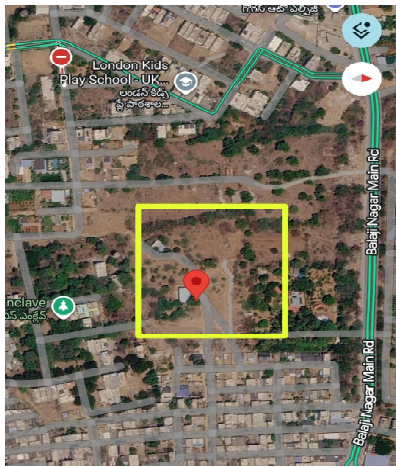
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■ **Three-Acre Parcel Allegedly Divided into 120 Plots**

■ **Questions Raised Over Layout Approval, Land Title and Registrations**

Hyderabad/ Jawaharnagar, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post Special Investigation): A reported real estate development involving around three acres of land in Jawaharnagar has raised questions over the subdivision of the property into residential plots, the applicable approvals and the ownership history of the land. According to information circulating locally, the three-acre



parcel has allegedly been divided into approximately 120 plots, with each plot said to measure around 80 square yards. Local reports suggest that individual plots

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LATEST UPDATE

Chakali Ilamma Jayanti Observed at Telangana DGP Office



Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): The Telangana Police on Saturday observed the birth anniversary of Chakali Ilamma at the office of the Director General of Police. D.G. (Law and

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Ramchander Rao Hits Back at Revanth Reddy Over 'Gandhi Parivar' Remark



Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Telangana BJP president N. Ramchander Rao criticised Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy over his recent description of the political contest in India as a battle between the "Gandhi Parivar" and the "Sangh Parivar." Rao, who is currently on a tour of Australia, described the Chief Minister's remarks as politically misplaced and said they reflected what he characterised as differences between Congress and the BJP's political approaches.

Revanth Reddy made the remarks in Nilambur, Kerala, while receiving the Aryadan Muhammed-2026 Best Public Servant Award. He said the political struggle over India's future was between the Gandhi Parivar and Sangh Parivar and appealed to

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Revanth Reddy Demands Bharat Ratna for Former PM Manmohan Singh



CM Calls for Knowledge Centre in Delhi in Singh's Honour

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has urged the Union government to confer the Bharat Ratna, the country's highest civilian award, on former Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh. The Chief Minister made the demand while unveiling a bronze statue of the former Prime Minister at Wipro Circle in Gachibowli on Saturday, coinciding with Singh's birth anniversary. Reports confirmed that the statue was installed in Hyderabad's IT corridor for the occasion.

Revanth Reddy also called for the establishment of a Knowledge Centre in New Delhi in memory of Manmohan Singh. He criticised the Union gov-

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Telangana Targets Rs 50,000 Crore Tourism Investment, 5 Lakh Jobs: BATTI, Jupally

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Tourism, Culture and Archaeology Minister Jupally Krishna Rao said the State government is working to transform Telangana into a leading tourism destination in the country by attracting major investments, generating employment and adopting technology-driven tourism services. Speaking at a World Tourism Day programme at Shilparamam,



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RS Praveen Kumar Raises Allegations Over SC Sarpanch's Treatment in Vanguru



SEEKS ACTION ON ALLEGED ILLEGAL MINING AND WIDER PROBE UNDER GO 134

Vanguru, Nagarkurnool, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): BRS State General Secretary Dr. R.S. Praveen Kumar has alleged discrimination against an SC woman Sarpanch in Vanguru mandal for opposing alleged illegal sand mining and demanded that Achampet MLA Dr. Vamsi Krishna apologise to the Sarpanch, Kashamma of Jajala village. The allegations were made during his visit to the area on Saturday. Praveen Kumar alleged that Kashamma had faced difficulties in securing payments for village development works after opposing what he described

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Harish Rao Unveils Chakali Ilamma Statue in Gajwel



Gajwel, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Former Telangana Minister and BRS leader T. Harish Rao unveiled a statue of Chakali Ilamma in Gajwel on Saturday on the occasion of her birth anniversary and recalled her role in the Telangana armed peasant struggle and her fight for land and livelihood. Speaking at the programme, Harish Rao described Ilamma as a symbol of courage who stood with oppressed com-

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Government Aims to Make Telangana Free of Thatched-Roof Huts: Ponguleti



Jangaon, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Revenue, Housing and Information & Public Relations Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy said the state government is working towards making Telangana free of thatched-roof huts and ensuring that every eligible poor family receives an Indiramma house in a phased manner. He was speaking at a programme held at the Preston College grounds

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Action Plan for Rural Development, Drinking Water: Seethakka

Rs 3,382 Crore Road Works Planned Across Four Combined Districts



Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Minister Seethakka said the State government is implementing a comprehensive action plan focusing on rural development, employment generation, road infrastructure and drinking water supply. She said region-specific plans are being prepared by

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Kavitha Announces Political Fight Over Education and Healthcare



Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Rakshana Sena president Kalvakuntla Kavitha has announced a political campaign focusing on education and healthcare, while criticising the Telangana government over what she described as shortcomings in public services. Addressing a press conference in Banjara Hills, she described the Revanth Reddy government as a "failure government" and alleged that administrative shortcomings

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EDITORIAL

At the UN, Facts Must Speak Louder Than Propaganda



September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post Editorial):

The exchange between External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar and a Pakistani journalist at the United Nations was brief, but it exposed the deeper problem confronting India-Pakistan discourse: competing narratives repeatedly replacing a serious discussion on terrorism and accountability.

When the journalist questioned India over alleged sponsorship of terrorism in Pakistan, Jaishankar rejected the premise sharply. His response came against the backdrop of his UNGA address, in which he said attempts to normalise terrorism or claim immunity from its consequences would not stand and asserted India's right to defend itself against terrorism.

The lesson for journalists is equally important. Tough questions are essential in international diplomacy, but tough questions must also be accompanied by evidence. Allegations against any country cannot become established facts merely because they are repeated at a press conference.

India and Pakistan have fundamentally different accounts of terrorism, Kashmir and regional security. Pakistan rejects India's accusations, while India has repeatedly raised concerns about cross-border terrorism. The responsibility of the international media is not to amplify either side's narrative uncritically, but to demand evidence, context and accountability from both. The UN should remain a forum where facts withstand scrutiny—not a stage where propaganda is elevated above responsibility.

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are being offered at prices ranging from about Rs 20 lakh to more than Rs 30 lakh, depending on their location and other factors. If 120 plots were sold at Rs 20 lakh each, the estimated gross value would be Rs 24 crore. At Rs 30 lakh per plot, the figure would rise to approximately Rs 36 crore. These are only mathematical estimates based on reported plot numbers and indicative prices and should not be treated as confirmed transaction values.

