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Union Minister Accuses Congress of Questioning Institutions After Electoral Defeats

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Union Minister for Coal and Mines G. Kishan Reddy on Sunday criticised the Congress over its allegations concerning Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs), the Election Commission of India (ECI) and the ongoing revision of electoral rolls. Addressing the media at the BJP state office in Nampally, Hyderabad, he said the BJP does not "steal votes" but seeks public support through elections. His remarks were reported following a media conference at the state BJP office. "Kishan Reddy alleged that Congress questions EVMs and the Election Commission when it loses elections

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78th Delhi Visit Since Assuming Office as Chief Minister

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy is scheduled to leave for New Delhi on Monday for a two-day visit during which he will participate in a media organisation's event, meet senior Congress leaders and attend the Congress Working Committee (CWC) meeting scheduled for Tuesday. According to reports, the Chief Minister is expected to return to Hyderabad after the Delhi engagements, with the timing depending on the conclusion of

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India Ready to Welcome Rahul Gandhi as PM: Uttam Kumar Reddy

Neredcharla, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Senior Congress leader and Telangana Minister for Irrigation and Civil Supplies N. Uttam Kumar Reddy



said the country was ready to welcome Rahul Gandhi as Prime Minister, while calling for greater public attention to the functioning of democratic institutions and the electoral process. He

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Crops Withering in Palamuru, KTR Demands Immediate Relief



SEEKS CROP LOSS SURVEY, COMPENSATION AND ADEQUATE IRRIGATION SUPPLY

Nagarkurnool, September 27 (The Journalist Post): BRS Working President K. T. Rama Rao (KTR) on Sunday inspected dried-up cotton and maize crops at Deshitikyal village in Nagarkurnool district and interacted with farmers over irrigation and power-related problems. He demanded an immediate crop-loss survey across the erstwhile Mahabubnagar district and compensation for affected farmers. His visit and demand were also reported by Telangana Today and ANI.

KTR said farmers had informed him that their crops were withering be-

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KTR Seeks White Paper on Sircilla Development Ahead of Revanth Reddy Visit



Sircilla, September 27 (The Journalist Post): BRS Working President and Sircilla MLA K. T. Rama Rao (KTR) has urged Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy to use his proposed visit to Sircilla to address local development and welfare issues and release a white paper on the constituency's progress. KTR also sought detailed records concerning the

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Government Moves to Resolve Decades-Old ULC Applications:Ponguleti



Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Revenue, Housing and Information & Public Relations Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy announced that the state government has initiated measures to resolve Urban Land Ceiling (ULC) applications that have remained pending for decades. He said clear instructions have been issued to examine eligible cases and take steps for regu-

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6.32 Lakh Adults Appear for ULLAS Literacy Assessment Across Telangana



Minister Seethakka Says Literacy Movement Will Continue Until Illiteracy Is Eradicated

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): As many as 6.32 lakh adult learners appeared for the Foundational Literacy and Numeracy As-

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Telangana Jagruthi Plans Guinness World Record Attempt with Mega Bathukamma Celebration



Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Jagruthi founder-president Kalvakuntla Kavitha has announced plans to organise a large-scale Bathukamma celebration next year with around 2.5 lakh participants, with the stated aim of attempting a Guinness World Record. She made the announcement while unveiling the Bathukamma celebrations poster and a CD featuring traditional Bathukamma songs at the

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tivity taking place right under the officials' noses? These activities—including the transport of construction ma-



questions have become a topic of discussion in Jawaharnagar's Balajinagar Colony. **Over Four Acres of Land... But the Story Is Far From Small!**

Locals state that a dispute is ongoing regarding approximately 4.30 acres of land in Survey Numbers 499 and 500, located near the Goshala in Balajinagar Colony. They state that revenue officials had previously identified this land as government property and removed the structures. Subsequently, in January 2026, the structures were reportedly demolished again, fencing was erected and warning boards were installed. The key question now is how new construction activities began in the same area, even after warnings that legal action would be taken against trespassing on government land and undertaking unauthorised construction.

Illegal Yesterday... Legal Today? How?

If official records show that illegal structures were previously demolished on a specific plot of land, how can construction resume on that same land after a short period? Who has the audacity to undertake construction on a site previously identified as government land? What evidence exists regarding the builders' rights to the land? If such evidence exists, which department has verified it? These are no longer merely the suspicions of locals; they are questions that must be resolved through official records.

Construction by Day and Night... But Where Is the Surveillance?

Locals allege that activities such as laying basements, building rooms and carrying out other construction works are currently underway in the area. They report that construction is taking place not only during the day but also at night. Locals question why there is no visible surveillance by the concerned departments, given the open nature of these

materials, movement of labourers, basement excavations and actual construction work. Did the officials who took action in the past fail to notice the current construction? If they did notice it, why did they not stop it? That is the fundamental question being raised by residents.

Rs 20–30 Lakhs for an 80-Square-Yard Plot?

Allegations have surfaced that 80-square-yard plots in this area are being sold for prices ranging from ₹20 lakh to ₹30 lakh. Locals report that common people and middle-class families, aspiring to build their own homes, are purchasing these plots. “If there are no legal rights to the land, any future government action could result in losses not only for the sellers but also for ordinary families who purchased plots using their life savings. Therefore, it is essential to officially verify whether these land sales are actually taking place and, if so, on what documentation they are based.

A 'Notary' Racket Involving Government Lands?



Locals have referred to a document purportedly bearing No. 9867/2013, which they claim states that five acres of land were sold by an ex-serviceman, Anjani Kumar, to Eshwar Goud for ₹8 lakh. However, questions have been raised regarding the signatures appearing on the document, and residents are urging the concerned Registration and Revenue departments to verify its authenticity. There are also allegations that the document lacks clear details regarding the boundaries of the land. Which specific land does this document

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pertain to? Who is the original titleholder? Is the land government-owned, assigned land or patta land? Whether the document was legally registered can only be determined by examining the official records.

The Telangana Bhu Bharati system provides official land-record services, including searches by survey number and access to ownership-related records. The government states that land records are maintained and made available through the Bhu Bharati portal.



One Plot of Land... Multiple Claimants?

Local talk suggests that the five-acre tract was subsequently distributed as follows: two acres to Dasu and one acre each to Kondal Mudiraj, Santosh Goud and Godugu Venu. There are also allegations that some of them have undertaken construction activities on the site. If this is true, answers are needed to several questions: What are the registration documents related to these transactions? How were the land rights acquired? How did successive claims arise

over the same piece of land? Is there any connection between the notarised documents and the official registration records? These questions can be answered only through examination of the original title documents, registration records, revenue records, survey maps and other relevant government documents.

An Eye on Assigned Lands Too?

Allegations are also surfacing regarding the illegal encroachment of government lands and assigned lands in the

vicinity of Jawaharnagar. If claims that government lands are being fragmented and passing into private hands are established through official records, the matter would extend beyond a single colony. The true situation will only come to light if a comprehensive survey is conducted covering the actual land area, government land records, details of assigned lands and the extent of alleged encroachments.

Locals are expressing concern that, given the high value of government lands, any confirmed illegal encroachments could result in

a significant loss of public assets.

They Demolished It... They Put Up Fencing... How Are Constructions Taking Place Again?

This is the most crucial question in the entire affair. In the past, officials reportedly demolished structures, fenced off the land and installed warning boards. So, how did the situation arise where construction has reportedly started again in the very same area? If construction resumes on a site previously identified as government land—and where action had already been taken—whose responsibility is it to stop it? Locals are troubled by questions such as: Did officials respond immediately when construction began? Were notices issued? Was action taken? Or did authorities wait until the construction was completed?

