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Vizianagaram: September 5: Talent of students should be identified and led in right path - District Collector S. Ramsunder ReddyGrand felicitation to 90 best teachers in districtTeachers are playing key role in building society by moulding future generations, said State MSME and NRI Empowerment Departments Minister Kondapalli Srinivas. He said role of teachers is most crucial in taking students to higher positions and it

is real pride for teachers only when their students grow to higher level in life. Teachers' Day celebrations organized by Education Department on Friday at District Collectorate on occasion of Teachers' Day were held grandly. State MSME and NRI Empowerment Departments Minister Kondapalli Srinivas, District Collector S. Ramsunder Reddy, MLC Gade Srinivasulu Naidu, Vizianagaram

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Kharagpur - Amaravati Greenfield Express Corridor alignment should be changed via Chintalapudi - MLA Roshan Kumar requests Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu

MLA Roshan Kumar requested that alignment of Greenfield Express Highway connecting Kharagpur in West Bengal to Amaravati should be changed via Chintalapudi, the constituency headquarters.After meeting him at his residence in Undavalli on Saturday, he submitted representation to this effect.At present, this Highway Corridor connecting four States will extend to extent of 111 kilometres in Eluru district.If coal gas extraction works start in Chintalapudi region, another highway is required for this region for future needs of machinery and cargo transport related to it. He requested to take steps to ensure road alignment which does not have any financial burden on Government goes via Chintalapudi. Responding on this matter, Chief Minister said proposals will be sent to Centre.

AP begins municipal ward delimitation for polls in Oct

Amaravati: Andhra Pradesh has formally set in motion the delimitation of municipal corporation wards based on the 2011 Census data, heralding a key step towards the state government's plan to conduct municipal elections in October. The Directorate of Municipal Administration on Friday issued a schedule for the delimitation exercise across the state's municipal corporations, directing commissioners to complete the process within a tight timeframe. The use of 2011 Census population figures has been central to the dispute surrounding ward delimitation. Commissioners have now been instructed to calculate the average population of wards based on the 2011 Census and prepare proposals accordingly. They must also in-

dicte the actual population of each ward, record the variation from the average population, and calculate the percentage difference. The proposals must additionally include details of the Scheduled Castes' and Scheduled Tribes' population in each ward. As per the schedule, municipal corporations issued preliminary notifications on Friday. Objections and suggestions will be received from September 5 to September 11 and considered before finalising the proposals. Representations

received at the state level will also be examined before the gazette notification, which is scheduled for September 14. The Directorate has asked commissioners, including those of the Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation and other civic bodies, to submit details of the 2011 Census population along with subsequent population growth. The exercise is expected to help reorganise wards in accordance with population distribution and statutory requirements, with the objective of improving representation and facilitating the delivery of civic infrastructure and amenities in densely populated areas. The process covers major corporations, including

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From Tadepalli to the doorstep: Jagan's bid to rebuild YSRCP from grassroots

Kurnool: A clear shift in the political style of former Chief Minister and YSR Congress Party president YS Jagan Mohan Reddy has sparked fresh discussion within party circles. Following the party's setback in 2024 elections, Jagan had largely restricted his activities to Tadepalli and maintained limited contact with leaders. In recent months, however, his district tours and direct engagement with cadre suggest a deliberate attempt to close the gap with the rank and file and rebuild the organisation from the ground up. During his five-year

tenure as Chief Minister, Jagan faced persistent criticism over accessibility. Ministers, MLAs, MPs and senior leaders often found it difficult to meet him and convey field-level problems. Political observers argue that this lack of direct feedback created a disconnection between the leadership and the grassroots—a gap that became painfully visible in 2024 electoral verdict. The change is now evident. Instead of expecting leaders and workers to come to Tadepalli or party headquarters, Jagan is reaching out to them. His visit to Panchalingala Sub-

Jail to meet Alur MLA Virupakshi and reassure the MLA's family that the party would stand by them has been widely noted as a morale-boosting gesture. Similarly, his attendance at family functions—visiting the residence of former MLA SV Mohan Reddy in Kurnool to bless a couple, and earlier travelling to Hyderabad

for a programme of retired IPS officer PSR Anjaneyulu—marks a departure from his earlier, more distant approach. These personal visits, rare during his time in power, carry clear political weight. They signal an effort to rebuild organisational strength and prevent further erosion of the support base by standing with leaders in both celebrations and difficult times. Yet observers caution that the real test lies ahead: whether this outreach remains consistent and evolves into a lasting change in functioning.

Democracy or VIPcracy?

India may be the world's largest democracy, but VIP culture continues to make ordinary citizens feel like subjects. From roads and police stations to temples and politics, privilege often triumphs over equality. Leaders invoke democracy and the Constitution when convenient but forget that democracy ultimately means serving the common man, not ruling over him. India is undoubtedly the world's largest democracy, and it is also a country marked by a high degree of hypocrisy. Almost all political parties devote 90 per cent of their attention to one question: how to win the next election. The ambitions of even first-time legislators-turned-chief ministers, like Joseph Vijay, are already soaring, as party cheerleaders launch a systematic campaign to project him as the next Prime Minister. It seems no leader wants to prove his/her worth by serving his own people first. Nor does any leader seem willing to give up the VIP culture. Once elected or ensconced in a position of power, many begin treating the common man as if he were their subject, even seven decades after the end of colonial rule.

Notwithstanding genuine threat perceptions in some cases, security cover has increasingly become a status symbol. Cars carrying red-coloured boards and stickers identifying their occupants as MP, Chairman, DCCB Chairman, MLA and so on are a familiar sight. Some are even given pilot vehicles. Yet these vehicles have no special privilege comparable to a green channel. Still, they keep honking their sirens and horns, seemingly in a tearing hurry to zip through the traffic, much to the discomfort of ordinary road users. The police, too, appear caught in the VIP syndrome. Whenever a VIP vehicle is travelling on the road, they behave as if the VIP is a road king rather than a road user like everyone else. They even turn a deaf ear to the wailing siren of an ambulance, as if the Neta is more important than the life of the patient being rushed to hospital. In Mumbai, we recently saw how the police pushed a poor cyclist carrying some goods in a most brutal manner and did not even bother to help him after he fell along with his cycle. Another policeman removed a plastic road divider to facilitate the smooth passage of a big vehicle that had apparently become a status symbol. The vehicle, bearing the number 3333, passed through, followed by an escort vehicle while the poor man was gathering his goods and trying to stand up once again. The inhuman treatment was bad enough, but what followed was even more disturbing. Maharashtra minister Krishna Hegde defended the police action during a debate on national media, saying that the police force works under tremendous pressure, often for 16 hours, and that action against the policeman could adversely affect him and his family. But does working long hours give anyone the right to behave as one pleases? What about the dignity of the man on the road? The police are public servants, paid from taxpayers' money. Duty first is understandable, but not undue 'Jee Hajoori'. Why can't governments reduce their crushing workload while also expecting them to treat citizens with basic humanity? This is not merely a Maharashtra problem. This happens across the country. Police salute passing VIP vehicles but use abusive language against ordinary citizens on the road as if they were slaves.