How Were 120 Plots Created?

The reported subdivision raises questions about the actual land-use plan, roads, open spaces, utility areas and plot dimensions. If 120 plots have been created, the relevant authorities would need to establish whether an approved layout exists, which authority sanctioned it, when approval was granted and in whose name the permission was is-

sued. The availability of approved layout documents,



land conversion records, title documents and registration details would be essential to determine whether the reported development complies with applicable regulations.

Questions Over Earlier

Land Ownership

Another issue requiring verification concerns claims that portions of the land may originally have been allotted to ex-servicemen or families of personnel who died in service. These claims have not been independently established. Official revenue and registration records would need to clarify the original allotment, applicable restrictions on transfer, subsequent transactions and the present ownership of the property. If the land was subject to special allotment conditions, authorities would also need to determine

whether subsequent transfers complied with those conditions.

Buyers Advised to Verify Records

For prospective purchasers, verification of title, encumbrance records, land classifica-

tion, layout approval, road access, open-space provisions and registration eligibility is important before entering into any transaction. Any discrepancy in ownership or approvals could potentially lead to disputes later. Given the reported scale of the development, the Revenue Department, Registration Department and concerned local authorities may need to examine the underlying records and clarify the status of the land and layout. Key questions remain: What is the officially recorded extent and ownership of the land? Was it legally subdivided into 120 plots? Who approved the layout, if approval was granted? Are registrations taking place, and under whose names? Documentary verification and an official inquiry would be required to establish the facts.

— A Special Report by The Journalist Post

Tributes Paid to Chakali Ailamma at Chintalakunta

LB Nagar, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): LB Nagar MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy paid tributes to Telangana freedom fighter Chakali Ailamma on her birth anniversary by garlanding her statue at Chintalakunta. Speaking at the programme, the MLA recalled Ailamma's courage and fighting spirit and highlighted her contribution to the struggle for the rights of disadvantaged communities.

Sudheer Reddy said Chakali Ailamma's struggle

for land, livelihood and liberation occupies an important place in the history of Telangana. He said her determination and courage in standing up for the rights of the oppressed continue to inspire younger generations.

The MLA emphasized the importance of remembering Ailamma's contribution to social justice and equality. He said her life and struggles remain relevant in encouraging people to stand against injustice and work toward a more equitable society.



Former corporators Koppula Vittal Reddy and Jitta Rajashekhar Reddy, along with local leaders, party activists and others, participated in the

programme. They paid floral tributes and recalled the role of Chakali Ailamma in Telangana's social and historical movements.

Comprehensive Measures for Welfare of Sheep Rearers: Vakiti Srihari

Insurance and Quality Education for Shepherd Community Children Must Be Ensured

Government to Promote Sheep Rearing as a Modern and Profitable Business

Karimnagar, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Minister for Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development, Fisheries and Youth Services & Sports Vakiti Srihari said the state government would take comprehensive measures to support the economic development and welfare of families dependent on sheep and goat rearing. He was speaking at the general body meeting of the District Sheep and Goat Rearers' Cooperative Society in Karimnagar. The Minister said traditional occupations should be preserved while simultaneously being developed into modern and profitable businesses through technology, better management and organised marketing. He stressed that children from shepherd families should

be encouraged to pursue higher education and build professional careers beyond the traditional occupation.

Srihari urged sheep rearers to insure their livestock to protect themselves from financial losses. He pointed out that sheep are often transported over long distances for grazing and other purposes, increasing the risk of road accidents and other unforeseen incidents. He said insurance could provide financial protection and encouraged breeders to make use of available coverage.

The Minister said the government should review the experience of earlier sheep

distribution programmes and formulate future schemes that



deliver measurable economic benefits to beneficiaries. He called for an integrated policy covering sheep rearing, veterinary services, insurance, fodder availability, marketing, meat sales and processing rather than focusing only on

distribution of animals. He also stressed the need to develop stronger markets for sheep reared in Telangana. Noting that large numbers of sheep are reportedly being brought to Hyderabad from

other states, Srihari said local breeders should receive better market access and opportunities to earn higher returns from their livestock.

The Minister assured representatives that concerns

raised during the meeting, including the debt burden faced by sheep rearers, would be brought to the government's attention. He said he would facilitate a meeting between representatives of the community and Chief Minister Revanth Reddy to discuss their demands. Srihari urged sheep rearers to combine their traditional knowledge with education, technology, insurance and organised marketing. He described the community's traditional occupation as a strength, livestock as an important economic asset and children's education as the foundation for their future.

Ministers Ponnampallabharathi, MLA Medipalli Satyam and Corporation Chairpersons Saritha Thirupathi Yadav, Charan Kaushik Yadav and Borra Gnaneshwar also participated in the programme.



Uttam Demands CEC Gyanesh Kumar's Resignation, Seeks Inquiry Into Electoral-Roll Decisions

Minister Cites Reported Objections Within Election Commission

Calls for Protection of Every Eligible Voter From Administrative and Technological Exclusion

Hyderabad, September 26, 2023 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Irrigation, Food and Civil Supplies Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy on Saturday demanded the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar and sought an impartial inquiry into reported differences within the Election Commission of India over voter registration, deletion and restoration of names, and the management of electoral-roll data. Referring to a recent investigation by The Indian Express, Uttam Kumar Reddy said Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi had reportedly recorded objections at least 14 times over a 10-month period concerning decisions related to electoral rolls and the Election Commission's information systems. The report said the objections included concerns about new voter registrations, deletion and restoration of names, and centralised control of electoral-roll data.

The Minister said the reported developments raised questions about the functioning of the country's constitutional election machinery. He argued that an independent Election Commission is intended to protect citizens' voting rights and said concerns about its functioning should be addressed through transparent explanations and institutional scru-

tiny. Uttam Kumar Reddy also referred to the reported case in Goa, where Electoral Registration Officers examined the documents of 97 voters and found them eligible for inclusion in the final electoral roll. According to The Indian Express, officials subsequently faced difficulties recording the decisions in the election software, and the Goa Chief Electoral Officer repeatedly sought a mechanism to reverse the earlier deletions.

The Minister said such cases demonstrated the importance of ensuring that technology does not prevent authorised election officials from implementing decisions on voter eligibility. He stressed that every eligible voter should have access to an effective mechanism for correction and appeal.