Who Is the Mastermind Behind This Racket?

Who is showing the plots? Who is preparing the documents? Who is giving assurances to the buyers? Who is facilitating the construction? Where is the audacity to build again in an area where officials had previously carried out demolitions coming from? To find answers to these questions, merely demolishing a single structure is not enough. A comprehensive examination is required—from the original land records to current sales, documents, construction ac-

tivities, individuals and intermediaries allegedly involved, and the permissions, if any, issued by the competent authorities.

Revenue Inspector Responds to 'THE JOURNALIST POST' Report

The Revenue Inspector has responded to a special re-

Government land is public property. Assigned land refers to land allocated to specific beneficiaries under government policies. When allegations arise regarding the illegal transfer or encroachment of such lands, it is essential to examine the matter through official records rather than dismissing it merely as a local dispute.

The Bhu Bharati land-record system includes facilities to search land details by survey number and provides information relating to ownership history and prohibited-property status. Locals are urging the authorities to con-



port published by Vartha Sandhya regarding allegations concerning Survey Numbers 499 and 500 in the Balajinagar area of Jawaharnagar, the demolition drives conducted in the past and the construction activities reportedly taking place now. The Revenue Inspector stated that he would personally visit the site to inspect the situation on the ground. He said the actual status would be ascertained by examining the land's current condition, ongoing construction activities, past actions taken by the Revenue Department and relevant land records. At the same time, the RI reportedly clarified that the allegations regarding the current construction of basements and rooms would also be investigated on-site. He noted that the land's classification—whether it is government land, assigned land or land subject to private ownership rights—must be determined based on official records, and that necessary action would be taken following the inspection.

Although the official machinery has now turned its attention to the matter following the RI's response, clarity is still awaited regarding how construction reportedly resumed in an area where structures had previously been demolished and fencing installed. Locals are particularly keen to see what decisions officials will make concerning the actual status of the land in Survey Numbers 499 and 500, the ongoing construction, allegations of plot sales and the validity of the notarised documents.

Who Are the Guardians of Government Lands?

duct a comprehensive survey of government and assigned lands in the Jawaharnagar area, specifically covering Survey Numbers 499 and 500, and to disclose details regarding the current status of the land, alleged encroachments, constructions, sales and the validity of the documents involved.

A Thorough Investigation Needed

Recent demolitions, ongoing basement constructions, transactions allegedly based on notarised documents, land said to be worth crores and plots reportedly being offered for Rs 20–30 lakh to common people—all these factors highlight the need for a thorough examination of the land affairs in Jawaharnagar. Who is the rightful owner? How were the documents obtained? Who is selling the plots? Who is backing these constructions? If the land belongs to the government, how did encroachments reportedly begin again after previous enforcement action? Who are the intermediaries involved? These questions cannot be conclusively answered through local allegations alone. Official survey records, title documents, registration records, revenue records, land classification, construction permissions and the findings of the Revenue Department's inspection will be crucial in establishing the facts. Until such verification is completed, allegations concerning a “land mafia,” illegal transactions or a coordinated racket should be treated as allegations. The official records and the outcome of the proposed inspection must provide the definitive answers.



Uttam Kumar Reddy Demands Answers from Election Commission Over Voter Roll Issues

Minister Says Questions Over ECI Are About Accountability and Democracy

Seeks Clarification on Form 6 Changes and Objections Raised by Election Commissioners

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Irrigation and Civil Supplies Minister Captain N. Uttam Kumar Reddy has demanded greater transparency from the Election Commission of India (ECI) over issues concerning voter registration, electoral-roll revisions and reported objections raised by two Election Commissioners. In a press statement issued in Hyderabad, he said questioning a constitutional institution should not be treated as an attack on the country. Uttam Kumar Reddy alleged that BJP leaders should ask the Election Commission to provide answers instead of defending it politically. He said the Congress, under the leadership of Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, would continue to raise issues concerning the constitutional right to vote.

The minister referred to reports that Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Vivek Joshi had recorded objections on at least 14 occasions over a 10-month period concerning various decisions of the poll panel. Reports have linked the objections to issues including changes to Form 6, access to electoral-roll databases, voter deletion appeals and IT-system oversight.

Uttam Kumar Reddy sought explanations regarding changes to Form 6, the centralisation of voter-data controls and procedures for adding and deleting names from electoral rolls. The Election Commission,

however, has said that its decisions, including the Special Intensive Revision, had the approval of all three Election Commissioners.

The minister said every eligible voter should have an accessible mechanism to challenge the deletion of a name and argued that restoring a voter's name after an election would not address the loss of the opportunity to vote in that election. The ECI currently provides mechanisms for voter registration, corrections and electoral-roll services, including Form 6 for new voter registration and Form 7 for deletion or objections. Uttam Kumar Reddy also



referred to the Medha Roopam case, stating that he was not passing judgment on its merits or alleging interference by the CEC. He said that if questions arise about an inquiry process, a transparent explanation should be provided.

The minister further said that if a credible explanation could not be provided, CEC Gyanesh Kumar should resign, and suggested that the Central Government could seek his removal if necessary. These are political demands made by the minister and do not constitute an established finding against the Election Commission or its officials. He concluded by saying that the Congress campaign was aimed at seeking transparency in the electoral system and protecting voters' rights rather than focusing on an individual election.

Woman Goes Missing in Hydernagar; Police Register Case

■ 28-Year-Old Private Employee Leaves Residence Alone

■ KPHB Police Seek Public Assistance to Trace Her

Kukatpally, September 27 (The Journalist Post): A 28-year-old private employee, Biniya Jhansi, has gone missing from her residence at Sai Krupa Residency in Mithra Hills, Hydernagar. The KPHB police have registered a missing person case following a complaint lodged by her sister.



According to police, Jhansi, a native of Srikakulam district, has reportedly been experiencing memory loss after suffering a severe head injury in a road accident two years ago. On Saturday morning, while her siblings were

away for an examination, CCTV footage reportedly showed her leaving the apartment alone at around 7:50 a.m. She had left her mobile phone and other belongings at the residence.

Police have launched efforts to trace her and are examining available CCTV footage and other information to determine her whereabouts. Jhansi is approximately 5 feet 5 inches tall and fair-complexioned. At the time she was last seen, she was reportedly wearing a black top and green trousers. She speaks Telugu and English and has surgical stitch marks on her right hand.

The KPHB police have appealed to members of the public to provide any information that could help locate Jhansi. Anyone who has seen her or has information regarding her whereabouts is requested to contact the KPHB police.

Acharya Konda Laxman Bapuji's Birth Anniversary Observed at DGP Office

Acharya Konda Laxman Babuji was observed at the DGP office in Hyderabad on Sunday. AIG (Admin) J. Anyonya paid floral tributes to Babuji's portrait during the programme. Officials recalled Konda Laxman Babuji's life-long contribution to people's movements and his efforts for social justice and the rights of marginalized sections. They said he played an important role in public movements and remained committed to the cause of Telangana throughout his life. Officials also remembered

his participation in the movement for the formation of Telangana state, noting that his commitment to public causes continued despite his advanced age. His contributions as a freedom fighter and leader of the people were recalled on the occasion.

Stores DSP Satyanarayana, other police officials and staff members of the DGP office participated in the programme and paid their respects to the veteran leader.