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MLA Aditi Vijayalakshmi Gajapathiraju and Nellimarla MLA Lokam Nagamadhavi lit lamp and started programme. Later, they garlanded portraits of Telugu Talli, former President of India and eminent educationist Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and paid tributes. Speaking on this occasion, Minister Kondapalli Srinivas said every student today has special personality, different interests and special abilities and responsibility of identifying their talent and leading them in right path lies on teachers. He suggested to give priority to skill development in students not limited to only teaching subjects. He said only teachers have power to identify strengths of a student and encourage saying "You can do it.. You can achieve success". He said inspiration of teachers moulds personality of students and gives best citizens to society. He said government is giving priority to teacher recruitments to provide quality education, during present Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu's regime 1,90,000 teacher jobs were provided, recently by filling 16,500 teacher posts, steps are being taken towards providing better education to future generations. Minister said parent-teacher meetings play key role in development of students. He said especially in rural areas, these meetings are very useful in creating awareness among parents about their children's educational progress, interests, abilities and future opportunities. He called upon teachers to guide lives of students with service spirit and mould future generations as capable. District Collector S. Ramsunder Reddy speaking said role of teachers is most crucial in development of country and development of human resources. He recalled that at time of independence, literacy rate in country was very low, especially women's literacy was more backward. He said great persons like Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan laid strong foundations for development of education sector with aim that education should be accessible to everyone. He said with efforts of teachers and educated, country achieved green revolution, white revolution, information technology revolutions and showed its ability to world. He said role of Gurus in moulding society into knowledge society is memorable. He said once literacy rate in North Andhra region was low, today efforts being made by teachers to keep Vizianagaram district in forefront in education sector are commendable. He said many teachers are working with dedication by providing quality education along with better facilities to students in government schools. He said achieving about 92 percent pass percentage in tenth class this year in district is proof of collective efforts of teachers. He said government schools have proved that they are not inferior to any private educational institutions in moulding students who achieved high marks. Collector said every school is like second home for students, teachers spend most time of their life with students only. He said influence of teachers on thinking and personality development of students is much. He suggested that all students today do not have same interests and abilities, special talent in each student should be identified. He requested teachers to continuously mingle with students and inform them about career opportunities and skill development paths according to their interests and abilities. He called upon to understand needs and tastes of students according to changing times and mould them into efficient citizens. MLC Gade Srinivasulu Naidu speaking said teaching profession is not just job, it is great responsibility of building future society. He said role of Gurus is crucial in developing discipline, values and social responsibility in students. Vizianagaram MLA Aditi Vijayalakshmi Gajapathiraju speaking said teachers should stand as guides for personality development of students along with teaching lessons to students.

She requested to bring out hidden talent in every student and give right direction to their future. Nellimarla MLA Lokam Nagamadhavi speaking said today's students are future of tomorrow's country and responsibility of moulding them with value-based education lies on teachers. She said efforts being made by teachers to provide quality education in government schools are commendable. Progress in district education system District Education Officer, Amam Naidu delivering introductory speech. Minister in Vizianagaram district is continuously working with District Education Department is taking steps to improve education, better infrastructure and improve the outcomes of students in government schools. Collective efforts of teachers, district students in education, sports and cultural fields. For Teachers' Day, 90 teachers at various levels in district were honored by Minister, District Collector and presented with appreciation certificates were presented to distinguished services to education sector. He informed that three teachers selected as best teachers will receive felicitation in state-level celebrations held at Amaravati. Cultural programmes on this occasion, cultural programmes presented by teachers attracted. Songs and dance programmes on patriotism, Guru-Shishya relationship and other special attraction to present teachers congratulated talent of students.

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those of Visakhapatnam, Vijayawada, Guntur, Nellore, Kurnool, Tirupati, Kadapa, Eluru, Anantapur, Ongole, Chittoor and Machilipatnam. Ward delimitation had emerged as a major hurdle to the government's election plans, with petitions challenging the use of 2011 Census data, ward boundaries, and the manner in which local objections were handled. The legal hurdle eased on Thursday after the High Court delivered a common verdict on a batch of petitions challenging the delimitation exercise, allowing authorities to move ahead with the process. The notification issued on Friday now places the delimitation exercise on a tight schedule. With the government determined to complete municipal elections in October, the process is seen as a crucial step towards clearing the way for the polls. The State Election Commission is also making preliminary preparations. The completion of the delimitation exercise within the deadline could enable the formal election process to begin shortly thereafter.

West Bengal plans 3,000-drone show, global events for 2026 Durga Puja



Kolkata: The West Bengal government will convene a mega meeting on Monday to discuss the preparations for taking this year's Durga Puja celebrations to an international level, with a series of large-scale cultural events, drone displays and concerts planned across Kolkata during the festival, state officials said on Saturday. According to a state government official, Kolkata is set to witness an unprecedented spectacle from Mahalaya on October 10 to Ashtami on October 19. The proposed celebrations are aimed at showcasing Bengal's cultural heritage to audiences across the world and attracting international tourists to the state during the festive season. One of the major attractions will be a display involving 3,000 drones flying simultaneously over Kolkata. The drones are expected to create the image of Goddess Durga using dots of light in the sky. Details of the various events and celebrations will be finalised after the meeting, the official said. The Bengal tourism department is also preparing a special initiative to connect Bengalis living across the world with the main Durga Puja celebrations in Kolkata. The programme has been named 'Emotions of Bengalis around the world – Durga Puja Global Connect 2026'. The government hopes to use the initiative to promote West Bengal as a leading cultural tourism destination by building on the recognition of Kolkata's Durga Puja as an intangible cultural heritage by UNESCO. To implement the programme, the government has begun the process of selecting an experienced event management company. A Request for Proposal (RFP) is being issued for the project.

