

Battle over SIR

NDIA alliance fight on SIR today
Protest rally at 10:30 AM
Rally from Parliament to ECI

Adhwaitha, New Delhi October 5:New Delhi: SIR has now become not just an issue related to election process.. but has turned into intense political-legal dispute between Centre,



Election Commission, opposition. While INDIA alliance alleges that there is possibility of removing names of eligible voters, that voting right will be affected, ruling party, EC argue that cleaning voter lists, removing details of dead, duplicate names, those who shifted to

other regions is normal responsibility of Election Commission. In this backdrop, opposition parties are demanding to stop SIR, to re-add removed eligible voters' names, CEC Gyanesh Kumar to resign.Behind CEC Gyanesh Kumar resignation de-

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Five Additional Judges Sworn



Vijayawada:Andhra Pradesh High Court Chief Justice Lisa Gill administered the oath of office to five additional judges at a programme held on the High Court premises at Nelapadu in Amaravati, Guntur district, on Monday. The judges sworn in were Justice Maheswara Rao Kuncheam alias Kuncham, Justice Thoota Chandra Dhana Sekar alias TCD Sekhar, Justice Challla Gunaranjan, Justice Avadhanam Hari Haranadha Sarma and Justice Dr Yadavalli

Lakshmana Rao. The Union ministry of law and justice had recently issued a notification appointing the five judges after President Droupadi Murmu approved their appointment following the recommendation of the Supreme Court Collegium at its meeting on September 23. Other judges, AP Bar Council members, High Court Advocates Association members, senior advocates and judicial officers were present.

CM, Shivraj visit natural farming fields



Guntur: Union Minister for Rural Development Shivraj Singh Chouhan and Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu visited the natural farming field of farmer

Janaki Ram at Burrupalem on Sunday. Chouhan appreciated Janaki Ram for introducing natural farming and enquired about

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Not Drought Region.. But Jewel Region..

Kickstart for Jaladhara in Proddatur of Kadapa district
Jaladhara with Rs.30,156 crores.. 27.36 lakh new tap connections
We will make Rayalaseema a jewel region: Chandrababu
Not vendetta, fights.. Development is aim: Pawan

Adhwaitha, Proddatur October 5:Proddatur: Chief Minister Chandrababu, Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan together launched Jal Jeevan Mission-2.0, Amarajeevi Jaladhara programs on platform of Proddatur in Kadapa district. Estimated cost of Rs.30,156 crores has been allocated for this huge project taken up with aim of providing safe drinking water to every house in rural areas. Government has aimed to provide 27.36 lakh new tap connections across state along with ensuring no drinking water problems for people in rural areas.State



ministers, local public representatives, officials participated in this program. Government says through this scheme, situation of especially women in rural ar-

reas having to go to distant places for drinking water can be removed. Officials explained that if safe water is provided at

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AP to pilot 3D concrete printing tech for housing

Guntur: Chief Minister Nara Chandrababu Naidu has said that 3D concrete printing technology would be introduced on a pilot basis at Burrupalem as part of the state's housing programme. The technology, being used for the first time in the country, is expected to help construct houses faster and provide better thermal comfort, with indoor temperatures projected to remain around eight degrees Celsius lower, the Chief Minister said. Naidu, along with Union Minister for Rural Development and Agriculture Shivraj



Singh Chouhan, laid the foundation stone for the construction of three lakh houses across Andhra Pradesh under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-

Gramin (PMAY-G) 2.0 at Burrupalem in the Tenali Assembly constituency on Sunday. Earlier, Shivraj Singh Chouhan

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CPI to contest local body polls



Guntur: CPI State secretariat member Jangala Ajay Kumar said the CPI state leadership had decided to contest the upcoming local body elections by entering into seat adjustments with non-NDA parties in areas where the CPI has a strong presence. Addressing the media here on Sunday, he alleged that 13 crore votes of people opposed to the NDA had been deleted under the guise of the SIR process. He said it is not correct. He claimed that 30 lakh votes had been deleted in AP

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NTR Varsity Calls for Strengthening Mentor-Mentee System in AP Medical Colleges



Vijayawada:Dr NTR University of Health Sciences has called upon medical colleges in Andhra Pradesh to strengthen the mentor-mentee system, with one faculty member mentoring a group of six to seven students

to ensure early identification of stress and timely support for those facing emotional or psychological difficulties. NTR University vice-chancellor Dr P. Chandrasekhar and registrar Dr

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Justice must not only
be done but also re-
main beyond doubt

When a retired Supreme Court judge joins the governing body of a Reliance-backed wildlife initiative, a legitimate question arises. It is not whether he did anything wrong. It is whether the institution he served can still persuade citizens that nothing was wrong. Former Supreme Court judge Justice Krishna Murari, who served on the apex court from 2019 until his retirement in 2023, joined in September 2026 the five-member Governing Council of Vantara, the animal welfare initiative of Reliance Industries and Reliance Foundation. An investigation by Article 14 reports that he was involved in proceedings that enabled Vantara’s acquisition of elephants, its operation as a private zoo, and the nationwide expansion of a committee that oversaw elephant transfers to the facility, and that he joined its top governing body three years after retiring. It is worth being precise about what is and is not alleged. In August 2022, Justice Murari sat on a bench that declined to interfere with a High Court order permitting elephant transfers to a temple trust later linked to Vantara. There is no general cooling-off rule preventing a retired Supreme Court judge from accepting such a private-sector or non-profit governance role. Nobody has produced evidence of a quid pro quo. The gap of three years is long by the standards of such appointments. Neither Vantara nor Justice Murari’s office responded to probing media queries. The judge may well have a complete answer, and he deserves the chance to give it. But the matter does not end with an absence of proof. Public confidence rests on appearances, and the appearances here are uncomfortable. A pattern, not an aberration: Vantara is not the first such episode. It is the latest in a long line, mostly in public office rather than private enterprise. No court has ever held, and this piece does not allege, that any specific judgment was influenced by the promise of a future post. But the recurrence of the pattern, its timing, and the judiciary’s own reluctance to self-regulate have made “post-retirement sinecures” one of the most serious credibility challenges facing India’s higher judiciary today. Former Chief Justice of India P Sathasivam, who retired in April 2014, was appointed Governor of Kerala that November. Ranjan Gogoi, who demitted office as Chief Justice of India in November 2019, was nominated to the Rajya Sabha within months. The nomination drew sharp criticism. Opposition MPs asked whether it was a quid pro quo and how the public could have faith in judicial independence. In February 2023, the President appointed Justice S Abdul Nazeer as Governor of Andhra Pradesh just 40 days after his retirement. He was part of the Ayodhya bench and had headed the Constitution bench that upheld demonetisation. Of the four retired judges on the Ayodhya bench, three had by then received government posts within months of their respective retirements. In 2021, Justice Arun Mishra became NHRC chairperson almost nine months after retiring from the Supreme Court and was criticised for his earlier public praise of the Prime Minister at a judicial conference. Rights groups objected, and they said the appointment violated the Paris Principles governing national human rights institutions. None of these judges has been shown to have decided any case with an eye on a future job.

Not Drought Region..
But Jewel Region...