Bharat Nagar Colony Association Celebrates First Anniversary

Kukatpally, September 27 (The Journalist Post): The Bharat Nagar Colony Association celebrated the completion of its first year with a grand anniversary programme in Kukatpally. Telangana State Chief Whip and MLC Patnam Mahender Reddy attended the event as the chief guest and congratulated the



association members on completing their first year of service. During the programme, Patnam Mahender Reddy felicitated Association President Patlolla Nagi Reddy and other committee members, presenting them with

mementos in recognition of their efforts. He appreciated the association's activities and its role in addressing issues concerning colony residents.

The event was attended by B-Block President Thumu Venu, former Kukatpally constituency president Seri Satish Reddy, former MLA candidate B. Sanjeeva Rao, senior leader Kondal Reddy, Ashok Mudiraj, Santosh, Sridhar Chary, Vanaja, Swathi and Deepthi. Association members and a large number of local colony residents also participated in the celebrations.

The anniversary programme provided an opportunity for association members and residents to come together, review the association's first year and discuss their continued efforts for the development and welfare of Bharat Nagar Colony.

Ganesh Laddu Auction Draws Enthusiastic Bids in Hyder Nagar

Two Laddus Fetch Rs 72,000 and Rs 72,016

Kukatpally, September 27 (The Journalist Post): The traditional Ganesh laddu auction organized under the aegis of the Ambedkar Welfare Association in Hyder Nagar concluded on a festive and enthusiastic note, with devotees and local residents participating in large numbers.

The auction witnessed spirited bidding among participants. Kunta Naresh secured the first Ganesh laddu with a winning bid of Rs 72,000. The second laddu was won by Sada Manish for Rs 72,016, reflecting the strong enthusiasm surrounding the annual tradition. Members of the Ambedkar Welfare Association and residents of Hyder Nagar gathered in large numbers to witness the auction



proceedings. The event provided an opportunity for devotees to participate in the traditional celebration and contributed to the festive atmosphere in the locality. Association members expressed satisfac-

tion over the successful conduct of the auction and thanked residents and devotees for their enthusiastic participation and support.

Apple Initiates Another Round of Job Cuts

stead, the company intends to integrate them more closely with its Health app. The

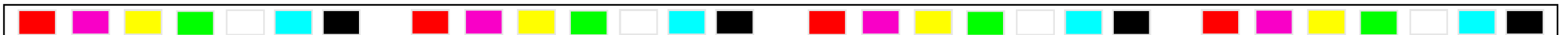
Fitness Services Division Employees Affected

Apple Plans Closer Health App Integration

California, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Apple has reportedly initiated another round of job cuts, its second in about two months. Employees working on digital fitness services for Apple Watch, including “Time to Walk” and “Time to Run,” have been affected.



latest cuts follow layoffs reported in August involving more than 200 employees across artificial intelligence, software engineering and headset-related teams.



CM Revanth Reddy Heads to Delhi Today

the meetings. The Delhi visit is being described as Revanth Reddy’s 78th visit to the national capital since assuming office as Chief Minister. During his stay, he is expected to hold discussions with senior Congress leaders on state-related issues, party affairs and political developments. Meetings between the Telangana



Chief Minister and the Congress national leadership have become a regular feature of his visits to Delhi. After reaching Delhi on Monday, Revanth Reddy is scheduled to attend an event organised by a media house. He is also expected to meet key Congress leaders during his stay. The discussions are likely to cover issues concerning Telangana, government programmes, organisational matters and developments within the state Congress.

The Chief Minister will attend the CWC meeting on Tuesday. According to reports, the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Telangana is among the issues he may raise in discussions with the Congress leadership. The issue has become a subject of political debate in Telangana, with Congress leaders raising concerns over voter deletions and the Election Commission’s revision exercise. The exact tim-

ing of Revanth Reddy’s return to Hyderabad will depend on the schedule of the Tuesday meeting and any additional engagements in Delhi. He is expected to return either on Tuesday night or Wednesday morning.

Meanwhile, preparations are underway for the Chief Minister’s scheduled visit to Rajanna-Sircilla district on September 30. District officials have been instructed to make arrangements for the programme, including security and traffic management. According to reports, Revanth Reddy is scheduled to inaugurate or lay foundation stones for development works and address a public meeting near Ragudu bypass road in Sircilla.

The Sircilla programme is also attracting political attention as the constituency is represented by BRS working president K. T. Rama Rao. The Congress has been preparing for the Chief Minister’s public meeting, while KTR has raised questions about development, farmers, weavers and other local issues ahead of the visit. With the Delhi engagements followed by the Sircilla programme, the Chief Minister is scheduled to have a busy three-day itinerary involving national party-level discussions and state-level government programmes.

Grand Celebration of Konda Laxman Babuji’s Birth Anniversary at BJP State Office

Bapuji Sacrificed Official Positions for Telangana, Says Boora Narsaiah Goud

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): The birth anniversary of freedom fighter and first-generation Telangana movement leader Acharya Konda Laxman Babuji was celebrated with great fervour at the Bharatiya Janata Party Telangana state office on Sunday. BJP OBC Morcha State President Anand Goud, BJP State General Secretary Virender Goud, State Vice President and former MP Dr. Boora Narsaiah Goud and BJP State Spokesperson Dr. Samatha participated in the programme, paid floral tributes to Babuji’s portrait and recalled his contribution to the freedom struggle, Telangana movement and social causes. Speaking on the occasion, OBC Morcha State President Anand Goud described Konda Laxman Babuji as a distinguished leader who was popularly addressed as “Bapuji” and highlighted his

contribution to the freedom struggle, the movement against the Razakars and the Telangana statehood movement. He recalled that Babuji gave up his ministerial position during the 1969 Telangana agitation and, according to Anand Goud, pledged not to accept another ministerial position until a separate Telangana state was achieved. Anand Goud said Babuji’s commitment to Telangana and social causes should continue to inspire people. He called upon party workers and the public to remember and work towards the ideals associated with the late leader.

BJP State General Secretary Virender Goud said Babuji’s life should serve as an example for future generations. He recalled Babuji’s participation in the national freedom struggle and his opposition to the Razakar atrocities in the Hyderabad State. He also highlighted Babuji’s

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cause of inadequate irrigation water and irregular power supply. He said more than 40 per cent of crops in the erstwhile Palamuru region had been damaged, while describing the losses reported by cotton and maize growers as serious. These figures and the causes cited were presented by KTR and have not been independently established in the reports reviewed.

According to KTR, farmers stopped his convoy while he was returning to Hyderabad after attending an event in Kollapur and requested him to inspect their fields. He subsequently visited Deshitikyal and spoke to farmers about the condition of their crops. KTR said cotton farmers were particularly distressed because damaged and

discoloured produce could fetch substantially lower prices. He also cited the case of a farmer who had reportedly borrowed around ₹2 lakh to cultivate maize on two acres and said farmers feared losing their investment despite recent rainfall.

The BRS leader alleged that sufficient water was available in the Krishna and Godavari systems but was not being effectively utilised for irrigation. He referred to his earlier claim that Telangana had received around 248 TMC of Krishna water this year while only a portion had been utilised. Similar concerns were raised by KTR in September 2026 during his demand for water releases from the Jurla project.



KTR also criticised the functioning of the Kalwakurthy and Palamuru-Rangareddy irrigation projects



and alleged that farmers were facing difficulties because of interruptions in electricity supply. Reports earlier this month have separately documented farmer concerns in Telangana over power disruptions affecting borewell irrigation and crops. He recalled the irrigation expansion undertaken during the previous BRS gov-

ernment and said projects including Jurla, Kalwakurthy, Nettekpadu, Koilsagar and Palamuru-Rangareddy had increased irrigation coverage in the erstwhile Mahabubnagar region. He also alleged that the region was now facing water stress despite its proximity to the Krishna River.