According to the organisers, the festival will begin on October 10 with a series of cultural programmes. The programme will include a presentation of folk arts along with folk dances from across Bengal's cultural traditions. A musical artistes is also planned. The organisers may additionally attempt to revive traditional drums as well as feature a major event by a prominent government across the state and lighting. The guide will be permitted or not be erected or a plan also includes a large stadium or bring together dha Jhumur, Kirtan, Ra mances. Bengali ha theme pandals asso be promoted as pa

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Eluru: September 5: Services of teachers who are paving ways for progress of society are memorable and commendable. Rich tributes to Bharat Ratna former President of India Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan on occasion of his birth anniversary. National Teachers' Day greetings to all teachers. Along with District Collector, Zilla Parishad Chairperson Ghanta Padmasri and Eluru MLA Badeti Radhakrishnaiah (Chanti) participated. On Saturday, in Zilla Parishad meeting hall, District Collector K. Vetriselvi, Zilla Parishad Chairperson Ghanta Padmasri and Eluru MLA Badeti Radhakrishnaiah (Chanti) garlanded statue of Bharat Ratna former President of India Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan on occasion of his birth anniversary and paid rich tributes. They lit lamp and started programme with prayer songs. At first, cultural programmes presented by students attracted guests very much. 33 best teacher award recipients were felicitated grandly by giving appreciation certificates, mementos, shawls and fruits. Speaking on this occasion, District Collector K. Vetriselvi said teachers who are moulding future of students into golden paths are equal to God and conveyed heartfelt greetings to all teachers on occasion of Guru Pooja Day. She said today is very sacred day and ideal teacher Bharat Ratna former President Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan is ideal for all teachers. She said we are celebrating today as Teachers' Day which is birthday of great man who worked as ideal teacher, Vice President and later as President and brought many reforms in education system. She said role of Gurus is immense in imparting knowledge to students and moulding them into respectable person in society. She said teachers are giving students not only education and knowledge but also invaluable things like social skills, courage, patience and tolerance needed to live in society through their hands. She said your role is crucial in extending government education schemes to students. She said every student has unique talent and role of teachers in identifying it and moulding them into educated is invaluable. She said teachers' efforts are commendable that students are eating mid-day meal well. She said there is lot of efforts of Eluru district teachers in re-enrolling drop-out children in school and achieving good results in tenth class by conducting special classes and said let us work together to achieve good results in future also with same spirit. Speaking on this occasion, Zilla Parishad Chairperson Smt. Ghanta Padmasri said role of teachers in building society is very crucial and it is very necessary to teach values along with education to students. She said services of teachers who are moulding golden future

by imparting discipline and social responsibilities are commendable. She said by recognizing services of teachers and encouraging them, they get inspiration to work with more commitment. She said among all professions in world, teacher profession alone has high respect. She requested teachers to mould students as guides and persons with good conduct. She said respect for teachers will be at same level after parents. She said in student stage, they grasp bad faster than good and observing this matter, they should be diverted towards good path. She said along with teaching lessons to students, Gurus should teach subject knowledge in such a way that they comprehend. Eluru MLA Badeti Radhakrishnaiah (Chanti) speaking said after parents who gave birth, it is only Guru who leads us in right path. He said we all should bow our heads and salute that Guru.

He said Guru is equal to God and role of Guru who lays right path for student, inculcates good culture and traditions and moulds him into best student is very amazing. He requested you also to work continuously for good future of children and behave in such a way that feeling that Guru means God arises. He said role of teachers is crucial in moulding students from existing status to heights and that is why they get good recognition. He said no matter how much modern technology comes to us, it is Guru who explains in understandable way.

Massive joinings from YSRCP to TDP

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Vizianagaram: September 5, 2026 Massive joinings from YSRCP to TDP - Should work with winning as aim - Minister Kondapalli Srinivas. Under leadership of State Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Rural Poverty Alleviation and Pravasandhra Empowerment Relations Kondapalli Srinivas, YSR Congress Party leaders of Maruvada Kothavalasa village of Bondapalli mandal joined Telugu Desam Party. At Minister Camp Office in Vizianagaram on Saturday, M. Kothavalasa MPTC Karrotu Lakshminarayanamma who won from YSR Congress Party, former Sarpanch Karrotu Janardhana Rao, YSRCP youth leaders Karrotu Madhava Rao and their followers - 60 families - were invited into party by Minister Kondapalli Srinivas by draping Telugu Desam Party scarves. Speaking on this occasion, Minister Kondapalli Srinivas said all those who joined party should work with winning as aim in upcoming local elections. He said in disciplined Telugu Desam Party, senior leaders should be respected and move forward with coordination. He said Andhra Pradesh is moving forward on path of development under coalition government under leadership of Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu and Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan and under stewardship of youth leader Nara Lokesh. He suggested those who joined party to follow party rules. On this occasion, those who joined party said they joined party being attracted by development and welfare schemes happening in coalition government. Minister Kondapalli said Telugu Desam Party will provide support to all sections. Polit Bureau member Gantyada Sridevi, Bondapalli Telugu Desam Party President Rapaka Acham Naidu, Namburi Rajesh (Bujji Raju), Korada Krishna, Eedu Billi Krishna and others participated in this programme.

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Gantyada: September 5: State Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Rural Poverty Alleviation and Pravasandhra Empowerment Relations Kondapalli Srinivas called for achieving one-sided victory in local elections. In Ramavaram village of mandal on Saturday, under leadership of former Society Presidents Pudi Satyanarayana and Shyam Kumar, 58 families and their followers joined Telugu Desam Party from YSR Congress Party under leadership of Minister Kondapalli Srinivas. Minister Kondapalli Srinivas invited them all into party by draping Telugu Desam Party scarves. Speaking on this occasion, Minister Kondapalli Srinivas said those who joined party should move forward with coordination with senior leaders. He welcomed all those who joined

Telugu Desam Party being attracted by welfare and development programmes being implemented by Telugu Desam Party. He said Telugu Desam Party will be further strengthened with YSRCP leaders and former President of Ramavaram Society Pudi Satyanarayana and his followers joining party. He said State is moving on path of development under leadership of Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu and youth leader Lokesh. He said everyone should work to make Telugu Desam Party one-sided victory in local body elections with combination of old and new leaders. He said those who joined party should follow party rules and move forward with discipline following seniors. He said Telugu Desam Party will provide support to people of all sections. Mandal Party President Kondapalli Bhaskara Naidu, Koppu Velama State Director Allu Vijay Kumar, Padmashali Sangham State Director Neelamsetty Bhaskara Rao, Pudi Chinnamnaidu and others participated in this programme.



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vices personnel during natural calamities like cyclones and floods. MLA suggested officials to take steps to provide even better services through new vehicle. District Assistant Fire Officer Ramakrishna speaking said there are 7 fire stations in district and from April 2026 till now, 135 fire accidents have been prevented and property worth Rs. 2.39 crores has been protected from fire accidents. Fire personnel Raghavulu and others participated in programme.

Teachers' Day celebrated grandly at Government Degree College



Eluru District, Kamavarapukota: September 5: Teachers' Day celebrations were held grandly at Government Model Degree College at Addamilli in mandal. College In-charge Principal Dr. M. Madhu who presided over celebrations first garlanded portrait of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and paid rich tributes. Later, In-charge Principal Dr. M. Madhu speaking lauded services of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan saying he rendered invaluable services to our country as philoso-

pher, teacher, first Vice President and second President and explained greatness of teaching profession. Later, all students together felicitated faculty grandly. In this programme, IQAC Coordinator Dr. G. Srinivasa Rao, other faculty members S. Susyalatha, Dharavathu Mallesh, M. Vijayakrishna, P. Kalpana, non-teaching staff Chandramohan, Ratna Sirilo, Kumar Raja along with students participated enthusiastically.

