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PM Modi extends warm wishes on Anshula & Rohan's wedding: Boney Kapoor expresses gratitude



New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi penned a congratulatory letter for the Kapoor family on the wedding of filmmaker Boney Kapoor's daughter Anshula and Rohan Thakkar on July 6. Dating back to July 3, the letter by PM Modi read, 'Shri Boney Kapoor Ji, As Sou. Anshula and Chi. Rohan commence the journey of trust and togetherness for a lifetime, heartiest congratulations and greetings to them on the auspicious occasion of their wedding. Heartfelt gratitude for inviting me to the wedding ceremony being held on 06 July, 2026. As the couple build a life together, may the joy they find in each other grow brighter every day and the bond between the two remain unbreakable. May they journey through life as true partners, accepting each other's imperfections and growing through each other's strengths. Once again, I extend my warmest greetings and best wishes to the Kapoor family on this special and momentous occasion. Warm regards, Narendra Modi (sic).' Overwhelmed by the heartfelt wishes from PM Modi, Boney shared the letter on his official Instagram handle and expressed his gratitude in the caption, saying, "Heartfelt gratitude to our inspirational and Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi ji for your warmest wishes and altruistic blessings to Anshula and Rohan on their auspicious wedding. Your benevolent blessings have made this joyous occasion

New Delhi: The Catholic Bishops' Conference of India (CBCI) on Friday urged Home Minister Amit Shah to withdraw the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2026 and the recently notified rules, stressing that both be re-drafted after wider consultation with stakeholders. The CBCI submitted a memorandum to Shah, raising concerns over the proposed FCRA Bill, 2026, religious freedom, the rights of Scheduled Caste (SC) Christians and the humanitarian crisis in Manipur. The memorandum, signed by CBCI president Cardinal Anthony Poola and CBCI secretary general Archbishop Anil Couto, was handed to Shah when the delegation met him here. The CBCI expressed concern over the proposed amendments to the FCRA and said some of the proposed provisions could affect charitable institutions that have served poor and vulnerable communities

for decades. The Conference urged the government to withdraw the proposed Amendment Bill and the recently notified Rules. It requested that both be redrafted after wider consultation with stakeholders, a CBCI statement said. It said any changes to the law should apply only in the future. They should not affect existing rights, legally acquired assets or ongoing charitable work. It called for independent judicial oversight in FCRA cases. It also sought safeguards before the government can take over or transfer the assets of an institution. The memorandum said there should be a clear distinction between minor procedural lapses and serious offences. It said charitable assets should continue to be used according to the intentions of donors. The memorandum also raised concerns over various state freedom of religion Acts. It alleged that there was a continued denial of SC sta-



tus to Christians and other religious minorities of SC origin under the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order, 1950. Noting that these matters are pending before the Supreme Court, the CBCI appealed for an early hearing and final judgment. It said the delay continues to affect the dignity, equality and constitutional rights of millions of citizens and creates uncertainty among minority communities. The CBCI also highlighted the continuing humanitarian crisis in Manipur and said

thousands of farming families have lost their livelihoods. Many students have faced disruption to their education, while several families have left the state in search of safety, education and employment, the CBCI said. The Conference appealed to the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) to take urgent steps to restore lasting peace, communal harmony and normalcy in Manipur. It also reaffirmed the Church's willingness to work with the government in promoting reconciliation, humanitarian assis-

tance and social healing. Congress general secretary KC Venugopal attacked the BJP over the issue after the CBCI submitted its memorandum. "In typical BJP fashion, HM Amit Shah has lied to the CBCI about FCRA and is wrongly deflecting blame to hide his government's culpability in weaponising the FCRA laws. In reality, the Modi government has been hell bent on using the FCRA to harass vocal civil society organisations and minority-run institutions and take over their properties," Venugopal said on X. In 2020, they severely tightened FCRA rules to increase the time period for which organisations can be suspended, gave greater powers to the Centre to scrutinise them, and even limited their administrative expenses, essentially crippling them from carrying out their routine activities, the Congress leader alleged. "In 2026, first they sought to amend the FCRA legislation to

give the Centre powers to seize properties of recipient organisations and also brought in provisions of 'deemed cessation' of licences. After widespread opposition, they withdrew these amendments only to re-introduce them through the backdoor as delegated legislation," he said.. In these new rules, they are also preventing organisations from changing their scope of work or geography, and bringing in ideological scrutiny to disallow those who oppose them, he claimed. "I challenge the Home Minister to show if any of these low-trust, vindictive measures were part of the FCRA in 2010 when the UPA brought it in. These are all measures introduced by a fascist regime that wants to destroy the civil society space through its harsh and regressive control," Venugopal said. "The Home Minister must stop misleading the CBCI, eminent personalities and the general public.