KTR demanded that the State government conduct a comprehensive survey of every affected acre, assess the extent of crop damage and announce appropriate compensation. He also sought a special relief package for farmers who had incurred debts or pledged assets to finance cultivation.

The BRS leader said he would continue to raise farmers’ concerns along with party legislators and urged the government to take immediate measures on irrigation, electricity and crop-loss compensation. The Telangana government has separately sought additional water from Karnataka amid concerns over water availability in the Jurla system, according to recent reports.

Konda Laxman Babuji’s 111th Birth Anniversary Celebrated at Ravindra Bharati

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): The 111th birth anniversary of Acharya Konda Laxman Babuji was celebrated at Ravindra Bharati in Hyderabad on Sunday under the aegis of the Telangana government and the leadership of Guduru Srinivas, Chairman of the Konda Laxman Babuji Birth Anniversary Celebrations Committee and Telangana Padmashali Cooperative Corporation. Ministers Ponnam Prabhakar and Vivek Venkataswamy attended the programme as chief guests. The event at Ravindra Bharati was also listed on the venue’s official programme schedule. Government Advisor V. Hanumantha Rao, Rajya Sabha Member Anil Kumar Yadav, Handloom Corporation Chairman Dudem Venkataramana, Handloom Vice-

Chairperson Jakkani Anita, corporation representatives Eeravarthi Anil Kumar and Mettu Sai Kumar, BC Association leader Jajula Srinivas Goud, former MLC Cherupalli Sitaramulu, Vaddera Corporation Chairperson Gunja Renuka Narayana and other public representatives and leaders participated in the celebrations.

Paying tributes to Babuji, Minister Ponnam Prabhakar described him as a visionary who devoted his life to the Telangana statehood movement and placed the aspirations of the people above political positions. Prabhakar also recalled Babuji’s work against social inequalities and exploitative practices, including bonded labour, and his contribution to the

welfare of weaker sections and handloom workers.

Prabhakar said the ideals and fighting spirit of Konda Laxman Babuji had inspired leaders during the Telangana



movement. He called upon the community to work for the development and welfare of handloom workers and weavers and said traditional occupations should evolve in line with changing circumstances. Speaking on political representation, Prabhakar

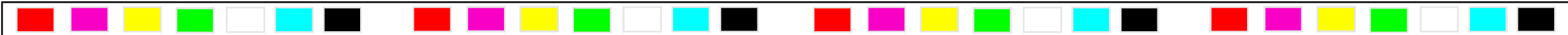
sources to the Telangana movement. He referred to Babuji’s residence, “Jaladrushyam,” as an important location associated with the second phase of the Telangana movement and said the place became a centre for discussions and activities related to statehood.

Boora Narsaiah Goud also recalled Babuji’s participation in protests even in his later years. He referred to a protest fast undertaken by Babuji in Delhi at the age of 96 in support of the demand for a separate Telangana state. On the occasion, Boora Narsaiah Goud criticised what he described as the betrayal of Telangana movement ideals by some individuals. He said that while several people allegedly obtained positions and accumulated assets in the name of the movement, Babuji remained committed to sacrificing positions and personal wealth for the Telangana cause. He expressed regret that

called for unity among weaker sections and greater representation for the Padmashali community. He also referred to the Telangana government’s caste census and its legislation concerning 42 per cent reservation for Backward Classes (BCs). He alleged that the process had faced opposition at the Centre and demanded a comprehensive nationwide caste census covering BC communities. These remarks represent the minister’s political position.

The celebrations highlighted Babuji’s long association with the Telangana movement, social justice and the interests of weaker sections and handloom communities. His 111th birth anniversary was also marked by tributes at several locations across Telangana.

Babuji died before witnessing the formation of Telangana as a separate state. He said the BJP, if voted to power in Telangana, would work to strengthen handloom and traditional occupation societies in accordance with Babuji’s ideals and would seek to include his life story in school curricula so that future generations learn about his contributions and sacrifices. A large number of BJP OBC Morcha leaders and activists from the state and district levels participated in the birth anniversary programme and paid tributes to Konda Laxman Babuji. Konda Laxman Babuji, born on September 27, 1915, was a freedom fighter, former legislator and prominent figure in the Telangana statehood movement. His 111th birth anniversary was observed at several locations across Telangana on September 27, with leaders and public representatives recalling his role in the statehood movement and social causes.



KTR Seeks White Paper on Sircilla Development Ahead of Revanth Reddy Visit

government’s allegation that 8,000 acres of land had been taken over and that about 2,400 acres had subsequently been recovered. KTR said the government should disclose the mandal, village, survey numbers, extent and ownership details of the land parcels involved. He said that if the allegations were supported by records, the government should place the details in the public domain, while if they could not be substantiated, the Chief Minister should clarify the matter to the people of Sircilla. The land issue has become a key point of political contention ahead of Revanth Reddy’s scheduled September 30 visit to Sircilla. The BRS leader also raised a series of issues concerning the textile sector. He sought payment of what he described as Rs 60 crore in pending dues to Sircilla weavers, restoration of the 10 per cent yarn subsidy and revival of the Rs 5 lakh Nethanna Bima insurance scheme. He also demanded an exclusive yarn depot in Sircilla and sought clear timelines for operationalising the weaving park and attracting additional industries to the apparel park.

KTR said the previous BRS government had supported Sircilla’s powerloom sector through various government procurement programmes, including Bathukamma sarees, school uniforms and other textile orders. He alleged that discontinua-

tion or diversion of some of these orders had reduced employment opportunities for weavers. These are political claims made by KTR and were not independently established in the reports reviewed. He further sought answers on farmers’ issues, including pending investment-support payments, the promised Rs 15,000-per-acre assistance, the Rs 2 lakh farm-loan waiver and revival of Rythu Bima. He also demanded a timeline for providing irrigation water from the Malkapet reservoir to the Upper Manair system. Recent reports have similarly recorded KTR’s demands for clarity on farmer assistance and irrigation works in Sircilla. On infrastructure and employment, KTR sought funds for the JNTU Engineering College and other educational institutions, along with measures to strengthen industrial projects, market infrastructure, the Aqua Hub and the Food Processing Zone. He also sought timelines for pending irrigation, tank-development and check-dam works.

KTR said the Chief Minister should provide clear timelines for projects and promises concerning weavers, farmers, students, youth and other sections of Sircilla. He urged the government to make development-related records available to the public and respond to the issues raised ahead of the Chief Minister’s visit. The Telangana government’s response to KTR’s detailed demands was not included in the material reviewed for this report.

Graduates’ Meet-2026 Held in Narsingi; Voter Registration Drive Launched

Ponnam Prabhakar Launches Graduate Voter Registration Drive

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): The Graduates’ Meet-2026 was held in Narsingi under the leadership of TPCC official spokesperson Gauri Satish, with Telangana Minister Ponnam Prabhakar attending as the chief guest. The programme marked the launch of a graduate voter registration campaign covering the Hyderabad, Ranga Reddy and Mahabubnagar districts ahead of the Legislative Council election for the Hyderabad-Ranga Reddy-Mahabubnagar Graduate constituency.