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Grand conduct of Gurupoojotsavam

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Guru is guide to knowledge



Bhimavaram: September 5, 2026 Path shown by Guru is way to student's future. Union Minister of State for Steel and Heavy Industries Bhupathiraju Srinivasa Varma District Collector Chadalavada Nagarani It is teachers who have great responsibility of moulding future citizens for country and society by giving knowledge through education and personality with values, said Union Minister of State for Steel and Heavy Industries Bhupathiraju Srinivasa Varma. On occasion of Teachers' Day, "Gurupoojotsavam Invitation" programme organized by West Godavari District Education Department was held grandly on Saturday at Anand Function Hall on J.P. Road, Bhimavaram. Speaking on this occasion as chief guest, Union Minister of State for Steel and Heavy Industries Bhupathiraju Srinivasa Varma said role of teachers is crucial in establishment of new society building. He said in context of technology developing rapidly in present world, there is need to provide value-based education along with modern education to students. Minister said a good teacher can change not only life of a student but a family, society and finally future of country. He said role of teachers is very crucial in developing discipline, moral values, patriotism, social responsibility and leadership qualities in students along with providing textbook knowledge. He said interest of students in which fields should be identified and they should be encouraged and trained to become experts in those fields. He requested teachers to be guides and encourage students to create interest towards technical fields and prepare them for future opportunities. He suggested that respecting Gurus is integral part of Indian culture and students should always continue respect towards Gurus. District Collector Chadalavada Nagarani speaking as distinguished guest in programme said role of teachers is most crucial in moulding lives of students. She said success of students is real success of teachers. She said teachers should not only teach subjects but also develop qualities like discipline, moral values, responsibility, patriotism and social awareness in students. She said if parents lay foundation for future of a student, it is teachers who bring out talent of that student and take them to high peaks. She said teachers will always have special respect in society. She suggested teacher should identify hidden talent in students and encourage. She requested teachers to adopt new teaching methods according to changing technology. She said Government is giving priority to development of education sector and paying special attention to aspects like creation of infrastructure in schools, digital education and enhancement of

learning abilities of students. Presiding over meeting, Bhimavaram MLA Pulaparthy Ramanjaneyulu speaking said Government's aim is to make every common child in society pursue higher education. He said teachers only build future of students. He said role of teachers in building society is invaluable. He said blessings and guidance of Gurus who taught him education are very important for every success he achieved. He advised that Gurus who taught education, parents who gave birth and society should never be forgotten. He said teachers are playing key role in developing self-confidence in students and leading them towards achieving goal. He suggested students should respect Gurus and move forward with discipline in path shown by them. MLA said in present competitive world, students need skills like technical skills, communication skills, creativity and problem-solving ability along with textbook knowledge. He requested teachers to encourage students according to their talent. State Women Cooperative Finance Corporation Commission Peetala Sujatha speaking at programme said golden opportunity to mould students into future citizens of India is teachers only. She said Gurus only place students at high level. She said beyond politics, with Government and private partnership, revolutionary changes have been brought in education sector and all infrastructure has been arranged in Government schools on par with convent education. At first, Union Minister of State for Steel and Heavy Industries Bhupathiraju Srinivasa Varma, District Collector Chadalavada Nagarani, Bhimavaram MLA Pulaparthy Ramanjaneyulu and State Women Cooperative Finance Corporation Commission Peetala Sujatha attended programme and lit lamp and garlanded statue of former President of India, eminent philosopher and educationist Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and paid rich tributes. Cultural programmes of students: Cultural programmes conducted by students belonging to various schools attracted many. Students conducted dances and song performances reflecting greatness of Gurus, importance of education, Indian culture and patriotism. Talent of students was appreciated by Union Minister, District Collector, MLA, Education Department officials and teachers. Felicitations to best teachers: On occasion of Gurupoojotsavam, 65 teachers who showed best talent at district level were grandly felicitated and appreciation certificates were presented. Teachers who rendered distinguished services in aspects like improving learning standards of students, working for school development and implementing innovative teaching methods were congratulated on this occasion.

Hilary Duff shares emotional post as children start kindergarten, son enters ninth grade



Mumbai: Hollywood star Hilary Duff is embracing a mix of emotions as her children reach major milestones. Hilary took to Instagram, where she shared a string of pictures of his children going to kindergarten while her teenage son is heading into ninth grade, leaving her feeling emotional, excited and proud all at once. “All of this is (mixed emotions emojis) you feel me,” Hilary wrote in the caption. An Avid user of social media, Hilary on Agust 19 had paid a tribute to her late friend Hayden Panettiere and recalled staying up late, chatting and gossiping. She wrote as the caption: “Sweet Hayden. Really tough hearing this news. We lost touch through the years but I will always remember you as so hardworking and effervescent, with that big, gorgeous smile.” “I remember staying up late, chatting and gossiping, and connecting because we were part of such a small sliver of people who actually understood the strange lot in life we were

navigating... so young, with no real idea how to make sense of any of it,” she added. “I so deeply wish this wasn’t the end for you. Sending a heart full of love to your family, the many people you impacted and everyone who loved you. Rest easy.” It was in 2002, when Duff stepped into the music industry, and her debut studio album, the Christmas-themed Santa Claus Lane, was released that year. She later found greater success with her second album, Metamorphosis, which topped the Billboard 200 chart and earned a 4× Platinum certification from the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA). She also enjoyed significant commercial success with her subsequent albums, Hilary Duff and Dignity, as well as the 2005 compilation Most Wanted which all went to be certified platinum or gold. Her fifth album was Breathe In. Breathe Out and her sixth album was titled Luck... or Something.

Venkatesh, Kalyan Ram shoot dance number for Anil Ravipudi’s January 12 Vidudala

Hyderabad: The unit of director Anil Ravipudi’s eagerly awaited entertainer, ‘January 12 Vidudala’, featuring actors Venkatesh and Nandamuri Kalyan Ram in the lead, has now shot a foot-tapping dance number in Mysuru. Sources



close to the unit of the film said that all four lead actors — Venkatesh, Kalyan Ram, Keerthy Suresh and Krithi Shetty were spotted at the shooting spot in Mysuru. Actor Srman, who is also part of the film, too took to his X timeline to share his delight about being in a song choreographed by Brinda master after eight years. The actor wrote, “Rocking choreography by the legendary dance master BRINDA. It’s been almost eight years since I got a chance to be a part in her choreography Thank you DIRECTOR Anil ravipudigar @AnilRavipudi.” For the unaware, the makers of the film had only recently announced the title of the film as ‘January 12 Vidudala’. Prior to that, it was being tentatively referred to as #VenkyAnil5 / #NKRAR2. Shine Screens, the production house producing the film, had taken to its social media timelines to announce the title announcement video. The title announcement video began on a nostalgic note, paying tribute to legendary filmmaker EVV

Satyanarayana with a hilarious reference to popular comedy sequence from Appula Appa Rao. EVV remains one of the biggest inspirations for Anil Ravipudi, and the filmmaker once again showcased his admiration for the veteran director in his own unique style. The tribute seamlessly led to the title reveal, setting the comic tone for what followed. The video featured Venkatesh, Kalyan Ram, Keerthy Suresh and Krithi Shetty approaching Anil Ravipudi and asking him about the title of their film. Without any hesitation, the director replies, “January 12 Vidudala.” The actors, however, are left confused and quickly clarify that they are asking for the title, not the release date. What follows is a hilarious exchange filled with confusion and witty banter, before he finally reveals that January 12 Vidudala is indeed the official title of the movie. Only a few days ago, the makers had released the first look of actor Venkatesh as Lt. Colonel Venkat Reddy in the film.