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doorstep through tap, burden of water collection on women will reduce along with improving living standards of rural families. Speaking in meeting, CM Chandrababu said their government's aim is to make Rayalaseema not as drought region but as jewel region. He said priority is being given to development of drinking water, irrigation water, roads, industries, infrastructure. He clarified that huge projects are being taken up to show permanent solution to water problem and government is working to ensure drinking water to every house. Chandrababu criticized that previous government did not move forward at expected level in implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission. He said government's aim is not just announcing schemes but completing them at field level and benefiting people. He suggested officials also should act responsibly in providing better services to people. Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan in his speech gave priority to development, public welfare. He clarified that we need development not quarrels, fights, vendettas. He said whether it is Pulivendula or Araku, irrespective of region, party difference, their government's aim is to provide drinking water to people. He said they will provide governance that meets needs of people away from vindictive politics. Chandrababu, Pawan Kalyan together launching huge drinking water project on Kadapa soil has also gained political importance. While on one side government is taking this forward as development program showing solution to water problem in Rayalaseema, on other side coalition government has strongly voiced its development agenda in Kadapa. Messages of two leaders - Not drought region.. jewel region, Not vendettas.. but development - stood as highlight in this tour.

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mand are mainly allegations that came on EC decision-making process. Opposition parties are mentioning that Election Commissioners Sukhbir Singh Sandhu, Vivek Joshi expressed objections on several decisions related to SIR. Especially alleging that internal objections were recorded on 14 occasions, INDIA leaders say CEC acted unilaterally. However EC clarified that all decisions were finally taken unanimously and personal opinions or suggestions cannot be equated with final decision. Therefore actual dispute is revolving around questions - How transparently did EC decision process happen rather than SIR? Did CEC exceed his jurisdiction? Now Centre's stand is completely different. BJP leaders are counter-attacking that whenever opposition parties lose elections, making allegations on EC, EVMs, voter lists has become political. EC sources say there is no need to stop SIR, there are opportunities in process to raise objections, correct names wrongly removed. BJP leaders also counter that this is legitimate process taken up for voter list purification and portraying it as vote chori is only creating confusion among people. Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan also criticized that when they win elections democracy is fine, when they lose blaming EC is not right method. INDIA alliance is ready to take this political fight to streets now. On October 6, opposition MPs will conduct march from Parliament Makar Dwar to Central Election Commission office. This protest will proceed with main demands as cancellation of SIR, re-adding names of eligible voters, EC acting transparently, CEC Gyanesh Kumar resigning. 19 opposition parties including Congress, Trinamool Congress, Samajwadi Party, NCP-Sharad Pawar faction, Shiv Sena-UBT, RJD, CPM, CPI, Jammu & Kashmir National Conference, PDP, JMM, CPI(ML), IUML, VCK, RSP etc have agreed for joint action. However Aam Aadmi Party clarified that it is not part of this specific alliance program. Now most crucial turn in this matter is Supreme Court's latest stand. Court refused to give immediate interim orders on petition filed seeking temporary suspension of CEC Gyanesh Kumar. At same time, it issued notices to Central Government, Election Commission, concerned officials seeking their explanation. Supreme Court clarified that unilateral orders cannot be given based only on newspaper reports, and whether legal provisions were violated in decisions related to SIR will be decided after examining records. Court also signaled that if it is found decisions were taken contrary to law, there is possibility of re-examining them. Overall.. SIR has now become bigger political battle than voter list revision. On one side INDIA alliance is intensifying movement saying voting right must be protected.. EC independence must be protected, while on other side Centre, BJP are counter-attacking saying legitimate voter list purification process is being politically obstructed.

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the farming methods he is following, and the expenditure incurred on cultivation. Janaki Ram told the Union Minister that the cost of cultivating paddy under natural farming methods was only around Rs 7,000 per acre, compared with about Rs 25,000 per acre when chemical fertilisers were used. Speaking during the visit to the agricultural field, Chouhan said the AP government was promoting natural farming and had set a target of taking up natural farming on 50 lakh acres. He noted that farmers were using Beejamrutha and Jeevamrutha in cultivation instead of fertilisers and added that Prime Minister Narendra Modi was promoting natural farming.

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and notices were being issued seeking explanations as to why another 32 lakh votes should not be deleted. Buy Maps He said the nationwide agitation was continuing with demands for the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner and complete withdrawal of the SIR process. He recalled that the government had promised during the elections to provide Rs 1,500 per month to women and Rs 3,000 per month as unemployment assistance to unemployed youth, but these promises had not been implemented so far. He said the CPI had called for a Chalo Assembly programme on October 26 to press for these demands.

NTR Varsity Calls for Strengthening
Mentor-Mentee System in AP Medical Colleges

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T. Sai Sudheer stressed the need for a robust institutional support system while addressing principals of medical colleges during a webinar on Monday on measures to safeguard the mental health and well-being of medical students. EASE-AP medical director and child and adolescent psychiatrist Dr Aparna Vuppala (USA) explained the mental health challenges faced by medical students and the preventive and supportive measures to be adopted by colleges. Later, addressing the media, Dr Chandrasekhar and Dr Sai Sudheer said a strong mentor-mentee system would enable faculty members to understand students’ academic and emotional issues at an early stage and facilitate appropriate support when required.

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handed over the first instalment of 3 lakh houses worth Rs 3,600 crore to Andhra Pradesh under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Gramin 2.0 at the event in Burripalem village. In the presence of Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu, Chouhan also laid the foundation stone for the country’s first pilot housing project using 3D concrete printing technology, comprising 177 houses at a cost of Rs 14 crore. Naidu said that after successful completion of the pilot project, 5,000 houses would be constructed using 3D printing technology, with the objective of making Andhra Pradesh a model for technology-based housing. The leaders joined a beneficiary family in laying the foundation for the construction of their house, which will be built using three-dimensional (3D) printing technology. Chauhan assured the beneficiary family in Burripalem that a durable house will be constructed for them at the lowest possible cost at the earliest time. Naidu underscored that the new house would incorporate the latest technology to ensure a cooler indoor environment. Addressing a public meeting, Naidu said the state would achieve the goal of providing housing to all eligible beneficiaries by 2029. He said the Centre had initially sanctioned 75,000 houses to Andhra Pradesh and subsequently increased the allocation to three lakh houses following his request. Naidu said Chouhan had agreed to sanction another three lakh houses after completion of the present batch, while a further three lakh houses would be sanctioned next year, taking the total allocation to nine lakh houses. Recalling the significance of Burripalem, Naidu said the village was the birthplace of legendary actor superstar Krishna and had now produced a political leader in the form of Union Minister Dr Pemmasani Chandrasekhar. He also recalled Chouhan’s contribution to Madhya Pradesh through major river-linking projects. Naidu criticised the previous government for its alleged mismanagement of the housing programme between 2019 and 2024. He alleged that six lakh houses sanctioned for the poor had been cancelled and that corruption and irregularities had affected the housing initiative. Speaking on the occasion, Union Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said the Centre, under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, would extend full support to Andhra Pradesh’s development. Executive Branch He described the state’s transformation under Naidu’s leadership as “a journey towards a Shining Andhra, Advanced Andhra and Achieving Andhra”. Chouhan said the Centre was providing Rs 6,000 annually to every eligible farmer under the PM-KISAN scheme, while the Andhra Pradesh government was providing an additional Rs 14,000 under the Annadata Sukhibhava scheme, taking the total annual assistance to Rs 20,000.