Rajya Sabha member Anil Kumar Yadav, Chevella Congress in-charge Bhim Bharat, Naina Jaiswal and other Congress leaders participated in the programme. Prabhakar called on party workers to actively assist eligible graduates in registering as voters across the three districts. According to Prabhakar, the registration exercise is being coordinated under the leadership of ministers, MLAs, MLCs, MPs and district party presidents. He said he

was overseeing Hyderabad, while Duddilla Sridhar Babu was responsible for Ranga Reddy and Damodar Raja Narasimha for Mahabubnagar.

Prabhakar also referred to the ongoing electoral-roll revision and alleged that voter deletions were taking place. These remarks are his political claim; the report does not independently establish the extent or cause of any deletions. He said the Congress would con-



tinue to raise the issue while describing the party as committed to democratic and constitutional principles. He urged party workers to reach graduates in villages and assist them with voter enrolment. He also said graduates should have representation in the Legislative Council to raise issues concerning their rights and interests.

End-to-End Diaphragm Wall May Be Needed for Medigadda Barrage: Uttam

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Telangana Irrigation and Civil Supplies Minister N. Uttam Kumar Reddy said an end-to-end diaphragm wall may be required as part of the rehabilitation of the Medigadda barrage under the Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Scheme (KLIS). He said strengthening and extending the downstream stilling basins at Medigadda, Annaram and Sundilla would also be considered as part of the rehabilitation programme. His remarks were reported after he spoke to media persons at Huzurnagar on Sunday.

Uttam Kumar Reddy said the proposal under consideration was to construct a diaphragm wall across the entire width of Medigadda to provide additional foundation protection. The downstream stilling basins of all three barrages may also need strengthening and extension to improve energy dissipa-

tion and reduce the velocity of floodwaters. The Minister clarified that the final rehabilitation designs had not yet been submitted. IIT Bombay and engineering consultancy AFRY India are examining the technical test reports and preparing the repair and rehabilitation designs. Soil, concrete and foundation investigations recommended by the National Dam Safety Authority are also nearing completion, according to the Minister. Uttam Kumar Reddy said the final design report was expected within two to three weeks. The government plans to commence rehabilitation work in November or, if required, December and complete it before the 2027 monsoon. Recent reports have also indicated that the designs are to undergo technical scrutiny by the Central Water Commission before implementation.



Malreddy Abhishek Reddy Offers Special Prayers to Lord Ganesha

CONGRESS STATE LEADER VISITS GANESH PANDALS IN IBRAHIMPATNAM

Ibrahimpatnam, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Congress state leader and MRR Foundation Convener Malreddy Abhishek Reddy visited several locations in the Ibrahimpatnam constituency on Sunday evening as part of the Ganesh Navaratri celebrations and offered special prayers to Lord Ganesha. Abhishek Reddy performed special rituals at a Ganesh pandal in Gungal village of Yacharam mandal. He later visited Ganesh celebration venues at Pasumamula and Quthbullapur in the Pedda Amberpet area, where organizers and devotees welcomed him. During the visits, he offered prayers and sought blessings for the well-being, peace and prosperity of the people. The presence of the Congress leader added to the festive atmosphere at the Ganesh pandals, with local organizers and residents participating in the celebrations.

The visits were part of the ongoing Ganesh Navaratri festivities being held across the Ibrahimpatnam area. Abhishek Reddy interacted with local organizers and devotees during his vis-



its to the celebration venues. Publicly available election records identify Malreddy Ranga Reddy as an Indian National Congress candidate in the 2023 Telangana Assembly election from Ibrahimpatnam; the specific details of Abhishek Reddy’s state-level party position in the supplied report were not independently confirmed in the search results.

Breast Cancer Awareness Rally Held at People’s Plaza

MINISTER SEETHAKKA FLAGS OFF AWARENESS RALLY

WOMEN URGED TO PRIORITIZE EARLY DETECTION AND REGULAR CHECK-UPS

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): A breast cancer awareness rally was held at People’s Plaza to promote greater awareness among women about breast cancer and the importance of early detection. Minister Dr. Danasari Anasuya Seethakka flagged off the rally, which witnessed participation from a large number of women, medical personnel and representatives of voluntary organizations. Addressing the gathering, the organizers emphasized that early detection can help enable timely medical evaluation and treatment. Women were urged to undergo regular health check-ups and remain attentive to any unusual or suspicious changes in their health.

The awareness campaign also called on women not to ignore symptoms or delay seeking medical advice. Participants were encouraged to consult qualified doctors promptly if

they notice any concerns requiring medical attention. Organizers highlighted the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle along with appropriate health screenings. The rally also focused on dispelling myths and misconceptions surrounding breast cancer and encouraging women to develop greater health consciousness. The participation of women, healthcare



workers and voluntary organizations underscored the collective effort to strengthen public awareness and promote preventive healthcare. The initiative aimed to encourage women to seek timely medical guidance and make breast health a regular part of their healthcare routine.

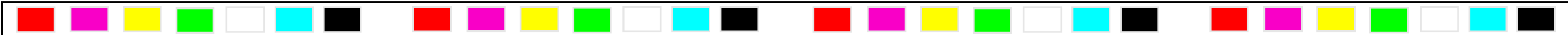
The Minister said rehabilitation of the damaged barrages was technically complex and would require detailed engineering assessment. The government, he said, was proceeding with repair and rehabilitation with the objective of restoring the structures while giving priority to safety and technical requirements.

Telangana Utilised 340 TMC of Godavari Water in 2025–26

Uttam Kumar Reddy also said Telangana utilised 340 TMC of Godavari water during 2025–26, describing it as the highest utilisation since the formation of the State. He criticised the previous BRS government over the decision to shift the original project location from Tummidihatti to Medigadda and argued that the change had affected the utilisation of water in northern Telangana.

The Minister claimed that the original Tummidihatti proposal could have enabled

Telangana to utilise around 165 TMC of water. The figure has been part of the longstanding debate over the Pranahita-Chevella project and the subsequent shift of the intake location to Medigadda. Official audit material records that the project source was shifted from Tummidihatti to Medigadda during the re-engineering of the scheme, while assessments of water availability and utilisable quantities have been debated over the years. Uttam Kumar Reddy alleged that the Medigadda, Annaram and Sundilla barrages subsequently suffered serious structural problems and said the present government was focused on rehabilitation. He maintained that the government’s immediate objective was to restore the barrages through technically assessed measures and maximise the utilisation of Telangana’s share of river waters. The Minister said the rehabilitation process would be undertaken on the basis of technical investigations and recommendations from expert institutions, with the final structural interventions to be determined after completion of the ongoing assessments.



Government Moves to Resolve Decades-Old ULC Applications

larization in accordance with the applicable rules. The minister said the previous government had issued a Government Order in 2016 with the objective of addressing pending ULC applications, but alleged that the order was not effectively implemented, resulting in thousands of applications remaining unresolved for years. He said the prolonged pendency had created difficulties for citizens concerning land rights and property transactions.



According to the latest orders, applications relating to colonies that are either partially regularized or remain unregularized will be reviewed under the Telangana Urban Land Ceiling Act. Memo No. 48062/ULC/A1/2026-1 was issued on Sunday concerning pending applications submitted under earlier Government Orders 455, 456, 747 and 92. Officials have been directed to complete the required procedures and initiate regularization of eligible cases.