Mouni Roy celebrates Janmashtami with spiritual post, meets Gaur Gopal Das



Mumbai: Actress Mouni Roy marked Janmashtami with a spiritual and heartfelt social media post, further sharing pictures from a meeting with spiritual leader and motivational speaker Gaur Gopal Das. The actress described her conversation with him as a deeply meaningful experience that left her feeling “happier” and “more fulfilled”. In the pictures, Mouni is seen dressed in an elegant white-and-red traditional saree, with her hair tied back and adorned with flowers. She is seen posing alongside Gaur Gopal Das, who is dressed in a saffron outfit. Sharing the pictures, Mouni quoted Gaur Gopal Das, writing, “The happiest people are those helping others. Had the great fortune of conversing with Prabhu at length on the auspicious day of Janmashtami. Some conversations just stay with you... this one felt cathartic, deeply poetic in its own way, and left me happier and more fulfilled,” she wrote. Talking about Mouni’s journey in the entertainment industry, it began with television. She made her acting debut in 2006 with Ekta Kapoor’s iconic family drama Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi, where she played Krishna Tulsi. Interestingly, she recently recalled that her entry into

the showbiz world happened almost by chance. After Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi, Mouni appeared in shows including Kasturi, Pati Patni Aur Woh, Devon Ke Dev...Mahadev and Naagin. It was Naagin, particularly her portrayal of Shivanya, that turned her into one of television’s most popular actresses. Her portrayal of Goddess Parvati in Devon Ke Dev...Mahadev also earned her considerable recognition. Her participation in reality shows, including Zara Nachke Dikha and Jhalak Dikhhla Jaa, further showcased her dancing skills. Mouni eventually made the transition to Hindi cinema and she appeared in films including Gold, Romeo Akbar Walter, Made in China, London Confidential, Velle, Brahmastra: Part One – Shiva, Blackout and The Bhootnii. She has also made special appearances in projects including KGF: Chapter 1 and Vedaa. Meanwhile, Mouni’s name has been doing the rounds in connection with Salman Khan-hosted Bigg Boss 20. Reports in August suggested that the actress had allegedly been approached by the show’s makers and was under consideration as a contestant. However, there has been no official confirmation from Mouni Roy yet.

‘Tidutunna Kodutunna’ Love Song from ‘Mugguru Kothulu’ Released by Popular Music Director Anup Rubens

Hyderabad cinema: Presented by GSR Creations and co-presented by Sky Flare Networks, ‘Mugguru Kothulu’ is produced by Shobha Rani Garimella and directed by Karthik Garimella. Teja Kondapally, Ganesh Boddu and Devansh are playing key roles in the film, while Varshika Pasam is the female lead. The film’s first-look poster has already impressed audiences, while the recently released title song also received a positive response. ““Now, the makers have unveiled a romantic melody from the film. “Popular music director Anup Rubens launched the song ‘Tidutunna Kodutunna’ from ‘Mugguru Kothulu’ and wished the entire team all the best. “Composed by S. Suhas, with lyrics penned by Jagadeesh, the song features the soulful vocals of Chaithanya and Lasya, making it a pleasant listen. ““The lyrical video showcases the love track between the hero and heroine, which appears set to be a special attraction of the film. The visuals are also pleasant and appealing. The shooting of ‘Mugguru Kothulu’ is progressing at a brisk pace. S. Suhas is composing the music for the film, while Raj Nomula is handling the cinematography and Jameer Shaik is taking care of



the editing. The team is gearing up to entertain audiences with more exciting updates in the coming days. **Cast :**Teja Kondapally, Ganesh Boddu, Devansh, Varshika Pasam and others **Technical Crew:** Presented by: GSR Creations **Co-Presented by:** Sky Flare Networks **Producer:** Shobha Rani Garimella **Director:** Karthik Garimella **Cinematography:** Raj Nomula **Music:** S. Suhas **Editing:** Jameer Shaik **PRO:** Sai Satish

Emma Navarro stuns Karolina Muchova as Taylor Townsend, Jessica Pegula advance at US Open

New York: Emma Navarro produced the biggest upset of the US Open so far, while Taylor Townsend reached the fourth round for a second successive year as a busy day in the women's singles draw saw several leading contenders survive contrasting challenges. Navarro, a semi-finalist at Flushing Meadows in 2024, ousted seventh seed Karolina Muchova 6-3, 7-5 in their first meeting. The American saved her best tennis for the closing stages, taking the final three games of both sets to complete her third victory over a Top 10 opponent since returning from a recent injury setback. Muchova, meanwhile, suffered her earliest US Open exit since 2022. Sixth seed Linda Noskova also negotiated a difficult test, overcoming American 29th seed Ann Li 6-2, 6-7(6), 6-2 on Court 17. Noskova looked

firmly in control after opening up a 6-2, 3-0 advantage, but Li fought back strongly to force a deciding set. The American even saved a match point in the second-set tiebreak with a forehand winner before levelling the contest. Noskova regained control when it mattered most, winning the last four games of the third set. Taylor Townsend continued her impressive run by defeating 15th seed Diana Shnaider 6-2, 6-7(3), 6-3 in a 2-hour, 27-minute battle. She appeared headed for a straightforward win after taking the opening set in just 30 minutes. Shnaider, however, rallied from 3-5 down in the second set and eventually forced a decider on her seventh set point. The American responded emphatically, claiming the final three games to book another fourth-round appearance. Her reward is



a blockbuster meeting with defending champion and world No. 1 Aryna Sabalenka, who extended her winning streak in New York to 16 matches with a straight-sets victory over Kamilla Rakhimova. Third seed Jessica Pegula also survived a scare, recovering from a disastrous opening set to defeat 31st seed Leylah Fernandez 1-6, 6-4, 6-3 in 2 hours and 11 minutes. The result keeps Pegula's hopes of finishing the tournament as world No. 1 alive, although she must win her maiden Grand Slam title to achieve that

feat. Her fourth-round opponent will be 36-year-old Sorana Cirstea, who continued her standout final season by beating 19th seed Jasmine Paolini 6-3, 6-3. Meanwhile, 11th seed Marta Kostyuk made another confident advance, defeating Ekaterina Alexandrova 6-3, 6-2. After breaking clear early in the opening set, Kostyuk recovered from an early deficit in the second by winning six consecutive games to return to the US Open fourth round for the second straight year.