Uttam Kumar Reddy also raised concerns about the reported deletion of voters during the Special Intensive Revision process. The Indian Express reported that more than 13 crore names had been removed from draft rolls across 30 States and Union Territories,

while noting that the figure by itself does not establish that all deletions were wrongful. The Minister further criticised the current mechanism for appointing Election Commissioners, arguing that changes to the selection process have increased the Union government's influence. He also recalled Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's earlier objections to the appointment process. Uttam Kumar Reddy called for an impartial examination of the reported objections, electoral-roll software systems and procedures governing voter registration, deletion and restoration. He said the government should ensure that the electoral process remains transparent and that no eligible citizen is excluded because of administrative or technological shortcomings.

Jakkidi Raghuv​eer Reddy Inspects Ganesh Immersion Arrangements at Mansoorabad

Reviews Preparations at Mansoorabad Pedda Cheruvu

Contributes Rs 20,000 to Anna Prasadam Programme

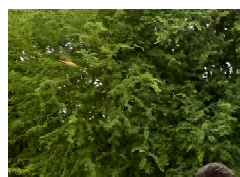
Walkers Association at the lake premises. He congratulated the association members for organising the food distribution initiative as part of the Ganesh festival celebrations.

On the occasion, Raghuveer Reddy announced a contribution of Rs 20,000 towards the Anna Prasadam programme on behalf of the Jakkidi Charitable Trust. He said the trust was pleased to support the service activity and appreciated the efforts of the association members in serving devotees and local residents.

The programme was held amid arrangements for Ganesh idol immersion at the lake, with devotees and organisers participating in the festival-related activities.

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post):

Jakkidi Raghuvver Reddy, Chairman of the Jakkidi Charitable Trust and senior BRS leader from L.B. Nagar, inspected arrangements for the immersion of Lord Ganesha at Mansoorabad Pedda Cheruvu on Saturday along with L.B. Nagar MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy.

A photograph showing two men walking outdoors. The man on the left is wearing a dark blue button-down shirt and light-colored trousers. The man on the right is wearing a white kurta and white dhoti. They are walking on a paved path with green trees in the background.

Following the inspection, Raghuveer Reddy participated in an Anna Prasadam distribution programme organised by the Mansoorabad Pedda Cheruvu



Chakali Ilamma Jayanti Observed at Telangana DGP Office

Order) Mahesh Bhagwat paid floral tributes to her portrait and recalled her contribution to the Telangana armed struggle. Police officers and personnel remembered Ilamma for her courage, determination and commitment to the cause of the people. Speakers at the programme highlighted her role in the movement and her place in Telangana's history, particularly her resistance and contribution during the struggle against feudal oppression.

The programme was attended by AIG

(Administration) J. Anyonya, DSP (Stores) Satyanarayana, Chief Security Officer Yogeshwar Rao, Chief Administrative Officers, Superintendents and other senior police officials and office staff. The officials paid their respects to Chakali Ilamma and recalled the values associated with her life and public struggle. The observance at the DGP office marked the Telangana Police's recognition of her contribution and her enduring place in the State's historical memory.

KLIS Barrage Rehabilitation to Begin by Mid-November: Uttam

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Rehabilitation works on the three major barrages of the Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Scheme (KLIS)—Medigadda, Annaram and Sundilla—are scheduled to begin by mid-November 2026 and are targeted for completion before the 2027 monsoon, Irrigation and Civil Supplies Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy said on Saturday.

ling at the Central Water and Power Research Station (CWPRS), Pune. The modelling is expected to assess hydraulic behaviour and the performance of the proposed energy-dissipation measures under different flow conditions. The designs will be placed before the Technical Oversight Committee under the Central Water Commission (CWC) in New Delhi on October 5 for technical examination and recommendations. Officials have been directed to complete preparatory activities simultaneously so that tendering and execution can begin promptly after the necessary technical clearances.

The Irrigation and Command Area Development Department is preparing detailed cost estimates and finalising the contractual framework. The Minister also directed officials to maintain strict quality-control procedures, independent testing and continuous monitoring throughout the rehabilitation process.

Uttam Kumar Reddy reiterated that the barrages would not be operated until rehabilitation works were completed and the required safety clearances were obtained from the competent national authorities. This is consistent with the government's earlier position that the KLIS barrages should return to operation only after technical rehabilitation and safety certification. He directed officials to ensure that every stage, from design validation and tendering to construction and final safety certification, is properly documented and carried out in accordance with the directions of the NDSA and recommendations of national technical institutions.



The Minister reviewed the rehabilitation proposals with senior officials at his camp office in Hyderabad and said the designs for restoring the structural safety and operational reliability of the three barrages had been finalised. The proposals have been prepared taking into account recommendations and safety concerns raised by the National Dam Safety Authority (NDSA) and other technical agencies. The NDSA has previously recommended rehabilitation before the affected barrages are restored to operation.

The proposed rehabilitation measures include strengthening foundations through grouting, extending stilling basins and constructing new cutoff walls. The measures are intended to improve foundation stability, control under-seepage and address deficiencies associated with energy dissipation. Uttam Kumar Reddy said the designs were undergoing computational fluid dynamics model-

Vinayaka Navaratri Celebrations Held Across L.B. Nagar

Jakkidi Charitable Trust Leaders Visit Multiple Vinayaka Pandals

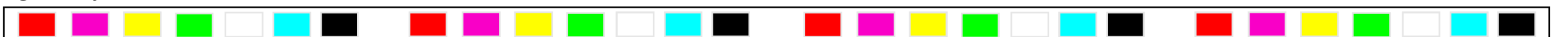
Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Vinayaka Navaratri celebrations were held with devotional fervour across several areas of L.B. Nagar, with Jakkidi Charitable Trust representatives participating in programmes organised at various Vinavaka pandals.

Jakkidi Raghuveer Reddy, Chairman of the Jakkidi Charitable Trust and senior BRS leader from L.B. Nagar, along with MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy, visited Vinayaka pandals in Mansoorabad Division, High Court Colony Division and Lecturers Colony Division.

sion. During the visits, they offered prayers to Lord Ganesha and participated in puja programmes organised by local devotees and commit-tees. They also took part in Anna Prasadam distribution programmes conducted at the pandals.



The organisers and devotees welcomed the leaders during their visits and briefed them on the arrangements made for the celebrations. The programmes provided an opportunity for residents and devotees to come together and participate in religious and community activities during Vinayaka Navaratri. The Jakkidi Charitable Trust said it would continue supporting community-oriented activities and service programmes in the L.B. Nagar area.



Revanth Reddy Demands Bharat Ratna for Former PM Manmohan Singh

ernment for, in his view, not taking steps to establish a memorial for the former Prime Minister in the national capital. He said decisions concerning national leaders should be viewed beyond political considerations. The Chief Minister instructed Congress MPs to raise the Bharat Ratna demand in Parliament and bring the issue to the attention of the Union government. Revanth Reddy recalled Manmohan Singh's association with the formation of Telangana and

recalled Singh's career as an economist, Reserve Bank of India Governor, Union Finance Minister and Prime Minister. He highlighted Singh's role as Finance Minister in the P.V. Narasimha Rao government during the 1991 economic crisis and his association with India's economic liberalisation programme.