Ponguleti said the government was also pursuing measures to address long-standing issues connected with Section 22A of the

Registration Act. He referred to Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy's recent assurance in the Legislative Assembly regarding a fast-track mechanism to resolve key Section 22A-related problems. The minister said a high-

level committee had been constituted to examine the issues, followed by government memos concerning G.O. 118 and G.O. 76. He said orders had also been issued permitting registration of eligible houses, plots and flats approved by GHMC, HMDA, DTCP or mu-

municipal authorities even when such properties had previously been included under the Section 22A category.

Pongueti Srinivasa Reddy said the government would continue examining remaining land-related grievances and seek solutions in accordance with the law and applicable regulations. He said the objective was to provide relief to citizens facing long-standing difficulties over land records, registrations and property transactions.

Former Corporator Kallem Navajivan Reddy Watches PM Modi's 'Mann Ki Baat'

Focus on National Development, Public Welfare and Youth Empowerment

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Former corporator Kallem Navajivan Reddy participated in a public viewing of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's monthly radio programme Mann Ki Baat and listened to the Prime Minister's address on Sunday. Mann Ki Baat is a monthly programme through which the Prime Minister addresses citizens on a range of issues and highlights initiatives and experiences from across the country.



and the country. He said such programmes provide an opportunity to discuss public initiatives and encourage participation in nation-building.

BJP District

General Secretary Bhandari Bhaskar, High Court Colony Division President Madhu Sudhan Reddy and senior leaders Govinda Chari and Damodar Reddy were among those who participated in the programme. The gathering also provided an opportunity for local BJP leaders and workers to listen to the Prime Minister's address collectively and discuss the issues highlighted during the programme.

State Government's Assurance to Fishermen: Minister Vakiti

Fish and Shrimp Seed to Be Distributed Free at 100% Subsidy

Rs 133.31 Crore Programme to
Benefit Around 5 Lakh Fishing Families

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): The Telangana State Government has announced the free distribution of fish and shrimp seed to fishermen and fishing communities across the state at a 100 per cent subsidy, with the programme scheduled to be launched on September 28, 2026. Fisheries Minister Vakiti Srinivas Goud said the initiative was aimed at strengthening fish resources, supporting fishing families and increasing their income. As

part of the programme, the government will distribute approximately 84.59 crore fish seed across Telangana at an estimated cost of Rs 133.31 crore. In addition, 10 crore shrimp seed will also be distributed to eligible beneficiaries at a 100 per cent subsidy. The initiative is expected to benefit approximately 5 lakh fishing families across the state. The government has taken up the programme with the objective of improving inland fisheries resources, expanding aquaculture activities and creating better livelihood opportunities for fishermen and allied communities.

Minister Vakiti said the distribution of fish and shrimp seed was part of the government's efforts to strengthen the fisheries sector and improve the economic conditions of fishing families. The availabil-

Lift Water from Annaram, Sundilla Immediately: Jeevan Reddy

Demands Action to Support Rabi Crops Amid Delay in Medigadda Repairs

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): BRS General Secretary T. Jeevan Reddy has demanded that the Telangana government immediately lift Godavari water from the Annaram and Sundilla barrages to address irrigation and drinking-water requirements. Speaking at a press conference at Telangana Bhavan on Sunday, he said water could be moved through the Kannepalli pump house to towards Yellampalli and subsequently used to support irrigation needs, even while repairs to the Medigadda barrage are pending. His demand was also reported by Telangana Today following the press conference.



Jeevan Reddy alleged that the Congress government had failed to undertake even minor repairs to the three barrages of the Kaleshwaram project during its nearly three years in office. He said farmers and the public were facing difficulties relating to irrigation water, drinking water and electricity, while significant quantities of river water were flowing downstream. Referring to what he described as a Central government report, the BRS leader said the State had an option to lift Pranahita River water from the Kannepalli pump house and route it through the Annaram and Sundilla barrages to Yellampalli. He said Yellampalli currently had about 20 TMC of water and argued that the available infrastructure could be used to move water towards higher-level reservoirs.

Jeevan Reddy further said the Sri Ram Sagar Project (SRSP) had around 46 TMC of water and claimed that reverse pumping could help replenish its storage and create scope for irrigation during the Rabi season. The Kaleshwaram system has historically been de-

signed as a multi-stage lift irrigation network connecting the Godavari system with reservoirs including Yellampalli and SRSP. “He said the opportunity to utilise available water should not be lost because rehabilitation of Medigadda would take time. “While Medigadda repairs will take time, water can still be lifted from Annaram and Sundilla,” he said, demanding that the government initiate the process immediately.

The BRS leader also criticised the Congress government over its promise to develop the Tummidihatti project. He said three years and three budgets had passed without visible progress and questioned the continued reference to discussions with Maharashtra. His remarks on the earlier project proposals form part of the continuing political debate over the re-engineering of the Pranahita-Chevella scheme and the development of Kaleshwaram. The Comptroller and Auditor General's 2024 performance audit records that the erstwhile Pranahita-Chevella project was re-engineered in 2016 into the Pranahita and Kaleshwaram projects.

Jeevan Reddy also criticised the State government over the time being taken to finalise repairs to Medigadda and questioned why interim measures were not being used to address farmers' immediate irrigation requirements. He alleged that Telangana was facing a drought-like situation despite the availability of water and accused the Congress government of failing to make adequate use of available resources. The BRS leader said the party would continue to press the government to utilise water from Annaram and Sundilla and sought immediate measures to support farmers during the coming Rabi season.

Konda Laxman Bapuji's Fighting Spirit and Ideals Guide Us: Kishan Reddy

RECALLS BAPUJI'S STRUGGLE FOR TELANGANA AND SOCIAL RIGHTS

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy paid floral tributes to Telangana movement stalwart and Padma Shri awardee Acharya Konda Laxman Bapuji on the occasion of his birth anniversary at the BJP state office. Kishan Reddy attended the programme as the chief guest and recalled Bapuji's contribution to the Telangana movement and his public life.

Speaking on the occasion, Kishan Reddy remembered Bapuji's sacrifices and his sustained efforts for the formation of a separate Telangana state. He also recalled Bapuji's work for social rights and the interests of disadvantaged sections, describing his life and public service as an important part of Telangana's history. Konda Laxman Bapuji's



Kishan Reddy said Bapuji's fighting spirit and ideals continue to provide inspiration and recalled the values associated with his long public career. The programme at the BJP state office was attended by party leaders, workers and others who paid their respects to the late leader.

ties across the state.

The government has described the initiative as an important measure to strengthen the livelihoods of fishermen and increase their income. The free distribution of fish and shrimp seed is also intended to encourage greater participation in fisheries and aquaculture activities. The programme is being implemented with the stated objective of boosting fish resources and improving the economic well-being of fishing families. The government has reiterated that supporting fishermen and strengthening their livelihoods remain among the priorities of its welfare and development initiatives. The September 28 launch marks the beginning of the latest round of seed distribution, with beneficiaries across Telangana expected to receive fish and shrimp seed under the 100 per cent subsidy programme.



pected to work towards achieving the target by expanding fish resources and supporting production activi-

6.32 Lakh Adults Appear for ULLAS Literacy Assessment Across Telangana

assessment Test under the ULLAS programme across Telangana on Sunday, reflecting growing participation in adult literacy initiatives. The examination was conducted as part of the state government's 'Ammaku Aksharamala' (Aksharamala for Mothers) programme, with women from rural areas accounting for a large share of the participants.