Telangana polls to be delayed due to delimitation: Revanth

Hyderabad: Telangana Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy on Friday, July 10, predicted that the next Assembly elections may not take place in 2028 as per schedule but in May-June 2029 following delimitation of constituencies. The Congress would return to power by winning over 117 of the 182 Assembly constituencies post-delimitation, he said. Addressing a public meeting in Khammam district where he released funds under the 'Rythu Bharosa' investment support scheme for farmers, he alleged that the NDA government at the Centre is making relentless efforts to get the delimitation bill (defeated in April)

passed in the coming monsoon session of parliament. "We are witnessing the political developments at the Centre. We saw (Prime Minister) Narendra Modi and Amit Shah splitting Mamata Banerjee's party, AAP and making other parties surrender. They are trying to get the bill passed to increase seats as they wished, either by threatening or making others surrender. They may win in this sin," he said. He forecast that the next Assembly elections in Telangana would not happen in December, 2028 as per schedule but in May-June, 2029. He said the 119 Assembly seats in Telangana would rise to 182, while



the number of Lok Sabha constituencies would increase to 26 from 17. The Congress would form government in Telangana for the second time by winning over 117 Assembly seats.

Andhra Pradesh Cabinet Approves Major Initiatives on Social Media Regulation, Investments, and Amaravati Development

Andhra Pradesh: The Andhra Pradesh Cabinet, chaired by Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu, held a significant meeting on Friday and gave its nod to several key decisions aimed at boosting economic growth, attracting investments, strengthening welfare schemes, and curbing social media misuse. Briefing the media after the meeting, Minister Koluasu Parthasarathy said the government views social media misuse as a serious societal issue that is causing more harm than good. He announced strict measures to tackle defamation, hate propaganda, and harassment, particularly against women. Key Decisions on Social Media Regulation The Cabinet approved the formation of: A State-level Social Media Response Cell.



A State-level Task Force to monitor and curb misuse and hate speech. Procurement of advanced forensic tools to identify handles spreading hatred. Special training for Station House Officers (SHOs) in handling social media cases and appointment of cyber-savvy Public Prosecutors. A study of laws in other countries to explore a possible dedicated legislation if needed. Green Signal to Massive Investments The Cabinet

cleared 13 investment proposals recommended by the State Investment Promotion Board (SIPB) worth ₹31,431 crore. These projects are expected to generate direct and indirect employment for around 31,431 people. A major highlight is the Mondelez India Foods chocolate manufacturing unit to be set up in Sri City, Tirupati district, with an investment of ₹1,801 crore. Another notable project is SAF India, which will con-

Telangana: MoS Bandi Sanjay slams Cong govt for 'protecting' Owaisi's institution

Hyderabad: The Minister of State (MoS) for Home Affairs, Bandi Sanjay Kumar, on Friday accused the Congress government in Telangana of trying to protect Barrister Fatima Owaisi Educational Campus allegedly constructed in a lake in Hyderabad. Bandi Sanjay said that the Congress government can bulldoze the homes of poor in the name of Hyderabad Disaster Response and Asset Protection Agency (HY-DRAA) but failed to notice an alleged encroachment by leaders of its friendly party -- All India Majlis-e-Ittehadul Muslimeen (AIMIM). "The entire world can see that Owaisi's college stands on a lake, yet the Congress government continues to pretend otherwise. They can bulldoze the homes of the poor

CM Vijay hands over job orders to kin of Karur stampede victims, says tragedy remains unhealed wound