My vehicles.. My wish.. Won't pay tollWon't pay toll

Won't stop our lorries
MLA Chintamaneni's tippers create ruckus
Vedurupavuluru toll gate blocked“4 km traffic jam
Ambulances also face trouble



Adhwaitha, Krishna District, October 5: A toll fee dispute at West Bypass Toll Plaza in Vedurupavuluru, Gannavaram mandal, Krishna district led to tension. The dispute started when some tipper lorries belonging to Denduluru TDP MLA Chintamaneni Prabhakar tried to pass without paying toll fee. When toll staff stopped the lorries, drivers argued with staff saying they are MLA's vehicles and will not pay toll fee. As situation escalated, some tippers tried to ram the toll gate and move forward. When staff resisted, they parked 20 tipper lorries blocking the toll plaza route. With lorries blocking six toll gates on the route from Eluru to Guntur, there was a huge traffic jam. Motorists faced difficulties for hours. Vehicles were stuck for about four kilometers. The dispute over toll payment finally becoming an obstacle for hundreds of motorists' journey has now become a topic of discussion. The main question arising here is why should not toll be paid if they are MLA's vehicles? As per rules, some vehicles of public representatives may have toll exemptions. But how can



same exemption apply to every commercial vehicle, especially private tipper lorries? If they are toll-payable vehicles, how justified is it to pressure staff by mentioning MLA's name or to argue? Questions are arising. If people get feeling that one rule for common man and another rule for ruling party leader, it may become embarrassing for government. More concerning aspect in this incident is said to be disruption caused to emergency services. With huge traffic jam, four ambulances were also reportedly stuck in traffic. On one side ambulances shifting patients in critical condition to hospitals, on other side lorries, vehicles stuck on road due to toll fee dispute. How long was really disruption caused to ambulances?



How severe was traffic situation? It should become clear in officials' inquiry. However, if dispute reaches level causing obstruction to public movement and emergency services, it cannot be taken as a normal toll quarrel. This matter may also become politically embarrassing for TDP government. CM Chandrababu is saying he is giving priority to discipline, implementation of rules in his administration. At this time, such allegations coming on vehicles belonging to ruling party MLA Chintamaneni may have negative impact on government. If attitude like "My vehicles.. My wish.. Won't pay toll" really took place, how government responds becomes crucial. In background of Chintamaneni Prabhakar earlier being in news with various controversies, discus-

sion has started whether government will turn a blind eye to latest incident or will take action if found violating rules. Overall, dispute that started with allegations "Won't pay toll.. Won't stop our lorries" has gone to level of parking lorries across toll gates, 4 km traffic jam, trouble to ambulances, creating sensation. However, full facts should come out with official inquiry on aspects like whether tippers belonging to Chintamaneni Prabhakar are eligible for toll exemption? What did drivers talk to staff? Why were lorries parked across? How much disruption caused to traffic and ambulances? But if allegations prove true, government needs to make clear through action that rules are not different for those in power. Otherwise wrong signals may go to public.

Arrest of Absconding Accused in Culpable Homicide Not Amounting to Murder Case

AMEER HUSSAIN - CRIME BUREAU CHIEF
Case Details: Crime No. 345/2026, Section 105 r/w 3(5) BNS, Musheerabad Police Station. Accused: "A-1: Ahmed Maher Siddique Ahmed alias Siddique, Age: 34, Occupation: Real Estate Business, Residence: H.No. 1-9-55/1, Near Soumya Hospital, Ramnagar, Hyderabad. Incident: "On 05.09.2026 at around 11:00 PM, complainant stated that his 19-year-old son S. Badrinath went to the Ganesh Aagaman procession in Ramnagar with his friend. When he called Badrinath around 9:00 PM, there was no response. Later he got information that his son was admitted to Gandhi Hospital. The duty doctor examined him and declared him brought dead. Suspecting death due to the chaos at the Ganesh Aagaman program, he requested legal action. Investigation Revealed: Accused Siddique, the organizer, had arranged huge stages, trusses, heavy lighting, bands, DJ/sound systems and mics. Investigation revealed he did not obtain proper permissions from concerned authorities for trusses, huge DJ sound system and fireworks. Despite repeated warnings from police, organizers continued sound systems beyond permissible limits. Cannons were fired in crowded areas creating panic and confusion. In that chaos, Badrinath fell unconscious near Soumya Hospital and was shifted to Gandhi Hospital where doctors declared him dead. Siddique along with his follow-



ers acted with gross negligence knowing there was danger to public life, which is punishable under Section 105 r/w 3(5) BNS. Arrest: Absconding accused Siddique was arrested on 04.10.2026 at 23:30 hrs by Sri G. Ranveer Reddy, ACP, Chikka dpalli Division, Secunderabad Zone and produced before Hon'ble XVII ACJM Court, Nampally, Hyderabad. Under supervision of Smt. Rakshitha Krishnamurthi, IPS, DCP, Secunderabad Zone and Sri J. Narsayya, Addl. DCP, Secunderabad Zone, the main accused was arrested with continuous efforts of Task Force, Secunderabad Zone Team and Musheerabad Police. Issued by - Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police, Secunderabad Zone, Hyderabad City.

By-polls in six seats.. Agni Pariksha for leaders!

By-polls in six seats.. acid test for leaders
Vijay's first political test in Tamil Nadu
High-voltage fight in Nandigram.. Reginagar
Results on October 9.. Whose strength how much?

Adhwaitha, Delhi October 5: By-election buzz is prevailing in the country. Today polling will be held for total six seats in four states and one Union Territory. Of these five are Assembly seats and one is Lok Sabha seat. Polling will be held for Maduranthakam (SC), Dharapuram (SC) in Tamil Nadu, Nandigram, Reginagar in West Bengal, Thattanchavady in Puducherry Assembly seats, and Nagaon Lok Sabha seat in Assam. Counting will be taken up on October 9 and results will be declared. Hence curiosity has prevailed in political circles over results of these six seats by-elections. Maduranthakam, Dharapuram seats in Tamil Nadu are evoking special interest. With resignations of then MLAs, these two seats fell vacant making by-elections inevitable. With triangular contest among TVK, DMK, AIADMK, results have become interesting. Chief Minister, TVK chief Vijay himself actively participating in campaigning brought more importance to these elections. If he wins two seats, along with increase in TVK strength in Assembly, it may become a key signal of public opinion on Vijay government. Intense curiosity is also prevailing over Nandigram, Reginagar by-elections in West Bengal. Nandigram seat fell vacant with resigna-



tion of CM Suvendu Adhikari, while Reginagar seat fell vacant with resignation of Humayun Kabir. While contest between BJP, Congress has become interesting in Nandigram, fight has become multi-cornered in Reginagar with TMC, Congress, AJUP along with rebel TMC group in fray. As voter list SIR issue also became key in political discussion, these results are likely to impact future strategies of parties. Now by-election will be held for Thattanchavady Assembly seat in Puducherry and Nagaon Lok Sabha seat in Assam. By-election became inevitable there as Chief Minister N. Rangasamy resigned from Thattanchavady seat to continue another constituency. Nagaon Lok Sabha seat fell vacant with resignation of Congress MP Pradyut Bordoloi. Overall, these six by-elections are not limited to filling vacant seats.

Land Acquisition Flames

Tension over land acquisition in Gorapudi
Private company's eye on farmers' lands?
Farmers agitate for 570 acres of land
Objection to land acquisition without Gram Sabha



Adhwaitha, Anakapalli District, October 5:Land acquisition issue led to tension in Gorapudi of Rambilli mandal, Anakapalli district. Farmers started agitation as Revenue and APIIC officials came to acquire about 570 acres of land for SEZ. Farmers alleged that officials are trying to vacate lands without paying fair compensation. Demanding compensation of Rs.60 to Rs.70 lakh per acre, they made clear that lands should be taken only after paying compensation. In this process, argument took place between officials and farmers, leading to heavy police deployment in the village.Farmers are questioning how officials come for taking over lands when case on compensation issue is already continuing in High Court. They

expressed anguish that trying for land acquisition without considering their objections is not proper. On other hand, farmers are questioning how land acquisition process is taken up without conducting Gram Sabha. Questions are coming to fore like whether Gram Sabha resolution has taken place so far? What assurance has government given to farmers on compensation, rehabilitation? Demands are being heard that government, officials should give clarity on this dispute and take further steps considering farmers' objections. On other hand, questions are arising why Minister Anita is not responding though farmers are agitating in village and severe objections are being expressed over officials' attitude.