Anahat Singh loses to Sivasangari Subramaniam in London Squash Classic quarterfinal



London: Indian teenager Anahat Singh's run at the London Squash Classic came to an abrupt end on Friday as Malaysian third seed Sivasangari Subramaniam produced a commanding display to secure a 2-0 victory in the women's quarterfinals. The 18-year-old Indian, ranked 20th in the world and the reigning world junior champion, struggled to impose herself against the world No. 5 from the outset. Sivasangari controlled the rallies and consistently pushed Anahat towards the back of the court before completing an 11-4, 11-4 victory in just 17 minutes. The result ended Anahat's campaign at the USD 144,000 PSA Gold event after she had produced one of her better performances in the previous round. The Indian had overcome eighth-seeded Belgian Nele Gilis in a hard-fought three-game encounter to reach the last eight. Sivasangari, a former London Squash Classic champion, will now meet second-seeded Egyptian Amina Orfi in the semifinals. Orfi, the reigning world champion, awaits the Malaysian in what promises to be a high-quality last-four contest. For Anahat, however, the defeat also provides an early indication of the challenge awaiting her at the Asian Games. Sivasangari is currently the highest-ranked player from Asia and is expected to be one of India's principal hurdles when the continental competition gets underway in Japan. The stakes at the Asian Games will be particularly significant, with the singles gold medallist earning qualification for the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics, where squash will make its long-awaited Olympic debut. Anahat will have another tournament before turning her full attention

towards the Asian Games. She is scheduled to compete at the Qatar Classic from September 12 as she continues her preparations for the continental showpiece. Sivasangari, meanwhile, credited her tactical approach and ability to maintain intensity for her comfortable win over the Indian youngster. "I'm happy with how I played today; Anahat is a very talented player. She's beaten some of the top players and challenged the majority of them," the Malaysian told SquashTV. "I put extra intensity in my hitting towards the back corners. Anahat is very dangerous when she has time, so I tried to take that away from her. Obviously, there are a lot of nerves coming into these matches with the best of three format, so I had to get my confidence and happy with how I dealt with things today.

Williams sisters' US Open doubles return ends in heartbreak

New York: Serena and Venus Williams' much-anticipated return to US Open doubles ended in heartbreak as Chan Hao-Ching and Maya Joint survived a marathon contest to prevail in a deciding super tiebreak at Arthur Ashe Stadium. In a match that stretched to three hours on Friday evening, Chan and Joint held their nerve when it mattered most to beat the 14-time Grand Slam doubles champions 6-3, 6-7 (8), 7-6 [7] and move into the second round. The result denied the Williams sisters a fairytale return to the tournament, where they had last partnered four years ago. Yet, the packed Ashe Stadium was treated to a contest that swung repeatedly between the two teams and ultimately required a super tiebreak to settle the outcome. Chan and Joint established control early, taking the opening set 6-3. The Williams sisters, however, responded with renewed intensity in the second, refusing to give their opponents any opening on serve. The set went all the way to a tiebreak, with neither pair able to break the deadlock through 12 games. Serena and Venus moved 5-3 ahead in the breaker after Serena produced a backhand volley winner, but Chan and Joint stayed within touching distance. A winner from Chan at the net kept the fight alive before the Williams sisters earned another set point. Joint then found an unreturned serve to make it 6-5, only for Serena to double fault on the next opportunity. The Williams sisters finally converted their fifth set point when Joint sent a forehand beyond the baseline, sending the contest into a deciding set and lifting the noise levels inside Arthur Ashe Stadium. Momentum



appeared to be firmly with Venus and Serena at the start of the decider, but Chan and Joint quickly turned the tables by moving 4-1 ahead. The Americans refused to surrender and responded by winning three straight games to level the set. Both sides then held serve through the remainder of the set, forcing the match into a super tiebreak. Serena and Venus made the perfect start, racing to a 5-0 advantage and moving within touching distance of a memorable comeback victory. But the finish belonged entirely to Chan and Joint. A series of costly mistakes from the Williams sisters allowed their opponents to claw their way back. Consecutive shots into the net reduced the deficit before Venus double faulted at 6-3. Chan and Joint seized the opening and reeled off six consecutive points. Chan then delivered a volley winner on match point to complete one of the most dramatic victories of the tournament and end the Williams sisters' return to New York doubles competition.

Carlos Alcaraz reaches fourth round after injury layoff



have been competing the whole time. So it surprised me the way that I'm feeling

and the way that I'm recovering after every match. "I'm just really happy about how I'm able to perform at my best after every match. Doesn't matter if I'm playing four or three sets. So I'm just really happy about it," Alcaraz was quoted by ATP. Alcaraz's results have offered further evidence of a smooth comeback. He has surrendered only one set so far, against Jaime Faria in the second round, while making his way through the early stages of the tournament. However, the Spaniard was keen to stress that the scoreboard does not necessarily reflect the physical and technical demands he has faced on court.

Re-survey should be conducted in presence of farmers



Re-survey will give permanent solution to land issues

Ibrahimpatnam: September 5: State Director of Survey, Settlement and Land Records Ronanki Kurmanadh State Director of Survey, Settlement and Land Records Ronanki Kurmanadh giving suggestions during surprise inspection of re-survey State Director of Survey, Settlement and Land Records Ronanki Kurmanadh said re-surveys being conducted in lands should be conducted in presence of farmers by informing them in advance and making them partners, and e-KYC should be made mandatory. On Saturday morning, he along with district Revenue and Survey officials conducted surprise inspection of re-survey programme being conducted at Guntupalli village of Ibrahimpatnam mandal in NTR district. He expressed happiness as survey was conducted in presence of farmers. He said surprise field inspections are being conducted along with farmers to ensure transparency so that mistakes are not repeated in re-survey. He said concerned farmer or family member should be present at field level on day survey is started and after completion of survey, boundary determination through document verification should be conducted in presence of farmer. He directed District Survey Officer Y. Mohan Rao to ensure information is provided till Pattadar Passbook with correct measurements is handed over to farmer. Speaking on this occasion, Director Kurmanadh

said with intention that mistakes should not be repeated in re-survey currently being held across State, Re-survey 2.0 is being conducted in such a way that re-survey is conducted in presence of farmers to solve all land issues. He said after conducting re-survey, land details will be informed as per land boundaries shown by farmer in form of notice and verification will be done by comparing with documents. He said by doing e-KYC, survey is being conducted in presence of farmer and information is being provided to farmers in all ways so that farmers do not face any trouble. He said across State, re-survey is being conducted in 628 villages in Phase-1, 748 in Phase-2, 729 in Phase-3 and 1645 villages in Phase-4, and survey is being conducted with 2,800 teams with advanced Rovers across State. He said field-level land details and document-wise details are being matched in presence of farmers and re-survey is being conducted in such a way that farmers are satisfied without giving scope for any land disputes in future. He said in Phase-5, re-survey is being conducted at field level along with farmers in 1,343 villages across State and farmers are also expressing satisfaction. He explained that action plan has been designed to provide immediate solution if problems are faced at field level. He said as per Government policies, their staff are working to make Andhra Pradesh a State without land disputes by March 2027. District Survey Officer Y. Mohan Rao, Tahsildar Ribka, Guntupalli village surveyors Datta, Shyam Son, Revenue and Survey staff and farmers participated in programme.