Karur: Tamil Nadu Chief Minister C. Joseph Vijay on Friday handed over compassionate appointment orders to the members of families who lost their loved ones in the Karur stampede, describing the tragedy as an "unhealed wound" that continues to weigh heavily on his heart. The stampede occurred on September 27 last year, on the eve of the Tamil Nadu Assembly election, during a TVK election campaign rally in Karur. Forty-one people were killed in the incident. A Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) probe into the tragedy is currently underway. Following the incident, the Tamil Nadu government announced an ex gratia payment of Rs 10 lakh to each bereaved family, while the TVK extended an additional compensation of Rs 20 lakh. As part of

the government's rehabilitation measures, the Chief Minister visited Karur to distribute compassionate appointment orders to eligible family members of the victims. During a function held at the Atlas Arena, CM Vijay presented appointment orders to one member from each of the 32 affected families, with jobs offered as per the educational qualifications of the beneficiaries. The event coincided with proceedings before the Madurai Bench of the Madras High Court, where a petition challenging the government's decision to provide permanent government jobs to the victims' families came up for hearing. The court directed that the beneficiaries could, for the present, be offered temporary appointments. Addressing the gathering, an emotional Vijay said



the pain caused by the Karur tragedy had never left him. "My heartfelt greetings to all my brothers and sisters of Karur who live in my heart. No matter how high a person rises in life, the wounds and pain in the heart can never be forgotten. I stand before you today after overcoming many hardships and emotional scars," he said.

Assam: Any man practising polygamy to lose govt jobs, benefits

Guwahati: The Assam budget on Friday, July 10, proposed that persons practising polygamy will not be eligible for benefits under state-run welfare schemes, while government employees found guilty of the practice will face dismissal. Presenting his maiden Budget, state Finance Minister Jayanta Malla Baruah said welfare measures should not only reach the deserving but also enforce "inclusivity, integrity and moral ethos" in society. "Speaker Sir, in order to promote women's empowerment and gender justice, any male practising polygamy shall not be eligible to avail benefits under any government welfare scheme," Baruah said. The budget proposed amending the Assam Services (Discipline and Appeal) Rules, 1964, to provide that any government servant found to have practised polygamy shall be



liable for dismissal from service, in accordance with law. Proposed to promote integrity, responsible citizenship "To promote integrity and responsible citizenship, I propose that any person convicted of an offence under any criminal law shall not be eligible to avail benefits under notified

government welfare schemes," Baruah said. Since a regular budget was not available during the election process, the government shall resume the basket of welfare schemes from August onwards, he added. "The August House will appreciate the introduction of an unprecedented basket

EDITORIAL

Tricks To Make

Those New Year Vows

“The past is a foreign country, they do things differently there,” novelist L.P. Hartley had pithily pronounced, leaving the reader to willy-nilly it about. Certainly, at no time is the distance between past and present more in evidence, at least in the popular imagination, than in the month of January, just after the previous year has ended and another begun with fanfare. Ironically, when this chasm we’ve conjured, this elaborate leap between one year and another, appears at its greatest, the past is, in fact, adjacent. Also Read - Manish Tewari | The Reasons Why India Needs An Open Budget Advertisement At the start of every newly-minted year, we ambitiously resolve to completely change ourselves, setting out to “do things differently” with a vengeance. Those who’ve never even twiddled their thumbs will aspire to baton-twirling. Cookie Monsters will go on extreme diets, allowing themselves only gulps of air as sustenance. Even the less deluded will decide to tackle something as the year starts, that was discarded in the last, parroting the insistence on transformative odysseys that make distant shores of our past. Also Read - Bhopinder Singh | Take Action Fast To Deter Nepal From Going The Bangladesh Way Discover more Sports news analysis Technology Gadgets electronics Technology news World news coverage Entertainment news digest Entertainment industry insights Hyderabad Breaking news alerts Investment advisory services Travel guides Hyderabad Only the mind-numbing mix of winter’s stretching shadows, post-festivity torpor, and our very human penchant for perpetual optimism, bamboozles us into believing we can change overnight, or that we need to! Merrily pulling the wool over our own eyes, in step with this shimmering season, we fervently want to believe what’s done is done (and dusted too), and clean breaks and cleaner slates are essential. Also Read - Cabbages & Kings | What’s Behind The Rush Among Brit Political Leaders To Defect To Reform? | Farrukh Dhondy Discover more Fashion accessories celebrity style Video news content Hyderabad news updates World news coverage Political commentary books Newspaper delivery service Education news Indian cuisine cookbooks Real estate investment advice Breaking news alerts But are they? How deep into January did your nuts-only-lunch/barefoot-hikes/ grinning-till-your-cheeks-smart last? It’s merely human to be epic-fails and try-hards, giving up on rock-climbing/fastidious-flossing/olive-branching, before a fortnight has passed. And though disappointing to quit so fast, it’s no surprise, having been there, done that, and put the wooden spoons away every year. So, why do it at all? Oh, there’s room for improvement in everyone, even at the stuff we’re spiffy at. We should undoubtedly strive to better ourselves.