Revanth Reddy further credited the UPA government under Singh's leadership with major legislation and welfare initiatives, including the Right



said his tenure as Prime Minister was significant in the process that culminated in the creation of the State. The Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014, which provided for the formation of Telangana as a separate State, was passed by Parliament in February 2014 and subsequently enacted. Singh himself addressed the Rajya Sabha on February 20, 2014, during consideration of the Telangana Bill and announced measures concerning the successor State of Andhra Pradesh.

The Chief Minister also

to Education Act, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act and the Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013.

The Chief Minister said the location of Singh's statue in Hyderabad's IT corridor also symbolically recalls the former Prime Minister's economic policy legacy. He said the statue would serve as an inspiration for future generations and preserve awareness of Singh's contribution to India's economic and social development.

Jakkidi Raghuveer Reddy Meets Harish Rao at L.B. Nagar Programme



Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Jakkidi Raghuveer Reddy, Chairman of the Jakkidi Charitable Trust and senior BRS leader from L.B. Nagar, along with L.B. Nagar MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy, paid a courtesy call on former Telangana Minister and Siddipet MLA T. Harish Rao. The meeting took place during Harish Rao's visit to Chitra Layout Community Hall in the L.B. Nagar constituency, where he attended a programme organised by Rythu Badi.

Jakkidi Raghuveer Reddy said he and MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy met Harish Rao during the programme and exchanged greetings. The interaction brought together BRS leaders from L.B. Nagar and Siddipet during Harish Rao's participation in the farmers-focused event. Harish Rao, a BRS MLA representing Siddipet, has recently participated in several programmes concerning farmers and agricultural issues in Telangana. The courtesy meeting was attended by local leaders and supporters associated with the programme.

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as unauthorised sand mining operations. He claimed that the Sarpanch had even pledged her gold jewellery to raise funds for development works and accused local authorities and political leaders of failing to support her. These allegations have not been independently established.

The BRS leader alleged that sand was being extracted from reaches of the Dundubi stream near Jajala, Ulpara and Pothareddypalli villages using heavy machinery. He questioned the legality of the operations and alleged that excavators were being used to remove and stockpile sand without proper documentation or waybills. He called for an immediate halt to any unauthorised mining, seizure of vehicles and machinery involved, and legal action against those found responsible.

Praveen Kumar further alleged that excessive sand extraction could affect groundwater availability and create difficulties for irrigation and drinking water supplies. He urged the Mining, Revenue and Police departments to inspect the reported sand reaches and take action if violations are established.

Demand for Inquiry Under GO 134

The BRS leader also demanded that complaints concerning land holdings linked to Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy, Revenue Minister Ponguleti Srinivas Reddy and other Congress leaders be examined under the

government's ongoing inquiry into Section 22-A prohibited lands. Recent reports confirm that Praveen Kumar has raised



a similar demand, arguing that the scope of the inquiry should not be limited to opposition leaders. The government has constituted a committee to examine and resolve issues involving properties included in the Section 22-A prohibited list. The government has separately maintained that errors in the 22-A list are being reviewed and corrected, while Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has directed officials to exam-

ine prohibited-list entries and protect genuine private property rights.

Praveen Kumar also questioned the alleged difference in electricity supply arrangements between Kondareddypalli and other villages and sought equal treatment for rural consumers. He visited local areas, paid floral tributes to Chakali Iamma at Polkampalli and interacted with officials during the visit. He said the BRS would continue raising issues concerning village development, SC representatives, land rights, water resources and alleged irregularities in the State. Former Food Corporation chairman Goli Srinivas Reddy, Narender Rao, Satish and other BRS constituency and mandal-level leaders, activists and supporters participated in the programme.

BRS Steps Up Preparations for Graduate MLC Elections

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): The Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) has stepped up preparations for the upcoming Graduate MLC elections in Telangana, with party Working President K.T. Rama Rao holding meetings with leaders and emphasising the importance of voter enrolment. The Election Commission of India has ordered fresh preparation of electoral rolls for the Mahabubnagar-Rangareddy-Hyderabad and Warangal-Khammam-Nalgonda Graduates' constituencies, where vacancies are due in March 2027. The qualifying date for the new rolls is November 1, 2026, and eligible graduates are required to submit fresh applications in Form

18. "As part of the party's preparations, KTR held meetings with BRS leaders at Telangana Bhavan and reviewed organisational plans for the two constituencies. Separate meetings were held with leaders from the erstwhile Warangal, Nalgonda and Khammam districts.

KTR stressed that identifying and enrolling every eligible graduate voter should be a priority for the party organisation. He asked leaders and cadres to prepare constituency-level action plans and ensure that eligible graduates are informed about the fresh enrolment process.

The BRS had also recently

approached Telangana Chief Electoral Officer C. Sudharshan Reddy seeking clarification over the electoral-roll preparation



schedule. The party raised concerns about the overlap between the Graduate MLC enrolment process and the Special Intensive Revision of general electoral rolls. During the meetings, KTR criticised the Congress government over issues concerning students, unemployed youth and graduates. He claimed that dissatisfaction among these sections

could influence the political discourse surrounding the upcoming elections. These observations represent the BRS's political assessment and are not an independent measurement of voter sentiment.

KTR recalled the previous contest in the Warangal-Khammam-Nalgonda Graduates' constituency and called upon party leaders to work collectively for the BRS candidate, irrespective of who is eventually selected. The BRS working president is also scheduled to hold meetings with leaders from the Mahabubnagar, Rangareddy and Hyderabad districts as part of the party's continuing preparations. The official enrolment process for the two constituencies is scheduled to begin with a public notice on September 28, while applications in Form 18 can be submitted until November 6.

Devi Prasad Raises Questions Over PRC, DA and Pensioner Issues

Raises Concerns Over DAs, CPS, Retirement Benefits and Employee Health Services

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Former Telangana Corporation Chairman G. Devi Prasad on Saturday raised a series of questions over the State government's handling of employee and pensioner issues, including the pending Pay Revision Commission (PRC) report, Dearness Allowance (DA), retirement benefits, the Contributory Pension Scheme (CPS) and the Employee Health Scheme.

Addressing a press conference at Telangana Bhavan, Devi Prasad said the government had agreed to release two pending DAs but demanded clarity on the remaining employee dues. The government recently approved two pending DAs, with one ex-

pected to be paid with the October salary and the other around Ugadi, according to reports. Devi Prasad pointed to September 30 as the scheduled expiry of the second PRC and demanded that the government obtain and announce the commission's report before Dasara.