Dasara festivities-2026 to be held more grandly than before

*Priority for common devotees' darshan
Special arrangements for elderly and differently abled
24-hour Commsand Control Centre
Continuous monitoring of queue lines with AI-based monitoring
Vijayawada MP Kesineni Sivanath, MLA Sujana Chowdary*

Vijayawada September 5: Vijayawada MP Kesineni Sivanath said foolproof arrangements are being made to conduct Dasara festivities to be held on Indrakeeladri more grandly and conveniently for devotees than before. He directed officials to make arrangements mainly focusing on common devotees and take steps with main aim of providing satisfactory darshan of Goddess to them. Dasara festivities from October 11 to 20... In backdrop of Dasara festivities-2026 to be held from October 11 to October 20 on Indrakeeladri, coordination meeting was held on Saturday in conference hall on fourth floor in Maha Mandapam with public representatives,

district officials and temple officials. In this meeting, Vijayawada MP Kesineni Sivanath, West Constituency MLA Sujana Chowdary, District Collector Dr. G. Lakshmisha, Police Commissioner S.V. Rajashekhar Babu, Sri Durga Malleswara Swamyvarla Devasthanam EO V.K. Seena Naik and others participated and discussed comprehensively in meeting on aspects like arrangement of advanced queue lines, arrangement of holding areas, drinking water facility, sanitation management, arrangement of additional toilets, safety of devotees, special arrangements at bathing ghats, distribution of prasadam, annaprasada distribution, traf-

Women should grow as entrepreneurs with digital knowledge

*Immense opportunities if digital technology is adopted
Skills with aim of 'One Family - One Entrepreneur'
District Collector Dr. G. Lakshmisha*



NTR District / Ibrahimpatnam: September 5: District Collector Dr. G. Lakshmisha suggested that women of Self Help Groups should make proper use of digital and technical knowledge and grow as successful entrepreneurs besides creating extensive market for their products. District Collector Dr. G. Lakshmisha attended and encouraged women in Workshop on Digital and Technology Awareness for SHG Entrepreneurs programme organized for women entrepreneurs of Self Help Groups at Rise Centre, Guntupalli, Ibrahimpatnam mandal. Speaking on this occasion, Collector said digital technology is playing key role in present business sector. He said many benefits like product promotion, marketing, reaching customers, online sales and business opportunities with Government-private organizations can be obtained by utilizing technology. In line with aim of 'One Family - One Entrepreneur', Collector aspired that at least one person from every family should grow to level of achieving financial self-sufficiency and in this process, women of Self Help Groups should grow as entrepreneurs who provide jobs, not just as those who get employment. He said big-



ger market can be reached by increasing awareness on quality, packaging and branding along with digital marketing for products being made by women. Resource Person Prasanna from DxEdge @ CII, Resource Person Srinivas from Walmart Vriddhi organization and Resource Person Yashwanth from GeM participated in workshop and created awareness among women entrepreneurs on aspects like digital technology, e-commerce, digital marketing, online business opportunities and opportunities to provide products/services to Government organizations. Officials said this workshop will help women of Self Help Groups to further expand their small-scale businesses and take their products from local market to national level market by adopting technology.



fic control, Command Control Centre and management of protocol darshan timings as part of arrangements for Dasara festivities. Speaking on this occasion, MP Kesineni Sivanath said as per orders of Chief Minister of State, highest priority is being given to common devotees in Dasara festivities. He suggested all departments should work in coordination to provide easy and satisfactory darshan of Goddess to devotees without any difficulties. He directed officials to make arrangements with advance planning keeping in view rush of devotees. MP said VIP and VVIP darshans will be reduced so that common devotees do not face difficulties. He said Rs. 1,000 darshan ticket will be available for VIP darshan on all days of Sharannavaratri and arrangements are being made so that common devotees can use all other queue lines free of cost. However, he clarified that no darshan tickets will be sold on Moola Nakshatram and Vijayadashami festival days. He suggested to make arrangements with special plan as there is possibility of heavy rush of devotees on these two important days. MP Kesineni Sivanath said on Moola Nakshatram day, Chief Minister of State will offer silk clothes on behalf of Government to Goddess. On this occasion, he requested officials to take steps in coordination in aspects like security, traffic, darshan and queue lines so that devotees do not face any difficulties. MP said special queue lines and nec-

essary assistive arrangements will be made so that elderly and differently abled devotees do not face any difficulties. He suggested to take steps to provide comfortable darshan keeping in view age and physical ability of devotees. It was decided in meeting to set up 24-hour Command Control Centre to continuously monitor aspects like rush of devotees, traffic, security and queue lines during Dasara festivities. Festival management will be monitored using CCTV cameras, drones and modern technology. MLA Sujana Chowdary speaking said all arrangements are being made in advance to conduct Dasara festivities better than before. He suggested officials to prepare all basic facilities in advance as there is possibility of more number of devotees coming than last year for Dasara festivities. He said main aim is to provide satisfactory darshan without any difficulty to common devotees. He suggested to estimate number of devotees in advance and keep facilities like annaprasadam and drinking water available at appropriate level. District Collector Dr. G. Lakshmisha speaking said officials and staff of various departments like Revenue, Police, Municipal and Devasthanam will perform duties in coordination in conduct of Dasara festivities. He said steps will be taken to assign specific responsibilities to each department and implement effectively to provide better services to devotees.