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TNGOS UNION CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY OF DR. S.M. HUSSAINI MUJEEB WITH SERVICE ACTIVITIES



Hyderabad, July 11 (Khaja Moinuddin): The birthday of TNGOs Central Union General Secretary Dr. S.M. Hussaini Mujeeb was celebrated with various service-oriented programmes under the leadership of TNGOs Union Hyderabad District Associate President and TNGOs Union School Education Department Hyderabad District President K.R. Rajkumar, along with District Secretary M. Bhasker, on Friday. As part of the celebrations, breakfast packets were distributed to poor and needy people at Basavatarakam Cancer Hospital, Road No. 10, Hyderabad. The organisers also distributed books and pens to students of the Government Model Aliya School as part of an initiative to encourage education. A cake-cutting ceremony was later held at the Office of the District Edu-

cational Officer (DEO), Hyderabad District, in the presence of TNGOs Union Hyderabad District Vice President Shanker, APRO Waheed, ITI Satyanarayana, Balaji Gowsawmy, Mohammed, Osman Bhai, Ramakrishna, TNGOs Union School Education Department Vice President A. Rugesh, Public Secretary Feroz Ahmed, Executive Committee members Mujahid Ali, Priyadev Thakur and Moinuddin, along with Forum Joint Secretary Ramesh, Sudarshan, Organising Secretary Srinivas, Shekhar, Publicity Secretary Shiva, Aruna Jyothi, Akhil, Executive Committee member M. Yogender, Shiva, and several other union leaders and members. A large number of primary members, including G. Rajkumar, G. Srikanth, Rajender, Archana, Vijayalakshmi, Hymavathi, Praveena, Mirza,

Lavanya, Basheer, Manju, Owais, Suman, Imran, Renuka, Rani, Satish, Ramakanth, P. Srikanth, K. Hemavathi, Surya, Khaja Shoil Ahmed, Faiyaz Ali, Azmath, Swethi, Zakir, Jambaiiah, Krishna, Anil, Gousia, Chaitanya, Adinarayana, Venu, Jagdeesh, Kaleem, Shashank, Sowjanya, Sukanya, MDM Srikanth, Parmesh, Kushal, Ravi, Shanker, Sunitha, Poornima, Latha, Shashikala, Roshan, Laxmi, Marathamma, Praveen, Raju, Damodar, Jayaraj and Omsai, participated in the celebrations and extended their birthday wishes to Dr. Hussaini Mujeeb. The organisers stated that the celebrations were conducted with a spirit of social responsibility by combining the birthday programme with charitable activities benefiting patients, students and the underprivileged.

SP D Janaki Directed Speedy Disposal of Pending Cases, Timely CCTNS Updates and Strong Action Against Drugs & Cybercrime

MAHABUBNAGAR: Mahabubnagar District Superintendent of Police D Janaki, IPS, on Friday directed police officers to ensure there is no negligence in maintaining the Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems (CCTNS) and instructed that all case records be updated online within the prescribed timelines. She also stressed the need for a focused strategy to curb narcotics, cybercrime and road accidents while ensuring

prompt justice to victims through speedy investigation of pending cases. The directions were issued during the monthly crime review meeting held at the District Police Headquarters Conference Hall, attended by police officers and CCTNS operators from all police stations across the district. Reviewing the progress of pending investigations, the SP instructed officers to prioritize long-pending cases, complete all legal formalities

without delay and closely monitor investigations to ensure their early disposal. She emphasized that every officer must work responsibly to provide timely justice to victims. The SP also instructed officials to strictly maintain CCTNS records by uploading and updating all case details within the stipulated time. Giving top priority to the eradication of narcotics, she directed police officers to identify and take stringent