The second PRC was constituted in October 2023, and its report has remained pending amid repeated demands from employee organisations. He questioned whether assurances given by Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka and Chief Secretary Sanjay Jaju were being implemented and warned that employees could consider further agitation if the PRC process was extended without a clear decision.

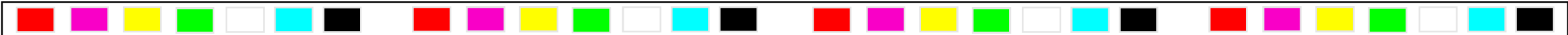
On pensions, Devi Prasad alleged that there was insufficient clarity over arrears and retirement payments. He also questioned the status of the



government's earlier proposal to constitute a study committee on CPS and referred to the Congress election manifesto's promise concerning the pension system. He disputed claims that a major portion of State revenue is spent on employees and said the government spends about 38 per cent of treasury funds on employees. This figure was presented as part of his criticism of what he described as misinformation con-

cerning government staff.

Devi Prasad also raised questions over employee health cards, wellness-centre services and treatment facilities at NIMS. Employee organisations have separately raised concerns about the implementation of the Employee Health Scheme and pending financial benefits. Referring to earlier pay revisions, he highlighted the 43 per cent fitment granted during the previous BRS government and contrasted it with the lower recommendation made by the Biswal Committee. Telangana Today has reported that the earlier PRC recommended 7.5 per cent fitment before the then government approved 43 per cent. Devi Prasad demanded that the government address employee-union concerns, clear pending dues and provide a definite timeline for the PRC. Former STF president Bhujanga Rao and former TGPSC member Sumitranand participated in the press conference.



Harish Rao Unveils Chakali Iamma Statue in Gajwel

munities and challenged feudal landlords. He said she had not received adequate official recognition during the united Andhra Pradesh period and claimed that former Telangana Chief Minister K. Chandrashekhara Rao subsequently introduced official observances of her birth and death anniversaries. Current reporting also confirms that BRS leaders marked Iamma’s birth anniversary across Telangana on Saturday.

Harish Rao said Gajwel had a special place in the commemoration, recalling that the previous BRS government had sanctioned Rs 1 crore for a Chakali Iamma Bhavan in the town. He also praised the location of the newly unveiled statue near Pandavula Cheruvu and congratulated the organisers and local representatives involved in the project. The former minister used the occasion to criticise the present Telangana government over civic infrastructure and development works in Gajwel. He alleged that roads developed during the previous government were not being adequately maintained and questioned why a

100-bed mother-and-child hospital constructed during the BRS tenure had not yet become operational. These were political claims made by Harish Rao and were not independently established at the event.

Referring to water availability, Harish Rao said the filling of reservoirs associated with the Kaleshwaram project had helped improve water availability in the region. He recalled that Pandavula Cheruvu had earlier faced water shortages during Bathukamma celebrations and said its present water levels were a visible change. Telangana Today separately reported that Kaleshwaram motors resumed pumping Godavari water into the Annapurna and Ranganayaka Sagar reservoirs on Saturday.

Harish Rao said the development of Gajwel included railway connectivity, drinking-water projects and healthcare infrastructure, while acknowledging that further work remained. Calling Chakali Iamma an inspiration, he urged people to speak up against injustice and protect the rights of farmers, workers and disadvantaged communities. He said commemorating her should go beyond installing statues and should include drawing lessons from her courage and public service.

Own Building for Every Gram Panchayat: Seethakka

Rs 1,000 Crore Sanctioned for 5,118 Gram Panchayat Buildings

Ranga Reddy, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Minister Dr. Danasari Anasuya (Seethakka) said the State government is taking up construction of Gram Panchayat buildings in saturation mode to ensure that every Gram Panchayat has its own building. She said the initiative is being implemented in accordance with the directions of



Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy. Seethakka made the remarks during a regional review meeting at the Ranga Reddy District Collectorate on Saturday. The meeting reviewed development programmes being implemented by the Panchayat Raj, Rural Development and Rural Water Supply departments across the erstwhile districts of Nalgonda, Mahabubnagar, Ranga Reddy and Medak.

The Minister said 5,118 Gram Panchayats in Telangana currently do not have their own buildings and that the government has sanctioned Rs 1,000 crore for their construction. Work on 3,269 buildings is already around 70 per cent complete, she said, directing officials to take steps to complete all pending buildings within the current year.

Rsv 800 Crore for Women’s Group Buildings

Seethakka said buildings for women’s groups are being constructed in 8,000 villages across the State at an estimated cost of Rs 800 crore. She said the construction programme has reached its final stage in several locations and that dedicated buildings would help women’s groups conduct their ac-

tivities more effectively.

AM Road Works Under Review

The Minister reviewed rural road construction being undertaken under the Hybrid Annuity Model (HAM) and directed officials and contractors to complete the works within the stipulated deadlines. According to the government, 3,861 km of roads are being constructed across the four erstwhile districts at an estimated cost of ₹3,382 crore. She said around half of the first-phase HAM road works being taken up across Telangana are located in these four districts. Officials were directed to make maximum use of the October-to-June construction period while maintaining quality standards.

Measures to Prevent Summer Water Shortage

Seethakka instructed officials to take advance measures to prevent drinking water shortages during the coming summer, particularly amid concerns over rainfall deficiency. She said drinking water is being supplied through 19 reservoirs across the four districts and that Singur requires special attention because of lower-than-expected water levels. She directed officials to expedite the transfer of water from Nizamsagar to Singur and appoint a special officer to monitor the supply. Three-member drinking water management committees will be constituted for every mandal to identify alternative sources in advance, with special attention to tribal areas and Chenchu hamlets.

Employment Guarantee and Water Conservation

The Minister directed officials to ensure employment guarantee works for all eligible families and make effective use of the ₹6,000 crore budget available under the Employment Guarantee Scheme. Water conservation and village infrastructure works under the Jalasiri programme were also ordered to be accelerated. Seethakka stressed that development works must be completed on time without compromising quality. She warned that negligence in implementation would invite strict action. Special Chief Secretary Dana Kishore, Panchayat Raj Commissioner Divya Devarajan, Special Commissioner Srilakshmi, Additional Commissioner Ravinder, senior district officials, engineering officers, monitoring officials and road contractors attended the review meeting.