According to officials, around 5.32 lakh women from rural areas and nearly one lakh participants from urban areas appeared for the assessment. The examination was conducted across 124 Urban Local Bodies (ULBs), besides areas under GHMC, MMC and CMC jurisdictions. SERP officials said 98,324 self-help group members and 720 street vendors also participated in the examination, conducted in coordination with the Depart-

ment of Adult Education. State Panchayat Raj, Rural Development and Women & Child Welfare Minister Danasari Anasuya Seethakka



congratulated the adult learners who appeared for the examination. She said literacy was not limited to reading and writing but also helped build confidence and independence among women who had previously depended on thumb impressions.

Seethakka said many women had discontinued their education because of early marriage, family responsibili-

ties, financial difficulties and employment-related circumstances. She said the government was creating opportunities for them to resume learning regardless of their age or stage of life.

The minister said women's literacy could have a wider impact on families by helping women participate in their children's education, understand banking transactions, access health information and make better use of government welfare schemes. She described women's literacy as a social-change initiative rather than merely an education programme.

Free Learning Opportunities in Villages
Under the Ammaku Aksharamala initiative, the government is identifying women, particularly mem-

bers of self-help groups in rural areas, and providing literacy training locally. The programme is being supported through the Indira Mahila Shakti initiative implemented under SERP, allowing learners to study within their villages without having to travel long distances.

During the 2025-26 academic year, the government targeted lakhs of adult learners for literacy training. Officials said 13 lakh adult learners were trained through ULLAS centres over a 100-day period. Learning materials titled 'Akshara Vikasam' were provided to teach Telugu reading and writing, numerical recognition, addition, subtraction and other skills required for everyday life.

5.21 Lakh Candidates Passed Earlier Assessment
In March, around 6.29 lakh people appeared for an

assessment covering reading, writing and arithmetic. Results announced in June showed that approximately 5.21 lakh candidates passed and received literacy certificates from the National Institute of Open Schooling. The participation of more than 6.32 lakh

open schooling. With admissions underway for the 2026-27 academic year, Minister Seethakka urged eligible learners to make use of the Telangana Open School Society (TOSS) system. Learners can choose subjects in Telugu, English, Urdu and Hindi and can also pursue vocational courses such as tailoring, computer skills, electrician training and beautician courses. Interested candidates have been advised to approach their nearest MeeSeva or TOSS study centre or use the official TOSS application process.

Seethakka said educational empowerment was as important as economic empowerment and stressed that women should have the ability to read documents, understand government schemes and know their rights. She said the literacy campaign would continue until the state's goal of reducing and ultimately eradicating illiteracy is achieved.

India Ready to Welcome Rahul Gandhi as PM: Uttam Kumar Reddy

made the remarks while addressing a public gathering at Neredcharla in Suryapet district on Sunday. His remarks were also reported by other media outlets.

Uttam Kumar Reddy said Rahul Gandhi had, over the past several years, raised concerns about what he described as attacks on

democracy extended beyond the conduct of elections and also depended on independent institutions, meaningful parliamentary debate, freedom of expression and public confidence that eligible votes would be counted fairly. Referring to recent debates over electoral rolls, Uttam Kumar Reddy said questions concerning the electoral process should

greater clarity on whether some notices were being issued mechanically. The Supreme Court proceedings followed petitions concerning notices issued to more than 33 lakh electors during the Delhi SIR exercise. The Court sought clarification from the Election Commission on the criteria used for identifying such discrepancies and on whether voters were being adequately informed

programmes and interactions with students, workers, farmers and families. He said such engagements were important for understanding public concerns and connecting political discourse with everyday issues. Calling on Congress workers to strengthen the party at the grassroots level, Uttam Kumar Reddy urged cadres to remain united and focus on public concerns. He asked party workers to



democratic institutions and citizens' rights. He said the Congress leader had continued to speak about constitutional values, institutional independence and the need for accountability despite political opposition. Rahul Gandhi has stood firm through years of political attacks and attempts to silence him. He has continued to raise the issues that matter to the people and to defend the values on which our Republic was built," Uttam Kumar Reddy said, according to the statement.

The Minister said de-

be addressed through transparency and evidence. He referred to Rahul Gandhi's allegations concerning "Vote Chori." The BJP has rejected such allegations, while the Election Commission has defended its electoral procedures.

Uttam Kumar Reddy also referred to recent Supreme Court proceedings concerning notices issued during the Special Intensive Revision of Delhi's electoral rolls. The Court questioned the basis of notices issued under the "logical discrepancy" category and sought

about the issues they needed to address. Uttam Kumar Reddy said every eligible citizen should be able to exercise the right to vote without confusion and urged authorities to maintain public confidence in the electoral process. He said the Opposition had a constitutional role in holding governments accountable and argued that Parliament and independent institutions should function effectively.

The Minister also referred to Rahul Gandhi's public outreach

prepare for the next parliamentary elections and said Telangana Congress should seek to win every Lok Sabha seat in the State and contribute to Rahul Gandhi becoming Prime Minister. The remarks reflected the Congress leader's political position and appeal to party workers ahead of future elections. The BJP and other political parties have differing positions on the issues raised by Congress, while questions concerning electoral-roll procedures remain subject to scrutiny by the Election Commission and courts.

Are You Drinking Enough Water During the Monsoon?

Safe Drinking Water Is Essential to Prevent Monsoon-Related Illnesses

Desk, September 27 (The Journalist Post): People often increase their water intake during summer because of intense heat and frequent thirst. However, when the monsoon brings cooler temperatures, the sensation of thirst may decrease, causing many people to drink less water. Health experts point out that cooler weather does not eliminate the body's

faculty concentrating. Children, elderly people and those involved in strenuous physical activity should pay particular attention to maintaining adequate fluid intake. At the same time, monsoon conditions can increase the risk of illnesses associated with contaminated drinking water. People are therefore advised to consume safe drinking water and, where necessary, use

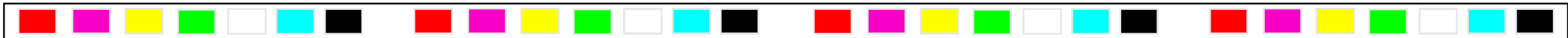


need for adequate hydration. Water forms a major part of the human body and plays an important role in essential functions, including digestion, blood circulation and regulation of body temperature. Therefore, experts advise people to drink water at regular intervals rather than waiting until they feel thirsty. During the monsoon, many people also consume more tea and coffee. However, these beverages should not be considered complete substitutes for plain drinking water. Insufficient fluid intake may contribute to symptoms such as fatigue, headaches, dry mouth and dif-

boiled and cooled water. Drinking water from unsafe or questionable sources outside the home should be avoided. Even when thirst is less noticeable during the rainy season, maintaining regular water in-



take remains important. Adequate hydration supports normal body functions and can help people stay healthy throughout the monsoon.



Telangana Jagruthi Plans Guinness World Record Attempt with Mega Bathukamma Celebration

Telangana Rakshana Sena office in Banjara Hills on Sunday. The announcement was also reported by UNI. Kavitha said Telangana Jagruthi would organise Bathukamma celebrations across all 33 districts of Telangana and in several countries this year. She said village-level Bathukamma and Kolatam committees would be formed as part of preparations for next year's proposed mega event. According to Kavitha, earlier attempts to organise Bathukamma celebrations on a scale intended to secure a Guinness World Record had not succeeded. She said the proposed event would seek to present the cultural significance and grandeur of Bathukamma on a larger platform. She also referred to previous efforts to showcase Bathukamma internationally.