SAW MILL TIMBER MERCHANT ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS

kamareddy *****Saw mill Timber merchant Association Elections ***** Kamareddy District: Wajed Zeeshan was appointed as the new president of the Saw mill and Timber merchants Association today in the Kamareddy district headquarters. President Wajed said that there are 25 Saw mills and overall District there are 55 saw mills in Kamareddy district including Yellareddy, Banswada, Bichkunda. Association President wajed said that he will support everyone if any problems for the members of the association. For giving me this post. Saw mill Timber merchant Association President Wajed Zeeshan Vice President Sandeep, Secretary Nagaraju, Cashier Tamim, six committee member Azam sahab



and others saw mill owners from all over district participated in this program.

Transparent governance launched with Mee Aaram app



Nirmal :District Collector Bhavesh Mishra District Collector Bhavesh Mishra said that the 'Mee Aaram' app along with a comprehensive dashboard system to monitor the attendance and performance of government employees is being implemented to enhance transparency and accountability

in government departments and provide faster services to the people. He participated in the review meeting held at the Collectorate Conference Hall on Friday along with ESD Commissioner Ravikiran. Speaking on this occasion, the Collector said that 70-80 percent

of the services of revenue, Mee-Seva, medical, education and other departments will be integrated with this app and made available to the people on a single platform. He said that since various departments are currently recording employee attendance through different apps, steps are being taken to compile the attendance details of all departments in a single dashboard and monitor the attendance, performance and performance of employees from time to time. The Collector said that this system will be fully implemented by August 15 and Nirmal district will be made a model for the state in monitoring the attendance and performance of government employees. Additional Collector Kishore Kumar, EDM Nadeem, Tehsildars and officials participated in this meeting.

MY Bharat Organises Interaction of Hon'ble Governor of Telangana with Winners of Viksit Vibrant Villages Programme and Viksit Bharat Youth Parliament

Lokbhavan, Hyderabad | July 11, 2026* Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat), under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, organised an interaction between the Hon'ble Governor of Telangana and the winners of the *Viksit Vibrant Villages Programme (VVVP)* and *Viksit Bharat Youth Parliament (VBYP)* at *Lok Bhavan, Hyderabad*. A total of *18 participants, including *15 participants from the Viksit Vibrant Villages Programme (VVVP)* and *3 participants from the Viksit Bharat Youth Parliament (VBYP)*, participated in the interaction with the Hon'ble Governor. During the programme, the Hon'ble Governor inaugurated the *MY Bharat Intensive Registration & Awareness Drive* by unveiling the campaign poster. He appealed to the youth of Telangana to register on the MY Bharat platform and actively participate in its programmes and initiatives aimed at youth empowerment and nation-building. The participants of the Viksit Vibrant Villages Programme and Viksit Bharat Youth Parliament shared their



experiences and learnings with the Hon'ble Governor. Congratulating them on their achievements, the Hon'ble Governor encouraged the young participants to continue contributing towards the vision of *Viksit Bharat @2047*

through leadership, volunteerism, and community service. The programme was attended by *Smt. Snehal, Deputy Director; Shri G. Rajesh, Assistant Director; Shri Shashank, District Youth Officer,* and other officials of MY Bharat.