Vinod Kumar Raises Questions Over Election Commission’s Functioning

FORMER MP CITES REPORTED OBJECTIONS WITHIN POLL PANEL

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Former MP and BRS leader B. Vinod Kumar on Saturday raised questions over the functioning of the Election Commission of India (ECI), citing a recent report about objections reportedly recorded by two Election Commissioners regarding electoral-roll decisions. Addressing a press conference at Telangana Bhavan, Vinod Kumar referred to an investigation by The Indian Express, which reported that Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi had formally raised objections at least 14 times over a 10-month period concerning decisions related to voter registration, deletion and restoration of names, changes to Form 6 and the management of electoral-roll data.

Vinod Kumar said the Election Commission is a constitutional body whose responsibility is to administer elections and safeguard the electoral process. He argued that concerns surrounding voter registration and deletion should be addressed transparently so that citizens retain confidence in the electoral system. The BRS leader alleged that voters had been unfairly removed from electoral rolls and claimed that the issue had political implications in recent elections. These allegations were not independently established in the material cited by him.

The Election Commission, however, has re-



jected the suggestion of a split in decision-making, with officials stating that decisions, including those relating to the Special Intensive Revision (SIR), were approved unanimously by all three Commissioners. Vinod Kumar also criticised the 2023 law governing the appointment of the Chief Election Commissioner and other Election Commissioners.

Under that law, the selection committee consists of the Prime Minister, a Union Cabinet Minister nominated by the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition, replacing the Chief Justice of India who was part of the earlier arrangement. The Supreme Court on September 23 referred challenges to the law to a five-judge Constitution Bench. He demanded that CEC Gyanesh Kumar step down and said the Supreme Court should examine the reported concerns if necessary. He also questioned the functioning of electoral-roll revision in Telangana and raised concerns about the adequacy of Booth Level Officers. Vinod Kumar further criticised Congress leader Rahul Gandhi over the anti-defection issue in Telangana and referred to the political controversy surrounding defections from the BRS to Congress. These remarks were part of his political criticism of the Congress leadership.

The BRS leader said his party would continue raising concerns over voter registration, electoral-roll revisions and the independence of the Election Commission. BRS General Secretary Soma Bharat Kumar and Legal Cell representative Lalitha Reddy participated in the press conference.

Jagadish Reddy Opposes Alleged Power-Sector Privatisation, Questions Yadadri Coal Issue

FORMER MINISTER SAYS BRS WILL RESIST ANY MOVE TO PRIVATISE POWER UTILITIES

QUESTIONS GOVERNMENT CLAIMS ON G9 COAL AVAILABILITY AND YADADRI GENERATION

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Former Telangana Minister and BRS MLA G. Jagadish Reddy on Saturday criticised the Congress government over the State’s power-sector policies, alleging that proposed or reported moves towards private participation could affect public utilities and existing welfare-oriented electricity schemes.

Addressing a press conference at Telangana Bhavan, Jagadish Reddy said the previous BRS government had expanded Telangana’s power infrastructure and claimed that the State had achieved 24-hour electricity supply across sectors during K. Chandrashekar Rao’s tenure. He cited investments in Transco, expansion of transmission infrastructure and the laying of thousands of kilometres of power

availability for the Yadadri plant. The Telangana government has recently said Yadadri requires G9-grade coal and that Singareni is currently unable to supply the required quantity, prompting plans to procure coal from Mahanadi Coalfields and Coal India. Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy has directed officials to restore full-capacity generation at Yadadri before Dasara.

Jagadish Reddy disputed the government’s account of coal availability and claimed that G9-grade coal is being produced in Singareni mines. He also alleged discrepancies involving around 40 lakh tonnes of coal and accused the government of diverting high-quality coal to neighbouring States. These claims were made by the BRS and have not been independently established. Recent reporting confirms that the party has raised questions over coal stocks and production and sought an investigation.

The former minister questioned why Yadadri was constructed away from coalfields



lines as examples of the previous government’s work.

Jagadish Reddy alleged that the present government was seeking to privatise parts of the power sector and questioned the rationale behind transferring public assets to private entities. He claimed that such a move could affect electricity subsidies and free power supplied to farmers and other sections. Reports have separately indicated that power employees’ unions have protested against privatisation of certain coal and ash-handling operations at the Yadadri Thermal Power Station. He also questioned the government’s position on coal

and defended the project’s location, saying it was intended to serve industrial requirements in the region, including cement industries that use fly ash. He also questioned the closure of some thermal units despite the availability of Singareni coal.

Jagadish Reddy said BRS would oppose what it described as anti-public moves in the power sector and warned that any changes affecting electricity subsidies should be examined carefully. He demanded immediate steps to increase generation and questioned why full-scale production at Yadadri should wait until Dasara when the State is facing additional electricity demand.



Government Aims to Make Telangana Free of Thatched-Roof Huts: Ponguleti

in Jangaon, where sanction letters for Indiramma houses were distributed to beneficiaries.

The Minister said the welfare of poor families remains a priority despite the state's financial constraints. He said the government was implementing election promises and cited initiatives including free electricity up to 200 units, new white ration cards, fine-quality rice and enhanced hostel diet and cosmetic charges. He also said integrated residential educational institutions were being developed in every constituency at an estimated cost of Rs 200 crore.



from Rs 2 lakh to ?3 lakh would also be provided to complete unfinished Indiramma houses, including structures stopped at the wall or slab stage. Ponguleti said eligible families would also be covered in the third and fourth phases. He added that previously acquired government housing plots would be identified and distributed to eligible poor families for construction of houses.

The Minister also announced Rs 2 crore for making incomplete double-bedroom houses in Jangaon habitable and said they would be handed over to eligible beneficiaries by Dasara. He announced Rs 25 crore as an initial allocation for infrastructure development in Jangaon Municipality and directed officials to expedite other sanctioned works. Bhongir MP Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy highlighted welfare initiatives implemented by the government, while Jangaon MLA Palla Rajeshwar Reddy sought additional housing for destitute families, road widening, bridge construction and repairs to the Gandiramaram pumps. Following the programme, sanction letters for Indiramma houses were handed over to 500 eligible beneficiaries. District Collector Sandeep Kumar Jha, DCP Raja Mahendra Naik, Municipal Chairperson Kadakanchi Balamani, officials and local representatives participated.

CBIT Hosts Guest Lecture on Chemical Engineering Safety and Sustainability

Students Learn About Energy Auditing, Net Zero and Career Opportunities

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026
(The Journalist Post): The Department of Chemical Engineering at Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology (CBIT), in association with the Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers (IChE), Hyderabad Regional Centre, organised a guest lecture



on Chemical Engineering Industrial Safety and Sustainability – Way Forward” at the college Assembly Hall on September 21.