Mayor chance for Siddhartha..?

Bonda Siddhartha should be given Mayor chance
East Kapu leaders appeal to Chandrababu
Siddhartha close to people with service programs



Adhwaitha, Vijayawada October 5:East Kapu community leaders requested state government to give opportunity to Telugu Desam Party youth leader Bonda Siddhartha as Vijayawada Mayor. They spoke at a media conference organized under auspices of East Kapu Vidya Vignana Abhivruddhi Sangham at Sitannapeta Gate on Monday. They said they will soon meet Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu, Minister Nara Lokesh and submit representation in this regard. Leaders said they have been working under leadership of Bonda Uma Maheshwara Rao for last 15 years and have close association with his family.They said though Bonda Siddhartha pursued higher education and had good job opportunities in America, leaving them he came into politics for public service and has been actively participating in TDP programs for last five years. They said he is playing active role in distribution of livelihood tools to poor,



Intintiki TDP, meetings with youth, students, solving public issues, social service programs. They opined that if Mayor post is given to Siddhartha as a youth leader accessible to people without any selfish interests, it will be useful for city development.East Kapu leaders said Vijayawada needs leadership with youth ideas, modern outlook. They said East Kapu community has considerable vote strength in city and that community has been supporting TDP since long. They said if given opportunity as Mayor, Siddhartha will focus specially on aspects like sanitation, drinking water, roads, drainage, street lights, women's safety, opportunities for youth. They said if Siddhartha's youth leadership is added to Bonda Uma Maheshwara Rao's political experience, Vijayawada will develop further. Ippili Rammohan, Karnam Venkataramana, Pinninti Srinu, Ippili Srinu, Tiles Srinu, Sriramulu, Bangaru Naidu and others participated in meeting.

Invitation to Suwendu Adhikari for Vijayawada Utsav–2.0, Invitation to Suwendu

Adhikari for Vijayawada Utsav–2.0“CM Suwendu invited for Devi Sharannavaratri festivities“Invitation letter through Rammohan NaiduAdhwaitha, West Bengal October 5:West Bengal: Union Minister Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu invited West Bengal CM Suwendu Adhikari to Devi Sharannavaratri festivities and Vijayawada Utsav-2.0 to be grandly conducted in Vijayawada. Rammohan Naidu met Suwendu Adhikari in West Bengal and handed over invitation for festivities.He requested Chief Minister Suwendu



Adhikari to attend Devi Sharannavaratri festivities of Goddess Sri Kanaka Durga seated on Indrakeeladri in Vijayawada and get blessings of Goddess. He also invited to participate in Vijayawada Utsav-2.0 to be conducted in city and enjoy special culture, traditions, artistic grandeur of Vijayawada.

New Grandeur for Dasara Festive buzz in Vijayawada“Grand



Vijayawada Utsav - 2.0“Artistic splend our at Durgamma.. Krishnamma's abod e“Bonda Siddhartha lays foundation for works

Adhwaitha, Vijayawada October 5:Ar-rangements have started for Vijaya wada Utsav-2.0 to further enhance Dasara grandeur. Youth leader Bonda Siddhartha, Gottimukkala Raghu, AP Cultural Corporation Chairperson Tejaswini, Nagavamsham Corporation Chairman Erabothu Ramana performed special pujas and laid foundation stone for works related to festivities at Makineni Basavapunnaiah Stadium in Singh Nagar. Bonda Siddhartha said arrangements are being made to conduct it more grandly this time keeping in view response received for Vijayawada Utsav last year.Organizers said festivities will be conducted as confluence of spirituality, culture, arts at Durgamma, Krishnamma's abode. Various programs will be taken up at Punnami Ghat, Makineni Basavapunnaiah Stadium, Siddhartha Pharma College, Pavitra Sangamam areas. Along with laser shows, drone shows, cracker shows, live bands, musical concerts, artists, singers recognized

across country will participate. AP Cultural Corporation Chairperson Tejaswini said providing special platform for local artists, about 40 to 45 types of folk, traditional art forms will be displayed.While competitions will be conducted in various categories from 8th to 12th of this month, programs have been designed for large participation of students, youth, women, family members. Closing ceremony to be held on 20th of this month will be special attraction.

Bonda Siddhartha revealed that huge carnival will be conducted on Eluru Road with three elephants, replicas of nine avatars of Goddess and about four thousand artists. He said Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu will attend closing ceremony.Organizers said Vijayawada Utsav-2.0 is being conducted grandly under leadership of Vijayawada MP Kesineni Sivanath, Central MLA Bonda Uma Maheshwara Rao. They said this festival will be a key step towards shaping Vijayawada as city of festivals, main venue for art-cultural programs. Organizers requested city people, youth, women, students, family members to participate in large numbers and make festivities successful.

Crucial hearing in Supreme Court on AP local elections

Elections only after SIR completion.. YCP petition
Suspense over Friday verdict.. Clarity on election schedule



Adhwaitha, Delhi October 5:Legal battle continues over conduct of local body elections in AP, ward reorganization, and Comprehensive Information Collection (SIR) process. AP High Court gave permission to take forward ward division process of municipal local bodies as well as to conduct elections. In this backdrop, hearing on petition filed by YCP in Supreme Court challenging that verdict has been adjourned to Friday. YCP leader Lella Appireddy filed petition seeking directions to conduct local body elections only after SIR process is completed. In this petition, State Election Commission has been made main respondent.As local election schedule is likely to be released anytime, YCP lawyer specially mentioned before CJI bench to take up urgent hearing on petition. Responding to this, CJI Justice Surya Kant bench said

another petition related to same issue is also pending. On this occasion, Supreme Court reportedly commented that municipality boundaries freezing rules will not apply to ward division. Stating that it will consider urgent hearing request, bench adjourned next hearing to Friday.At same time, petition filed by AP government on BC reservations issue is also going to come before Supreme Court on Friday itself. Hence Supreme Court's stand on local body election schedule, ward reorganization, SIR process, BC reservations is going to become crucial. Based on orders to be issued in hearing to be held on Friday, there is chance of clarity on which direction local election process in AP will proceed.

Sameera Reddy shares candid mother-son moment from Goa

Mumbai: Actress Sameera Reddy gave her followers a glimpse of a candid mother-son moment as she shared a video of herself driving through Goa. Taking to her social media account, Sameera posted a shot by her little son, Hans, and praised him for capturing her in his own stylish way. Sharing the clip, she wrote, “My son takes the coolest videos of his mama.” In the video, Sameera can be seen behind the wheel of her car, wearing a colourful, multi-coloured printed outfit. She completed her look with sunglasses and kept her hair open as she drove, with her seatbelt fastened. For the uninitiated, Sameera and her husband Akshai Varde moved from Mumbai to Goa in 2020, during the pandemic. What was initially intended as a temporary escape from Mumbai eventually turned into a permanent setup. Sameera has often spoken about how the slower pace and proximity to nature in Goa have helped her find greater balance and made her a calmer mother and human. Sameera continues to travel to Mumbai and other cities for professional commitments. Sameera, who made her Bollywood debut in the early 2000s, has featured in films including Darna Mana Hai, Musafir, Taxi No. 9211, Race and De Dana Dan. In recent years, she has carved out a different identity for herself on social media and has embraced an approach to discussing motherhood, parenting, body image and mental



health. Her own experience with postpartum struggles played a major role in shaping this social media chapter. Sameera has spoken openly about postpartum depression, weight gain, loneliness and the pressure she felt to “bounce back” after motherhood. Her popular “Messy Mama” persona has further helped her connect with women who relate to the realities of motherhood rather than its often-perfect portrayal online. Her social media presence also became particularly popular during the lockdown, when she began sharing candid family content, including videos with her mother-in-law Manjari Varde. The duo’s “Sassy Saasu and Messy Mama” videos became a favourite among her followers.