Jagga Reddy Says He Is Ready to Contest Against Harish Rao if Party Directs

Hyderabad, July 11 (Khaja Moinuddin): Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) Working President T. Jagga Reddy on Friday said he is prepared to contest from any constituency, including Siddipet against Harish Rao, if the Congress high command directs him to do so. Speaking informally with media persons at Gandhi Bhavan, Jagga Reddy said that party discipline is paramount and that he would contest wherever the Congress leadership assigns him within the erstwhile Medak district. Referring to Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy's statement at the Khammam public meeting that the Congress would win 117 Assembly seats in the next elections, Jagga Reddy said the announcement has boosted the morale of party workers despite the Assembly elections being nearly two-and-a-half years away. He said the Congress government has fulfilled its promise to farmers by releasing Rythu Bharosa financial assistance and is gradually implementing every election promise made to the people. Expressing confidence, he said the Congress would return to power for a second consecutive term. Criticising the BRS, Jagga Reddy alleged that the previous government failed to implement its election promises, which resulted in its defeat. He said

Chief Minister Revanth Reddy is only reiterating the commitments made by the Congress party. Expressing gratitude to the people of Sangareddy, Jagga Reddy said they had supported him throughout his political journey—from being elected as a councillor to becoming an MLA. He reiterated that he would always stand by his word and the trust reposed in him by the people. On the Sangareddy Assembly constituency, Jagga Reddy announced that TGIC Chairperson Nirmala Jagga Reddy would contest the next election from the constituency. He expressed confidence that no one could stop the Congress from winning Sangareddy and said she would serve two consecutive terms as MLA. He further stated that after Nirmala Jagga Reddy completes two terms, the party would hold consultations to decide whether his son or any deserving party leader or worker should contest in the future. He mentioned leaders such as Anjaneyulu, Santosh, Shafi, Ram Reddy and Prabhu among those who could be considered. Emphasising the importance of party organisation, Jagga Reddy said the Congress organisation, the PCC and the Chief Minister's leadership are crucial for the party's strength. He said individual ambitions should always remain secondary to the interests of the



organisation. He observed that for a first-time MLA, winning a second consecutive term is critical for political survival, adding that failing to secure re-election often makes it difficult to remain relevant in politics. Supporting Chief Minister Revanth Reddy's strategy for the next Assembly elections, Jagga Reddy described it as a well-considered decision. He said leaders such as Y. S. Rajasekhara Reddy, K. Rosaiah and N. Kiran Kumar Reddy always respected the party's decisions, and Revanth Reddy too had consistently placed the Congress party above personal interests before becoming Chief Minister. Concluding his remarks, Jagga Reddy advised first-time MLAs to focus on strengthening their connection with the people and prepare effectively to secure a second consecutive victory.

Ministers Promote Oil Palm Cultivation in Siddipet District

Kothapalli. State Transport and BC Welfare Minister Ponnamp Prabhakar and Labour Minister Gaddam Vivek Venkataswamy on Friday urged farmers to take up oil palm cultivation on a larger scale, citing its economic viability and the need to reduce dependence on imported edible oils. The Ministers participated in a mega oil palm plantation programme at Jangama village in Akkannapet mandal of Husnabad constituency, where they planted saplings in the field of a farmer and interacted with cultivators. Minister Prabhakar said the government had set a target of bringing 50,000 acres under oil palm cultivation in Siddipet district, while more than 14,000 acres had already been covered.



With the possibility of Eli Nino-induced dry conditions, farmers should increasingly opt for crops that are less vulnerable to rainfall fluctuations, he said. Describing oil palm as a remunerative crop, the Minister said farmers could raise intercrops during the initial four years and avail themselves

of government support, including a subsidy of ₹50,000 per acre. He also said villages actively promoting oil palm cultivation would be considered for financial incentives. Minister Vivek Venkataswamy said rising global demand and supply disruptions had highlighted the need to increase

India's IT Industry Must Pivot to "AI as a Service" says Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw

HYDERABAD TO PLAY A KEY ROLE IN INDIA'S AI, SEMICONDUCTOR AND ELECTRONICS GROWTH UNDER PRIME MINISTER NARENDRA MODI'S VISION