Dr. Sathish Suri, Managing Director of GreenPath Energy & Sustainability Services, Hyderabad, was the resource person. An energy and sustainability professional with 23 years of experience and a Chartered Engineer, Dr. Suri interacted with students on the importance of industrial safety, sustainable practices and emerging professional opportunities in the chemical engineering sector. During the session, Dr. Suri explained safety processes and methodologies relevant to chemical engineering industries and discussed the skills and professional capabilities

ties expected from young chemical engineers. He also highlighted the growing responsibilities of chemical engineering professionals in areas such as energy auditing, sustainability management and Net Zero targets.

The expert outlined career opportunities available to chemical engineering graduates in the energy and sustainability sectors, helping students understand how technical knowledge in safety and sustainability can contribute to long-term professional growth. The session also provided insights into how safety and

sustainability are increasingly becoming integral to day-to-day operations across the chemical industry.

The programme was held under the leadership of Dr. M. Mukunda Vani, Professor and Head of the Department of Chemical Engineering, and coordinated by Dr. Snigdha Saha, Assistant Professor. Faculty members from the Department of Chemical Engineering participated in the programme. The interaction provided students with a practical perspective on industrial expectations and the evolving role of chemical engineers. The department stated that it plans to continue industry-oriented interactions and expert sessions during the academic year to strengthen students' exposure to professional practices and emerging career opportunities.

Mudirajs Must Unite to Secure Community Rights: Vakiti Srihari

Government Considering Reclassification from BC-D to BC-A, Says Srihari

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Minister for Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development, Fisheries and Youth Services & Sports Vakiti Srihari called upon members of the Mudiraj commu-



nity to work together to advance their social, educational and constitutional rights. He said he would continue to raise issues concerning the community, including reservation status and social development, with the state government.

Srihari said the Mudiraj community has significant numerical strength and pointed to its representation in local bodies through Sarpanches, MPTCs, MPPs, ZPTCs and councillors. He said the community should seek greater representation in social and political institutions through democratic processes. Referring to Telangana's recently released caste-census data, the Minister said the Mudiraj population was estimated at around 26.36 lakh, or 7.43 percent of the state's population. He said such data should be used while

formulating policies concerning education, employment, political representation and welfare. The figures and their implications remain subject to the official census methodology and government records. Srihari also said the government was considering initiating the process of reclassifying the Mudiraj community from the BC-D category to BC-A. Any such change would require the applicable governmental and legal processes to be completed before it takes effect.



The Minister invoked the legacy of Panduga Sayanna, describing him as an inspiration for the community's efforts for social advancement. He said Chief Minister Revanth Reddy had responded positively to proposals concerning official recognition of Panduga Sayanna's birth and death anniversaries. Education, Srihari said, should remain a major priority for Mudiraj families. He encouraged parents to support their children in pursuing higher education and urged young people to seek opportunities in professional careers, entrepreneurship, civil services and technology. He also called for unity while stressing that community identity should not become a barrier to cooperation with other sections of society. According to Srihari, stronger collective participation and representation would help the community place its concerns before governments and institutions. The Minister assured Mudiraj representatives that he would continue to raise their concerns and work toward addressing issues relating to reservations, education, employment and social development.

Degree Lecturer Candidates Seek Review of GO Ms. No. 4

SEEK APPROPRIATE DECISION
FROM TECHNICAL EDUCATION
COMMISSIONER

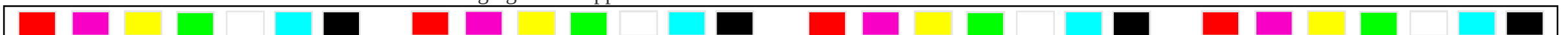
Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post): Candidates aspiring for Degree Lecturer posts have submitted a representation to Telangana Commissioner of Technical Education A. Sridevasena, urging the



authorities to take an appropriate decision on G.O. Ms. No. 4, which they say has become a hurdle for candidates who have qualified in the State Eligibility Test (SET) and National Eligibility Test (NET). The candidates, represented by Sama Ram Mohan, appealed to the Commissioner to examine their concerns and take steps to address the difficulties faced by SET- and NET-qualified aspirants in the Degree Lecturer recruitment process. The Commissioner of Technical Education is part of Telangana's Higher Education administrative structure.

The representation comes amid continu-

ing concerns among aspiring Degree Lecturers over the recruitment framework and the weightage provisions associated with G.O. Ms. No. 4. In March this year, students and research scholars at the University of Hyderabad had also protested against the order, arguing that the 25-mark weightage provided to PhD candidates could place NET- and SET-qualified candidates at a disadvantage. The candidates said they had invested considerable time and effort in qualifying the prescribed eligibility examinations and requested that their concerns be considered while decisions are taken on Degree Lecturer recruitment. They sought an appropriate administrative decision that would provide clarity to eligible aspirants. The issue is part of wider discussions over qualifications and recruitment conditions for Degree Lecturers in Telangana. Recent reports have also highlighted concerns among government degree lecturers regarding NET/SLET requirements, recruitment rules and career progression. The candidates expressed hope that the Commissioner would examine the representation and take a decision after considering the applicable rules and the concerns of SET and NET-qualified aspirants.



Kavitha Announces Political Fight Over Education and Healthcare

were affecting patients, students and government employees.

Kavitha referred to the recent tragedy at Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS), Adilabad, where five infants died following a fire in the Special Newborn Care Unit.

Initial reports linked the blaze to a suspected electrical short circuit involving an air-conditioning unit. The state government has constituted an inquiry committee to examine the incident, including possible technical and safety lapses. She alleged that government hospitals across Telangana were facing infrastructure and staffing problems and questioned expenditure on healthcare. According to the 2026-27 Telangana Budget analysis by PRS Legislative Research, the state allocated Rs 13,997 crore for Health and Family Welfare, accounting for about 5 percent of total expenditure. Kavitha questioned whether the allocated funds were being fully utilised and raised concerns over services at major government hospitals, including NIMS and Niloufer Hospital.

On education, she alleged that several government schools lacked adequate sanitation and other basic facilities, particularly for girls. She called on party workers to inspect schools, identify deficiencies and work with communi-

ties to address infrastructure gaps. Kavitha also raised questions about pension and healthcare schemes, private hospitals receiving government-allotted land, and the implementation of free-service provisions for eligible patients. She demanded greater transparency in the functioning of investigation teams dealing with various cases and disputed allegations concerning her own properties, asserting that her assets were legally acquired and properly declared.