AP govt's fact-check unit rejects allegations over

Amaravati: State government Fact-Check unit rejecting allegations of irregularities in the DSC 2025 teacher recruitment process while the YSRCP intensified its attack on IT and HRD minister Nara Lokesh. The government's Fact-Check unit said on X that despite repeated clarifications on DSC 2025, some individuals were deliberately spreading misinformation and raising irrelevant issues through various media platforms. It said the government had presented its position before the courts in cases relating to the recruitment process and that its stand had been upheld. The unit also pointed to grievance cells established at different levels to address candidates' complaints, claiming that more than 3,500 objections had been satisfactorily resolved. It said officials had also clarified issues concerning horizontal reservation and the sports quota. The government maintained that DSC 2025 selections were made strictly on merit and without political interference, and accused opponents of repeatedly making false allegations for political gain. The YSRCP, however, alleged that the recruitment process had been compromised, particularly through the sports quota. The party alleged that candidates were given teacher posts on the basis of questionable sports certificates and claimed that some of those selected did



not even possess the mandatory TET qualification. The Opposition singled out the case of Prabhakar, a BC candidate from Ratnapalli village in Kurnool district's Veldurthi mandal, who was reportedly posted as an SGT at Valluru MPPS. The YSRCP alleged that he had secured only 65.4281 marks in the 2022 TET Paper-1A, against the 75-mark qualifying requirement applicable to him, and scored 51.7424 marks in the 2025 TET. According to the YSRCP, the Sports Authority of Andhra Pradesh (SAAP) nevertheless selected him under the sports quota by considering his 2022 TET score. The party said the discrepancy emerged during a certificate-verification inquiry by the Education Department. The YSRCP linked the case to its broader allegation that the sports quota had been used to favour persons associated with the ruling establishment and alleged that some beneficiaries had participated in the 'Yuva Galam' padayatra.

Penumuru police arrest man for allegedly killing father

Tirupati: Penumuru police arrested a man in connection with the murder of his father at Manikyarayunipalli village in Penumuru mandal of Chittoor district on Wednesday night. The accused, identified as S Jokesh Reddy alias Balaji, was arrested near Sai Nagar Colony on Pakala Road on Thursday. Speaking to the media in Chittoor on Friday, police officials said that they also seized the knife allegedly used in the murder, the motorcycle used by him and his blood-stained shirt. According to police, Jokesh Reddy, working as Hitachi operator, had been living separately in Penumuru for about nine years due to family disputes. His wife, Chudamani, had called his father, S Chenga Reddy, on Wednesday evening and asked him to come to their house, complaining about Jokesh's alleged drinking habit and debts. Police said Jokesh feared that his father would reprimand him over his drinking



and debts. He allegedly went to his parents' house around 8 pm carrying a knife. During a conversation, his father reportedly questioned him about the same issues, following which Jokesh allegedly attacked him with the knife in the presence of his mother and fled from the spot. Based on a complaint lodged by the victim's wife, Penumuru police registered a case under Section 103(1) of the BNS and launched an investigation. A special police team traced the accused and arrested him the next day. Police said the seized items would form part of the investigation.

Vizag: NEET Aspirant Allegedly Commits Suicide In Gajuwaka

Visakhapatnam: A NEET aspirant allegedly committed suicide at a coaching centre in Gajuwaka on Friday. As per details shared by South Zone CI Vasu Naidu the student identified as Rupesh (19), son of Ramesh and Srilakshmi from Anakapalli, joined a private coaching centre at Old Gajuwaka for NEET long-term coaching. He used to come from Anakapalli every day to the coaching centre. He came to the coaching centre as usual on Friday too. Fellow students noticed that he looked depressed during lunch and later left saying that he would come back after paying the fees. Rupesh was seriously



injured and was rushed to a private hospital in Gajuwaka, but succumbed while undergoing treatment. The CI said that they retrieved the deceased's mobile phone, and found through the search history that he had looked up on the internet on how to commit suicide before taking the extreme step.

Tirumala Brahmotsavams: Police, TTD step up security, traffic measures



Tirupati: Tirupati district Superintendent of Police L Subba Rayudu and TTD CV&SO KV Murali Krishna reviewed security, crowd management and traffic arrangements in Tirumala in view of the Srivari Salakatla and Navaratri Brahmotsavams. The officials inspected Tirumala Ring Road, key traffic junctions and routes used by devotees on Friday and reviewed the arrangements made to manage the expected rush. The SP said strict security measures were being put in place to ensure that devotees do not face inconvenience during the Brahmotsavams. Special attention was being given to crowd and traffic management. Control rooms and sub-control rooms have also been readied under the Command Control Centre for effective monitoring and coordination. He said parking space in Tirumala was limited and could accommodate only around 2,500 to 3,000 vehicles. Considering the requirements of local residents, TTD staff, officials and other vehicles, parking would be regulated

systematically. Some locations in Tirupati have been identified where private and yellow-board vehicles would be parked. Devotees parking their vehicles in Tirupati would be encouraged to travel to Tirumala by APSRTC buses and return to Tirupati after darshan. The SP appealed to devotees to cooperate with the police and TTD and make use of public transport. CV&SO Murali Krishna said security arrangements were being strengthened in coordination with the district police and TTD Vigilance, Security and Engineering departments.

Crowd movement, traffic regulation and queue management were being closely reviewed. He said more than 2,800 CCTV cameras across Tirumala were connected to the Command Control Centre. Facial recognition and automated analytics were being used to monitor the crowd continuously. Additional cameras were also being installed at identified pressure points where large gatherings were expected.

Reverification of certificates demanded

Guntur: The YSRCP reiterated its demand for a CBI probe into the irregularities in DSC 2025 and called for the reverification of certificates submitted by all candidates selected under the sports quota. Speaking to the media at the YSRCP Central office in Tadepalli on Friday, former minister Perni Venkatramaiah (Nani) said many skeletons would tumble out of the DSC cupboard and that the TDP, despite its media power, could not cover up the irregularities for long. The incident in Kurnool district, where a candidate was appointed under the sports quota without qualifying the mandatory Teacher Eligibility Test has exposed the haphazard manner in which jobs were



filled, he said. Those who dismissed the allegations raised by former Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy must now explain how the candidate secured a post at the elementary school in Valluru village of Kowthalam mandal without passing the TET.

Guntur Minor Girl Rescued After 90 Days; Accused Detained in Karnal, Haryana

Karnal: In a significant development in the kidnapping case of a minor girl from Guntur who had been missing for more than 90 days, the Special Investigation Team (SIT) has rescued the girl and detained the accused, Shaik Jhan Saida, in Karnal, Haryana. He was reportedly taken into custody from a hotel there. The case had become a major challenge for Andhra Pradesh Police after the accused allegedly used social media to lure the 15-year-old Class 10 student. He had evaded authorities for nearly three months, travelling through Parchur in Bapatla, Nellore, Coimbatore, Palakkad in Kerala, and Hyderabad, before finally being tracked down in Haryana. The girl's father had

filed a habeas corpus petition in the High Court. During the hearing, the High Court expressed strong displeasure over lapses in the police investigation and pulled up state DGP Harish Kumar Gupta over the issue, posting the case for further hearing on September 7. Following the filing of the case, Guntur SP Vakul Jindal constituted a Special Investigation Team (SIT), comprising members from the Pattabhipuram Police Station, to trace the girl. After an extensive search while tracking the accused's movements through SIM card data and facial recognition technology, the SIT team was able to locate and detain Shaik Jaan Saida in Haryana.