Rakul Preet Singh denies link to income tax searches, calls reports ‘false’

Mumbai: Bollywood actress Rakul Preet Singh has addressed reports that linked her name to recent income tax searches. Taking to social media, the ‘Yaariyan’ actress on Monday clarified that she was not connected to the matter and sought to set the record straight. Rakul shared a note that read, “It’s heart-breaking to see that There’s a growing trend amongst the self styled online reporters & some main stream media journalists to sensationalise the news without verifying facts. Let’s therefore set the record straight once for all. The search was not pertaining to me.” “Let it be known that I am from the Armed Forces background & had no Godfather in the Industry. I have come up through sheer hardwork & as a responsible law abiding citizen have been paying my due taxes since the age of 20 years.” The actress added, “I am not involved in any kind of illegal Foreign remittance in personal capacity or on behalf of any Production house. I would also add here that I do not hold any Benami property on behalf of anyone anywhere in the country or abroad. Neither anyone has ever gifted me any property at anytime nor do I accept such expensive gifts as a principle.” “I urge all those who published these false, malicious and speculative reports to retract them and clarify the facts.



I understand that everyone running a media business however big has their own commercial pressures. But it cannot come at the cost of facts. And certainly not at the cost of someone’s reputation and livelihood.” The Income Tax Department had conducted searches at multiple locations reportedly linked to Rakul Preet Singh, her father-in-law and film producer Vashu Bhagnani, and Panorama Studios in Mumbai. The Mumbai Income Tax Department carried out searches at 12 locations as part of an investigation into suspected financial irregularities. Officials were reportedly looking into allegations that funds had been routed overseas under the pretext of financing film projects.

Rishab Shetty joins forces with Manjummel Boys director Chidambaram for two films

Bangalore: National Award-winning actor-filmmaker Rishab Shetty is to join hands with ace Malayalam director Chidambaram, best known for having directed the blockbuster ‘Manjummel Boys’, for two films. Of the two films, one will be a sports drama in Kannada. Interestingly, it is the sports drama which is to be made first. Sources say the film is currently in the pre-production stage and is expected to go on floors some time next year. The film will be produced by well known Malayalam film producer Shibu Thameens. Director Chidambaram has

carved a unique space with his unconventional storytelling and ability to build deeply human narratives. His collaboration with Rishab brings together two filmmakers and performers with a distinct understanding of rooted storytelling. For Rishab Shetty, the project marks an exciting new creative move as he continues to expand his slate across diverse genres.



Besties Neha Pendse, Amruta Khanvilkar, Sonali Khare recreate ‘ZNMD’ vibes on Italy girls' trip



Mumbai: Actresses Neha Pendse, Amruta Khanvilkar and Sonali Khare seem to be making the most of their girls' getaway in Italy, while giving fans major Zindagi Na Milegi Dobara vibes. The girls, from exploring the picturesque Dolomites to posing against stunning mountain landscapes and dancing together on the streets, have been documenting their memorable trip on social media. Neha shared a series of pictures from the holiday, including pictures with Amruta and Sonali against the breathtaking Dolomites. In one picture, the three friends are seen with their arms around each other while taking in the scenic European surroundings. Sharing the pictures, Neha wrote, “It was one random lunch when i mentioned dolomites and said I wanna go there. Girls said show us the place. I googled and they said.... then let’s go. That smooth, that undisputed. Pinching myself because I have arrived to my dream destination with my girls and make memories of a lifetime. Thank you for making this happen. Love you.”

The trio also channelled their inner Zindagi Na Milegi Dobara characters as they danced to “Senorita” during their Italian holiday. In a video shared by Amruta on her social media account, the three can be seen dancing together against the scenic Dolomites backdrop, enjoying the moment without a care in the world. The clip has since added another layer to their friendship-filled vacation. On the professional front, Amruta, Neha and Sonali are all established names in Marathi entertainment, while also having worked in Hindi projects. Amruta Khanvilkar is known for films such as Raazi, Malang and Chor Nikal Ke Bhaga, besides her extensive work in Marathi cinema and television. Neha Pendse has worked across Marathi and Hindi television and films, including May I Come In Madam? and Bhabiji Ghar Par Hain!. Meanwhile, Sonali Khare is a Marathi actress known for films such as Savarkhed Ek Gaon, Checkmate, Hrudayantar and MyLek, and for Hindi television appearances including Pyaar Ke Do Naam: Ek Raadha, Ek Shyaam.

Vishnu Manchu Calls for Industry-Wide System Against Deepfakes and Online Abuse

Hyderabad cinema: Dynamic Star and Movie Artistes Association (MAA) President Vishnu Manchu has strongly reacted to the recent AI deepfake controversy involving the manipulated version of the popular ‘Chuttamalle’ song featuring NTR and Janhvi Kapoor. Vishnu Manchu said the incident should not be treated as an isolated case but as a warning about the growing dangers of unchecked digital abuse and online anonymity.

Quoting Ram Pothineni’s observation, “They’re faceless, so they’re fearless,” Vishnu said the idea of Aadhaar-linked accountability for online identities deserves serious consideration. He stressed that freedom of expression must be protected, but anonymity should never become a tool to abuse, defame or deliberately target individuals. He also raised concerns over organised negativity targeting films, actors and filmmakers, drawing a distinction between genuine criticism and coordinated attempts to damage a film even before audiences get an opportunity to watch it.

Referring to Sundeep Kishan’s recent comments and The Paradise approaching the court before its release, Vishnu said: Behind every film are years of work, hundreds of families and producers risking enormous amounts of money.” He urged audiences to watch a film before forming an opinion and said everyone has the right to love it, dislike it or criticise it. However, filmmakers should



first be given the opportunity to present their work to the audience. **LET THE FILM RELEASE,**” he said. Vishnu also expressed concern over fan groups targeting one another, anonymous social media pages claiming neutrality, and accounts allegedly using actors’ photographs while engaging in activities those actors may not support. The cake is big enough for everyone to have a piece,” he said, stressing that the failure of one Telugu film does not mean the success of another. As MAA President, Vishnu revealed that the association is compiling information on accounts and networks repeatedly involved in targeted abuse and malicious campaigns, including those allegedly misusing actors’ photographs and identities. He clarified that the objective is not to suppress criticism, but to establish accountability. Vishnu further stressed that the latest deepfake controversy highlights the urgent need for an industry-wide system to prevent such incidents, protect individuals from digital abuse and ensure accountability in the online space.