Turning to electoral politics, Kavitha announced that the Telangana Rakshana Sena would contest the upcoming Khairatabad Assembly by-election. Multiple reports confirmed her announcement on September 26. She also raised concerns over the ongoing revision of electoral rolls and alleged that voters could face difficulties because of clerical discrepancies. Kavitha further demanded action concerning the Nerella incident and said her organisation would continue its campaign on education and healthcare issues. Her remarks represent the political position of the Telangana Rakshana Sena; the allegations concerning government functioning and specific cases remain matters of political dispute or official inquiry.



Chiranjeevi's Kaaka Enters Dubbing and Post-Production

CHIRANJEEVI'S CHARACTER KADIRI KALIDAS ADDS INTER- EST TO THE FILM

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post Cinema Desk): Megastar

Chiranjeevi's upcoming Telugu action entertainer *Kaaka*, directed by Bobby Kolli, has entered the dubbing phase as the makers accelerate post-production work ahead of its Sankranti 2027 theatrical release. According to industry sources, the cast began dubbing following a traditional pooja ceremony, while other post-production activities are progressing simultaneously.

The film is being produced by Venkat K. Narayana under the KVN Productions banner. The makers have officially locked January 13, 2027 for the worldwide theatrical release, putting the film firmly in the Sankranti 2027 release calendar. The production team recently reaffirmed the date amid speculation about a possible change in schedule. “Chiranjeevi and Bobby Kolli are collaborating for the second time after Waltair Veerayya. Chiranjeevi has revealed that he plays a character named Kadiri Kalidas in the film. The recently released title glimpse intro-

duced another identity, Satyam, who is shown working as a supervisor at Ammaji Aqua Industries in Ravulapalem, adding an element of mystery to the protagonist.

The title glimpse also features an unusual sequence involving a shrimp-filled water tank. When a key accidentally falls into the tank, Chiranjeevi's character uses a large electromagnet to retrieve it, along with several weapons hidden underwater. A keychain carrying the words "I love dad" provides an emotional clue within the action-oriented glimpse. Anaswara Rajan and Nivetha Pethuraj play important roles in the film, while music is being composed by S. Thaman. The makers are reportedly working on a blend of action, emotion and family-oriented elements. Reports

from the production unit have also indicated that a major action sequence forms the interval block, although those production details remain based on industry sources. With dubbing now underway and shooting and post-production progressing alongside each other, Kaaka is moving into a crucial phase as the team works towards its January 13 release.



Ramchander Rao Hits Back at Revanth Reddy Over 'Gandhi Parivar' Remark

people to support the Gandhi family. He also said that his political ambition was to see Rahul Gandhi become Prime Minister.

that the political debate should focus on the interests and welfare of citizens rather than on political families. He said the BJP's stated em-

Responding to the statement, Rao said Congress politics was centred around the Gandhi family, while he maintained that the BJP and the wider Sangh Parivar placed national interest above individual or family interests. He said the organisation had been built through the contributions of generations of workers involved in social service and organisational activities.

Rao also questioned the Congress party's historical record, referring to the Emergency imposed in 1975 and the violence against Sikhs in Delhi and other parts of India in 1984. These references were made by Rao as part of his political criticism of the Congress and its record in government.

The BJP state president further rejected the comparison drawn by Revanth Reddy between the two political groupings. He argued



phasis was on national interest and public service.

Rao also criticised what he described as the Congress leadership's focus on the Gandhi family and said Telangana voters were concerned with governance and public welfare. His remarks form part of an ongoing political exchange between the BJP and Congress following Revanth Reddy's comments in Kerala.

Nani's The Paradise Continues Its Theatrical Run

Hyderabad, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post Cinema Desk): Nani and di-

actor Srikanth Odela's *The Paradise* continues its theatrical run after releasing worldwide on September 24. The action drama has recorded a reported worldwide gross of Rs 98.50 crore in its first two days, according to figures reported by entertainment publications citing Sacnilk data. The film earned Rs 72.50 crore in India gross and ?26 crore from overseas markets during the period.

The film had a strong opening, with reported India net collections of Rs 34.65 crore on its first day and Rs 14.90 crore on the second day. However, the second-day figures represented a substantial decline from the opening day, making the weekend performance important for the film's theatrical run.

On Saturday, the third day of its theatrical run, *The Paradise* continued to draw audiences across multiple languages. Early tracking showed the Telugu version leading Saturday's business, although the day's final figures were still being updated at the time of reporting. The film has also generated discus-

sion over its storytelling and execution. While Nani's performance, the scale of the production and the visual treatment have received appreciation in some audience reactions, other viewers and reviewers have raised concerns about the screenplay, narration and emotional portions.

Nani recently responded to the mixed reactions, saying that he had gone through the feedback and acknowledged shortcomings pointed out by critics and reviewers. He said he had learned from the flaws identified in the film while also appreciating the support and criticism from audiences.

Directed by Srikanth Odela, *The Paradise* marks his second collaboration with Nani after *Dasara*. The film features Raghav Juyal, Kayadu Lohar, Sonali Kulkarni and Mohan Babu among the principal cast. Set in 1980s Secunderabad, the period action drama explores the struggles of a marginalised community and themes of identity, dignity and recognition. With the first weekend still underway, the film's Saturday and Sunday collections are being closely watched as it continues its theatrical journey.



India Women Clinch Asian Games Kabaddi Gold

INDIA DEFEAT IRAN 37-34 IN THRILLING FINAL

Nagoya, September 26, 2026 (The Journalist Post Sports Desk): India's women's kabaddi team defeated Iran 37-34 in a closely contested final at the Aichi-Nagoya Asian Games on Saturday to retain the Asian Games women's kabaddi title. The Indian team completed an unbeaten campaign and secured its fourth women's kabaddi gold medal in Asian Games history. India started strongly and went into the half-time break with a 22-16 lead. Iran fought back after the interval and reduced the deficit to just one point at 27-26 with around eight

minutes remaining. The Indian players maintained their composure during the closing stages and held on to secure a three-point victory.

The victory marked India's fourth women's kabaddi gold at the Asian Games. India had previously won the title in 2010, 2014 and 2022, while Iran claimed the gold in 2018. The Indian women had also defeated Iran during the group stage of the 2026 competition before meeting them again in the final. India's campaign included wins over Bangladesh, Iran and Japan in the group stage, followed by a semi-final victory over Nepal. The team remained unbeaten throughout the tourna-



ment, successfully defending the title won at the 2022 Hangzhou Asian Games.

The gold was India's third gold medal of the ongoing 2026 Asian Games at the time of the women's kabaddi final, following the women's T20 cricket team's gold and the mixed-team 10m air-



pistol gold won by Suruchi Singh Phogat and Kamaljeet. The result also extended India's strong record in Asian Games kabaddi. The men's team was scheduled to face Iran later on September 26, creating an opportunity for India to complete a kabaddi gold-medal double at the Games.