Telangana Jagruthi state president Maripelli Madhavi said the organisation was preparing to bring together 2.5 lakh participants for next year's celebration and expressed confidence in the record attempt. She called upon women across Telangana to participate in the celebrations being organised this year. The organisation also released a collection of traditional Bathukamma and "Chappatla Patalu" songs. Telangana Jagruthi's official website currently lists several Bathukamma songs, including Bathukamma Bathukamma, Rama Rama Rama Uyyalo, Yememi Puvvoppune,

Okkesi Puvvesi and other traditional songs.

Kavitha said Telangana Jagruthi would expand its activities relating to Telangana's cultural development and women's empowerment. The organisation announced appointments to its state committee, district committees and international chapters as part of the expansion. Maripelli Madhavi was named State President, with Jodi Srinivas and Parsha Chandrashekar as vice presidents and Gunti Sundar as general secretary. Kannam Sharada, Dondi Swarnalatha and Mastan were named secretaries, while Manukota Sunitha was appointed Women's Wing State President. District and international chapter appointments were also announced, including office-bearers for Jagtial, Ranga Reddy, Warangal, Hanamkonda, Mahabubnagar, Suryapet, Bhupalpally, Nizamabad, Peddapalli, Karimnagar and Kamareddy, besides chapters in countries including New Zealand, Qatar, the United States, Oman, Canada, Ireland, Switzerland, Italy, Norway, Zimbabwe and Kenya.

The Guinness World Record mentioned by the organisation is a future target, not an existing achievement. Guinness World Records separately lists a 19.44-metre Bathukamma flower arrangement achieved in Hyderabad on September 29, 2025, while its records also include a 1,314-person Telangana folk-dance record associated with Bathukamma celebrations.

BJP Does Not Steal Votes, We Win People's Hearts: Kishan Reddy

while accepting the electoral process when it wins. He said the ECI's role is to administer elections and that it is not responsible for ensuring victory for any political party or in-



dividual candidate. He also criticised Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's allegations concerning the electoral process and said political parties should substantiate their claims. On the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls, Kishan Reddy defended the removal of entries relating to deceased persons, duplicate records and other potentially incorrect entries. He specifically cited figures relating to West Bengal and argued that electoral rolls should be corrected where records are found to be inaccurate. The Election Commission currently provides SIR-related voter services, including facilities to search electoral records and submit documents against notices.

Kishan Reddy also criticised Congress for questioning constitutional and security institutions, including the Election Commission

and other national institutions. He referred to the 1975 Emergency and alleged that the Congress had curtailed civil liberties and press freedom during that period. On Telangana, he criticised restrictions surrounding political demonstrations and referred to the need for court permission to hold a dharna at Indira Park. He also attacked Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy over his political statements and alleged that the state government should focus more on local issues.

The Union Minister further defended the Narendra Modi-led NDA government's record on welfare programmes, infrastructure and governance. He said people were seeking stable government and leadership, while criticising Congress-ruled states over what he described as financial difficulties. These were political assessments made by Kishan Reddy during the briefing. Responding to questions about reported differences within the Election Commission, Kishan Reddy said internal correspondence and discussions were normal in a democratic institution and referred to a clarification by the three Election Commissioners that there were no differences among them. He also thanked the Bhagyanagar Ganesh Utsav Samithi, police, municipal personnel, government departments and Hyderabad residents for their cooperation during the Ganesh immersion festivities.

Rampant **Illegal Construction** in Adibatla

PERMITS FOR G+2... CONSTRUCTIONS RISING TO G+4 AND G+6

NOTICES ISSUED, YET NO CON- CRETE ACTION TAKEN?

Adibatla, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Allegations regarding unauthorised construction activities are mounting in the Adibatla area. There is widespread criticism that builders obtain permits for a specific height but subsequently add extra floors. The fact that constructions are reportedly reaching G+4 or G+6 levels despite permits being limited to G+2 has become a major topic of discussion among locals. Building regulations mandate that construction must strictly adhere to the approved plan. If additional floors are built in violation of these permits, officials are required to take appropriate action. However, despite allegations that some builders in Adibatla are flouting regulations, critics point out that official intervention remains limited to merely issuing notices.



are being raised as to why construction work is not halted even after notices have been served. There are allegations that some builders are exploiting this situation to accelerate their construction activities. The question being raised is whether issuing notices alone is sufficient when construction is allegedly continuing in violation of approved permissions. Residents want to know what enforcement measures are available to the concerned au-

thorities and whether those measures are being applied effectively.

Will Media Reports Spur Officials into Action?

With a series of news reports regarding alleged illegal constructions in the Adibatla area coming to the attention of officials, the concerned department has reportedly been compelled to respond. Reports indicate that officials have initiated action against constructions that allegedly violate regulations. This has generated interest in how the situation will unfold, particularly when previous action was reportedly limited to notices and warnings. However, locals are questioning whether the officials' latest actions will be limited to making holes in structures or demolishing small portions, or whether they will fully remove, in accordance with applicable regulations, the additional floors and unauthorised structures allegedly built in violation of approved permissions.

Do the Rules Apply Equally to Everyone?

Government regulations require construction to follow the approved building plan and applicable permissions. If rules are applied differently to different constructions, public confidence in the enforcement system could be af-

fect. Therefore, locals are urging authorities to conduct a comprehensive review of unauthorised constructions in Adibatla and disclose the actual facts. Residents are seeking clarity on the number of buildings that have allegedly exceeded their sanctioned floors, the permissions originally granted, the notices issued by authorities and the enforcement action taken thereafter. They are also asking whether construction has been stopped wherever violations were identified and whether further action has been initiated against structures that allegedly continued to expand after notices were served.

What Will Officials Do Next?

How far will the officials' latest actions go? What are the next steps regarding structures that received notices? What decision will be taken, in accordance with regulations, regarding the additional floors allegedly built in violation of approved permits?

These questions remain unanswered.

It remains to be seen what course of action the officials will take. The coming days will reveal whether the authorities, having responded to media reports, will pursue the matter to its conclusion or merely limit themselves to issuing notices. For residents, the central issue is whether approved building permissions will be enforced uniformly and whether structures found to be in violation will face action as prescribed under the applicable rules.

Anchor Sowmya Rao Opens Up About Her Struggles and Poverty

FROM EARNING RS 400 A MONTH IN CLASS 8 TO BECOMING A TELEVISION ANCHOR

Hyderabad, September 27 (The Journalist Post): Popular television anchor and actress Sowmya Rao became emotional while recalling the hardships and financial struggles she experienced during the early stages of her life. In a recent interview, she spoke about the difficulties she faced while trying to establish herself without an established family background or industry support. Sowmya Rao recalled that she began earning money at a very

young age. While studying in Class 8, she started tutoring children and earned around Rs 400 a month. Of that amount, she said, Rs 200 was spent on house rent. Her financial difficulties continued during her college years, when she took up part-time work as an assistant and typist for a lawyer. Recalling the difficult days, she said there were occasions when she remained hungry until late at night, sometimes waiting until around 11:30 PM in the hope that neighbours might offer her food. She described those experiences as some of the most challenging periods of her



life. Sowmya said her entry into the entertainment industry was also gradual. She began as a news reader for a small television channel before becoming an anchor. She later

took up minor roles in Tamil productions and eventually progressed to lead acting roles. Her association with television programmes, including the popular comedy show Jabardasth, helped her become familiar to Telugu audiences.

She said she never wanted to take shortcuts to achieve success. Referring to people who she said acquired expensive cars and properties quickly after entering the industry, Sowmya maintained that she preferred to build her career through honesty, character and hard work. Looking back at her journey, she said she is now happy to be experiencing better times after overcoming the hardships of her earlier years.