Asian Games archery stars set for franchise battle as APL Season 2 begins in Hyderabad

Hyderabad: They stood together for India at the Asian Games. Now, they will line up on opposite sides. Fresh from a nine-medal haul, including five golds, at the Aichi-Nagoya Asian Games, India’s archery stars will turn their attention to franchise honors when the second season of the Archery Premier League (APL) begins in Hyderabad on October 8. That continental campaign produced individual breakthroughs and multiple gold medalists. Seventeen-year-old Kumkum Anil Mohod became the first Indian to win an individual Asian Games gold in recurve archery, while Jyothi Surekha Vennam helped India defend its women’s team gold and Sahil Rajesh Jadhav won two golds. In Hyderabad, they will carry that form into separate franchise squads, competing alongside and against some of the world’s leading archers. Running until October 18 at People’s Plaza on Necklace Road, APL Season 2 will feature 48 archers across six franchises, equally divided between men and women in recurve and compound events. The league’s 15-second shot clock adds another test, requiring archers to make quick decisions and deliver under pressure. Kumkum and Sahil will join forces for Chero Archers, with Danish

star Mathias Fullerton and two-time Olympian Atanu Das adding international and Indian experience. Their Asian Games success gives the franchise two in-form Indian contenders as it prepares to challenge for the title. Chola Chiefs will pair Asian Games double gold medallist Chikitha Taniparthi with Brazil’s Marcus D’Almeida. Four-time Olympian Deepika Kumari and World Championships silver medallist Rajat Chauhan further strengthen a squad that combines emerging talent with established names. Defending champions Rajputana Royals will look to retain their crown with Tokyo Olympic champion Mete Gazoz and British compound star Ella Gibson. Asian Games gold medallist Ankita Bhakat, former world champion Ojas Pravin Deotale and Kushal Dalal add depth to their title defence. Archery Premier League Director Anil Kamineni said, “India’s Asian Games success gives the second season an exciting backdrop. Fans will now see those medallists compete across rival franchises, alongside some of the best archers in the world. The quality of the squads and the demands of the 15-second format should make for a closely contested league, while giving Indian archers another valuable competitive opportunity.”

India fined 20 pc, West Indies 10 pc for slow over-rates in final ODI



Hyderabad: India have been fined 20 per cent of their match fee and the West Indies have been fined 10 per cent of their match fee for maintaining slow over-rates during the final ODI of their three-match series played in New Chandigarh on Saturday. Prakash Bhatt of the Emirates ICC International Panel of Match Referees imposed the sanctions after India were ruled to be four overs short and the West Indies were ruled to be two overs short after time allowances were taken into consideration.

In accordance with Article 2.22 of the ICC Code of Conduct for Players and Players Support Personnel, which relates to minimum over-rate offences, players are fined five per cent of their match fee for every over their side fails to bowl in the allotted time. Both captains pled guilty and accepted the proposed sanctions, so there was no need for formal hearings. On-field umpires Jayaraman Madanagopal and Sam Nogajski, third umpire Sharfuddoula Ibne Shahid and fourth umpire Virender Sharma levelled the charges.

England to play 50-over warm-up match against WA XI at iconic WACA Ground

Perth: England will gear up for their upcoming white-ball series against Australia by playing in a 50-over warm-up match against a Western Australia XI at the historic WACA Ground on November 7. The fixture, starting at 11:30 AM local time, serves as England's primary preparation before they kick off their ODI series against Australia at the nearby Perth Stadium on November 13. Tickets for the 50-over clash will be on sale from Tuesday morning. The encounter marks the return of an official England side to the iconic WACA Ground for the first time since the 2017/18 Ashes series, when the tourists similarly faced a local WA XI during their lead-up to the marquee tour. That 2017 fixture saw all-rounder Aaron Hardie, then an uncapped 18-year-



old all-rounder, burst into the limelight by dismissing England star Joe Root and James Vince in the same over, while a 19-year-old Lance Morris removed opener Mark Stoneman. The visiting side is expected to feature a star-studded squad, including Root, white-ball captain Harry Brook, premier fast bowler Jofra Archer, and exciting left-handed batter Jacob

Swiatek survives Vekic scare, rallies to reach China Open last 16



Beijing: Six-time Grand Slam champion Iga Swiatek mounted a stellar comeback from a set and two breaks down to defeat 30th-seeded Donna Vekic in the round of 32 at the China Open here on Monday. Swiatek had lost the first set 4-6 and was 2-5 down in the second, staring down the barrel. However, the Pole produced an epic comeback to win the match 4-6, 7-6 (0), 6-2 and storm into the round of 16. “I was just really pissed,” Swiatek told broadcasters following the win when asked how she felt after going a set down. “I thought I wasn’t playing bad, but for sure it wasn’t enough. I made some mistakes. I was just angry. I wanted to change something. Clearly, it wasn’t working. The beginning of the second set was tough. Later on, I figured it out. I’m really happy about that.” Swiatek had lost her serve in the third game of the match and could not find a way to break Vekic.

The eighth-seeded Pole eventually lost the first set 4-6. Her hopes of a comeback were in further trouble when she lost her serve twice in the second set to fall 2-5 behind. However, she found her top game and broke the Croatian twice to level the set at 5-5. Both players held serve as the second set went into a tie-break, and Swiatek dominated it to clinch the set without dropping a point. By this time, she had the momentum. Both players began the third set with a break of serve each, but the Pole got another break at 3-2 and did not look back. She held serve and broke Vekic again to take the third set 6-2 and complete an epic comeback win in two hours and 40 minutes. Swiatek will now face Iva Jovic next. Jovic defeated Kamilla Rakhimova 6-1, 7-5 in her round-of-32 clash. But it would take some doing for the American to stop Swiatek, who was the 2023 champion in Beijing.

Masters Cricket Association of Hyderabad launched to promote veterans’ cricket



Hyderabad: The Masters Cricket Association of Hyderabad (MCAH) has been launched to provide cricket enthusiasts and former aspiring cricketers, who could not pursue the sport professionally and have since settled in various fields, an opportunity to showcase their cricketing talent, said MCAH President S.P. Reddy. The announcement of the MCAH office-

bearers and the unveiling of the Renova Masters Super Cricket League (MSL) trophy were held in a grand manner on at SLN Terminus, Marriott, Gachibowli, Hyderabad. Film actor Ali formally inaugurated the event. “The common DNA that unites all of us is cricket. The journey that has begun under the MCAH banner should be taken to the international level with the collective efforts of all members. We aspire to take the MSL beyond Hyderabad and eventually provide a platform for matches at international venues,” the president said. HCA Joint Secretary T. Basavaraju and TG20 Chairman V. Agam Rao assured the association of their full support and cooperation for the development of cricket, both personally and through HCA. They also wished all the participating players the very best for the league. Later, film actor Ali unveiled the trophy of the Renova Masters Super Cricket League (MSL). The five-day league will commence on October 7 at Prime Arena on the outskirts of Hyderabad. Seven teams — KLR Transformers, Maa Spaces, Raging Bulls, Juper LED Bullets, Suncrest Warriors, Terminus and Reet Mavericks will compete in the tournament. The MSL final will be played on October 11.

Bethell. “We are thrilled to welcome England back to the WACA Ground for what promises to be a fantastic day of cricket. It is a special opportunity to see some of the world's best white-ball players, and to prove the strength of our elite cricket programs here in WA. “As competitive as a warm-up match is likely to be, it is also a brilliant opportunity to showcase our outstanding venue,” said WA Cricket Chief Executive Officer John Stephenson. WA Men's Head Coach Beau Casson said the fixture’s importance is huge for local players aiming to measure themselves against a top-tier international side. “We are very eager to test ourselves against the best, and a hit-out against England certainly provides that opportunity.

Gold falls 1 pc, silver trades higher amid geopolitical risks



Mumbai: Gold and silver showed mixed performance on Monday as the yellow metal fell 1 per cent, while silver gained amid movements in the US dollar and geopolitical uncertainty. On the Multi Commodity Exchange, gold futures (December) were trading at Rs 1,49,184 per 10 grams at around 10 am, a decrease of Rs 1,206 or 0.8 per cent, from the previous close. The yellow slipped as much as 1.02 per cent or Rs 1,540 to Rs 1,48,850, hitting an intraday low so far. It touched an intraday high of Rs 1,51,197, an increase of 0.53 per cent or Rs 807. Meanwhile, silver futures (December) showed the opposite trend, jumping as much as 0.49 per cent or Rs 1,122 to hit an intraday high of Rs 2,26,999 on the commodity exchange. At the last count, the white metal was trading at Rs 226,340 per kg, up Rs 463 or 0.2 per cent from the previous close. Earlier in the day, gold and silver opened at Rs 1,51,197 and Rs 2,25,900, respectively. Commodity Analysts said gold's decline below Rs 150,000 has turned that level into an immediate resistance zone with resistance seen at Rs 151,000-151,600 and then Rs

152,500-153,000. On the downside, support for gold is seen at Rs 148,000-147,300, followed by Rs 146,000-145,300. The technical outlook for gold remains cautious with the Relative Strength Index at 43 and the Moving Average Convergence Divergence indicator in negative territory. Analysts said a sustained move above Rs 150,000 would be needed to stabilise the contract, while a break below Rs 148,000 could expose it to Rs 146,000. Meanwhile, silver is outperforming gold and holding above the Rs 224,000 support zone. Analysts see immediate resistance at Rs 227,000-228,000, followed by Rs 231,000-232,000. A sustained move above Rs 228,000 could strengthen silver's recovery, while a break below Rs 224,000 could drag it towards Rs 220,000. The divergence in domestic prices mirrors international markets, where silver has been outperforming gold. Moreover, geopolitical developments remain a key factor for bullion markets. US President Donald Trump last week said Washington faced a choice between further military action against Iran and reaching a deal with Tehran.

Festive Season Two-Wheeler Loan Trends: What the Data Shows About Demand Spikes

With the 2026 festive season coming up, demand for two-wheelers is already picking up. Looking at last year can help us understand what this means for financing. According to TransUnion CIBIL, the average daily demand for two-wheeler loans during the 2025 festive season reached an index of 272, compared to a baseline of 100 from January to June 2025. This was also higher than the festive season index of 249 in 2024. The data shows there is a clear jump in two-wheeler loan demand during the festive season. In this blog, we explore what drives these spikes, how loan demand changes during the season, and what to consider before applying for a two-wheeler loan. Why do two-wheeler loan applications surge during festivals? The following pointers explain why bike loan applications surge during festivals: Cultural Beliefs According to Indian cultural beliefs, making purchases during auspicious muhurat (timings) is important. Since these auspicious timings naturally fall during the festive season, many buyers choose to make a purchase then and apply for a loan to finance it. Also Read India's economy strong; energy security, manufacturing jobs key to lasting growth: Tata Sons Chairman Advertisement Manufacturer Discounts Almost all automobile manufacturers in India introduce festive special discounts and deals to boost sales and revenue. To



make the most of these, many buyers choose to purchase bikes during this period, contributing to an increase in bike loan applications. Bank Offers Keeping the festive buying season in mind, leading banks like IDFC FIRST Bank offer bike loans at competitive interest rates and quick approval in 2 minutes. Buyers who want to take advantage of this apply for loans during this timeframe. Historical festive season demand patterns Sales data show that demand for two-wheelers rises during the festive season. FADA reports that two-wheeler retail sales rose 22% during the 42-day festive period in 2025, up from 13.79% in the same period in 2024. FADA also noted especially strong demand around Dussehra and Diwali, driven by festive buying, better affordability, and higher rural demand. The data indicates that festive periods can create a significant seasonal uplift in two-wheeler financing demand. The extent of this increase can vary depending on factors such as lender offers, interest rates, vehicle affordability and overall consumer sentiment.

India's economy strong; energy security, manufacturing jobs key to lasting growth: Tata Sons Chairman

New Delhi: India's economy is robust in a world that is uncertain and difficult, and multiple indicators show that the country is in a stable and strong place, Tata Sons Chairman N Chandrasekaran said on Monday and highlighted that energy security, advanced manufacturing jobs and investments in human capital will be "critical" for sustaining long-term growth. He noted that the Viksit Bharat 2047 vision has percolated across multiple sectors in the country. Delivering on the vision will require inclusive and sustainable development, built on world-class infrastructure, institutions and intellectual property, he said. The Tata Sons Chairman also emphasised the importance of focusing on quality and moving from current assembly-led growth to an end-to-end full product range of capabilities. "Viksit Bharat 2047 vision of Prime Minister has percolated across multiple disciplines in all parts of the country. But to execute that vision is going to require inclusive, sustainable development by creating world-class infrastructure, institutions and intellectual property. All three will be critical," he said, addressing the Indian Foundation for Quality Management (IFQM) Symposium 2026.

Chandrasekaran -- who was recently handed his third five-year term at the helm as Tata Sons Chairman amid an intense boardroom battle -- further said the Indian economy is doing very well and, over the last several years, has consistently exceeded expectations by posting the highest growth "in a world that is uncertain and difficult". India's growth is backed by strong domestic demand, services exports and an enabling policy environment, he said, observing that fundamentals remain strong. He also pointed to double-digit demand in high-frequency indicators like auto sales, credit growth, as well as power and cement sectors. The overall economy is robust, he said, citing multiple parameters such as current account deficit consistently below one per cent of GDP, strong services exports and forex reserves, and low bank NPAs, all of which show India is in a "stable and strong place". He added that sustaining growth over a long period will require more measures, and drew attention to energy security, advanced and precision manufacturing jobs, and investments in human capital. These, he said, will be "critical" for sustaining long-term growth. "Energy security must be ensured because that is going to be fundamental for growth. Second, manufacturing jobs... advanced manufacturing jobs, precision manufacturing jobs...because we need to shift from a low-productivity agricultural workforce to highly-productive manufacturing and modern services with the right investments



in all the areas," he said. Chandrasekaran also stressed on the importance of investments in human resources, be it education or skill development. Citing the example of Toyota, Chandrasekaran said the Japanese auto giant never looked at quality as just a mere outcome, but as a driver of innovation and competitive edge at the same time. "Quality is definitely important to produce the outcome that we want... But it became a key driver for innovation, productivity and competitiveness for Toyota," he said. Nations such as Germany transformed their national competitive advantage by focusing on quality. "Be it in terms of engineering of their products or defining standards, precision or building their entire supplier and SME or the middle strand ecosystem... I think in India, we need such a transformation," he said.

He also urged the Indian manufacturers to integrate sustainable manufacturing processes, besides quality and other factors. It has to "get embedded in our whole manufacturing ambition," he pointed out. Chandrasekaran hoped that the process will create a strong leadership of not only big companies, but also for middle strand ecosystem. It will also create experts who will act as a force multiplier by not only helping the country, but becoming a global voice in shaping the future of how these products are made. Pointing to Tata Group's diverse operations from automotive to aerospace, he said that the conglomerate is also making big investments, including in telecom infrastructure. "But what we need to do is to ask the question: how do we seriously move from the current assembly-led growth to an end-to-end domestic capability? It is very important to build the assembly-led growth, and that is going to lead to creating a strong SME segment," he said. From there, moving to end-to-end full product, and building a range of capabilities is going to require investments into R&D, creation of intellectual property and being in tune with the market. "... To build not only the products, but the equipment that are necessary....and skill sets that we need to create, focus on vocational skills and use quality at the centre of everything, so that it is not seen only as ensuring a product outcome but used as a mechanism, tool for innovation, productivity and competitiveness," he said.

RBI liquidity tightening likely to push five-year bond yield towards 7 per-cent

New Delhi: India's government bond yield curve is expected to flatten further as the Reserve Bank of India steps up liquidity withdrawals, prompting some investors to favour 10-year paper over five-year paper, a report has said. The report from NDTV Profit, citing analysts, said the gap between five- and 10-year yields is expected to shrink as the RBI drains surplus cash from the banking system, putting upward pressure on shorter-dated yields. The five-year benchmark yield, trading around 6.94 per cent, could rise to 7 per cent if the central bank maintains an aggressive policy-tightening stance, the report cited ICICI Securities Primary Dealership as saying. Analysts said the



short end should see further flattening as the RBI steers overnight rates near or above the repo rate to ensure effective transmission. They expect the five- to 10-year gap could narrow to as little as 10 bps, and the curve could turn flat or mildly inverted if overnight rates move meaningfully above the repo rate.

Invitation to Eminent Personalities for Vijayawada Utsav-2.0!

Invitation to Union Ministers for Vijayawada Utsav-2.0
Invitation to Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Kishan Reddy
Invitation also to Delhi CM Rekha Gupta



Vijayawada Utsav from October 11 to 20 Adhwaitha, Vijayawada October 5: Vijayawada: Vijayawada MP Kesineni Chinni invited Union Ministers Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Kishan Reddy along with Delhi Chief Minister Rekha Gupta to Dasara Sharannavaratri festivities being grandly conducted in city and Vijayawada Utsav-2.0 programs. Kesineni Chinni along with NTR District In-charge, State Health Minister Satya Kumar Yadav, MP Harish Balayogi met them and handed over invitation for festivities. He requested Union Ministers as well as Delhi CM to have darshan of Goddess Sri Kanaka Durga seated on Indrakeeladri and get divine blessings as well as to personally experience special culture, traditions, spiritual, artistic grandeur of Vijayawada city. Arrangements are being made to conduct Vijayawada Utsav-2.0 from October 11 to 20. Or-



ganizers revealed that various programs will be conducted at Punnami Ghat, Makineni Basavapunnaiyah Stadium, Siddhartha College premises. Process of inviting eminent personalities, public representatives from across country to Vijayawada Utsav-2.0 is continuing. State Tourism Minister said as per Chief Minister Chandrababu's directions, Chief Ministers of other states, industrialists are also being invited to festivities. In this backdrop, Kesineni Chinni, Satya Kumar Yadav, Harish Balayogi together inviting Union Ministers as well as Delhi CM has gained importance. Arrangements are underway with aim of conducting festivities to showcase spiritual, cultural grandeur of Vijayawada at national level.

Honor for New Way to Read the Brain

Announcement of 2026 Medicine Nobel Prizes
Nobel in Medicine for three persons
Scientists who did key research on brain



Adhwaitha, October 5: Stockholm: Revolutionary technology that controls neurons in brain with light has received world's highest recognition. Nobel Prize in Medicine for this year has been announced for Karl Deisseroth, Peter Hegemann, Georg Nagel who made remarkable contribution to development of Optogenetics which understands functioning of nerve cells in brain with help of light. In Nobel Prize announcements that started on Monday, these three names were announced first in medical category. Through researches of Hegemann, Nagel, Rhodopsin protein responsive to light in algae was identified. They proved that when light falls, this protein causes electrical changes in cells. Subsequently Deisseroth used these light-responsive proteins in neurons and showed that specific nerve cells can be precisely turned on or off through light. With this, scientists got powerful tool to study how neurons in brain control

key processes like movement, memory, emotions, behavior. From 1901 till now, 116 Nobel Prizes have been announced in Medicine, 232 scientists have received this honor. Frederick Banting as youngest person to receive Nobel in Medicine received this prize at age of 32. Peyton Rous as person who received medical Nobel at oldest age got this honor at age of 87. With latest prize, importance of Optogenetics in brain researches has once again received global recognition.

Lokesh Praises Jyothi Surekha

Lokesh congratulates Golden Surekha
Archer who proved mettle with gold in Asian Games
2028 Olympics medal is target..
Adhwaitha, Undavalli October 5: Prominent archer Vennam Jyothi Surekha who won gold medal in Archery Compound Women's Team category in Asian Games-2026 held in Japan met Minister Nara Lokesh at Undavalli on Monday along with her father Surendra Kumar. On this

Focus on Future of Youth

Rajkumar's service spirit memorable: Bonda Uma
Books, educational material distributed to 300 poor students
Park to be set up in name of Rajkumar
MLA Bonda Uma congratulates family

Adhwaitha, Vijayawada October 5: Vijayawada: Government Whip, Vijayawada Central MLA Bonda Uma Maheswara Rao said conducting service programs every year in memory of youth Vatte Rajkumar is commendable. MLA distributed books, fruits, other material needed for education to 300 poor students in service program conducted on Monday under auspices of RK Charitable Trust at UDA Colony Main Road in 63rd Division. He said it is painful to lose Rajkumar at young age, and it is great to continue his memories in form of service programs and take up programs useful to society. Bonda Uma congratulated Vatte Venkateswara Rao family who is setting up park in name of Rajkumar in 63rd Division and providing playthings needed for children, other facilities at own expense. He said it is exemplary to turn same memory into path of social service instead of leaving personal tragedy as just sorrow. He praised that by providing books, fruits, educational material every year to poor students, they are encouraging their studies. He requested to continue service programs being taken up in memory of Rajkumar in future too and stand as support to more poor people. Bonda Uma



suggested youth, students to act responsibly keeping their future in view. He called to stay away from road accidents, other accidents and make best use of valuable life. He suggested to focus on positive aspects like education, skill development, sports, social service to fulfill aspirations of parents. Central Constituency Coordinator Navaneetham Sambasivarao, Vatte Chandu, former Corporator Paidi Tulasi, Division President Labba Vaikuntham and others participated in program.

Support for Poor: Bonda Uma

Fight against poverty.. Bonda Uma assurance for poor!
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Essential commodities distributed to 30 poor women
We will make Vijayawada Central poverty-free



Adhwaitha, Vijayawada October 5: Vijayawada: Government Whip, Vijayawada Central MLA Bonda Uma Maheswara Rao said government will stand by poor families. Essential commodities, rice, vegetables were distributed to widows, poor women under auspices of Muslim Samakhya Vedika at Chuttukunta in 26th Division. Bonda Uma participated in program and personally handed over commodities. Bonda

Uma called upon voluntary organizations, donors to come forward to help poor. He said it is commendable that Muslim Samakhya Vedika provided help to about 30 poor women identified in Mana Division-Mana Badhyata program. He said with programs like P-4 they are providing livelihood to poor families and they will strive to make Vijayawada Central a poverty-free constituency.

is commendable that she is showcasing her talent on international platform and making Indian tricolor flutter. He said her victories in sports field are inspirational for youth. Lokesh wished that she should continue training with more determination with aim of winning medal in upcoming 2028 Olympics. He assured that government will provide all kinds of cooperation, support to Jyothi Surekha in that direction. He requested her to achieve more victories at international level and enhance glory of country.