11th July, Hyderabad Union Minister for Electronics & Information Technology, Railways and Information & Broadcasting, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, today called upon the Indian IT industry to transform itself from a software services-led model to an "AI as a Service" model, leveraging India's trusted global reputation and skilled talent pool. Shri Vaishnaw was addressing an Industry Leader Townhall on "The Role of Technology in Building Viksit Bharat 2047", organised by the Hyderabad Software Enterprises Association (HYSEA) in Hyderabad. The event was followed by a roundtable interaction with industry leaders. Union Minister for Coal and Mines Shri G. Kishan Reddy also participated in the programme. Addressing industry leaders, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw said India's next phase of growth will be driven by Artificial Intelligence, semiconductors, electronics manufacturing and advanced infrastructure, all aligned with Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision of Viksit Bharat 2047. Stating that Artificial Intelligence has fundamentally transformed the IT industry, the Minister said every new AI model brings new capabilities and opportunities. He highlighted that India's greatest strength lies in the trust it has earned globally by understanding industries, identifying problems and delivering effective technology-driven solutions. Emphasising the need for a strategic shift, Shri Vaishnaw said the Indian IT industry must now move beyond the Software-as-a-Service model and evolve towards providing AI

as a Service. He said this transformation should be driven through close collaboration between industry and academia. Referring to recent initiatives, he said NASSCOM, in partnership with the Government, has developed a comprehensive AI curriculum which has been shared with the Ministry of Education and AICTE to ensure students receive exposure to the latest developments in Artificial Intelligence. Highlighting the country's progress in semiconductor manufacturing, Shri Vaishnaw said India had aspired to build a semiconductor ecosystem since the 1960s, but the vision has now become a reality due to the focused efforts of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. He informed that 12 semiconductor manufacturing plants are currently at various stages of development, with three already producing chips that are being exported to Japan, Europe and domestic markets. The Minister said India's growing semiconductor design ecosystem, coupled with a global shortage of skilled talent, presents a significant opportunity for the IT industry. He encouraged companies to leverage their strengths in electronics, IT, design and product development to create innovative semiconductor solutions. He also informed that the Government has made advanced semiconductor design tools available to 315 universities to strengthen the talent pipeline. On electronics manufacturing, Shri Vaishnaw said India is witnessing unprecedented growth, with mobile phones emerging as the country's largest export category last year. He said the electronics manufacturing sector is expected to expand from the current ₹13 lakh crore to ₹20 lakh crore in the near future. In Telangana alone, the Central Government has supported the establishment of 104 electronics manufacturing companies, sanctioned four Electronics Manufacturing Clusters and established a Common Facility Centre (CFC). Referring to infrastructure development, Shri Vaishnaw said Hyderabad is poised to emerge as a major hub under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's development vision. He said three bullet train corridors are planned for the city, positioning Hyderabad as an important centre for high-speed rail development and eco-

nomie growth. The Minister also highlighted the significant increase in railway investments in Telangana. He said while the undivided Andhra Pradesh received around ₹880 crore annually for railway development during the UPA period, Telangana alone is now receiving more than ₹5,400 crore. He added that about 40 railway stations in Telangana are being redeveloped under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme as part of the nationwide modernisation of over 1,300 stations. The Minister said that, Hyderabad has emerged as one of the country's most important centres for technology-led growth and innovation. He said the city is making significant contributions in emerging sectors such as semiconductors, AI, Kavach technology, VFX and digital innovation, and will play a leading role in building India's future in Artificial Intelligence, semiconductor manufacturing, digital public infrastructure and innovation. Over the past decade India has built a strong digital foundation, enabling the country to become a global leader in Digital Public Infrastructure. He noted that UPI has processed transactions worth over ₹314 lakh crore, while indigenous 4G and 5G technologies, affordable data services and world-class digital platforms are accelerating innovation and economic growth across sectors, he added. Union Minister for Coal & Mines, Shri G. Kishan Reddy said that development must extend beyond Hyderabad and that tier-II cities such as Warangal, Karimnagar and others should emerge as hubs of investment, innovation and employment, ensuring balanced regional growth across Telangana. He said the redevelopment of Secunderabad and Nampally railway stations, along with new railway infrastructure and 100% railway electrification, will transform connectivity and strengthen Hyderabad's growth story. Union Ministers Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw and Shri G. Kishan Reddy visited the Medha Bogies Factory at Kondakal and Medha Servo Drives Private Limited on Fab City Road. They reviewed manufacturing operations, assessed technological capabilities and safety preparedness, interacted with officials and employees, and inspected key facilities ahead of the commissioning phase.

COLLECTOR DIRECTS OFFICIALS TO EXPEDITE SAMAGRA SHIKSHA, PM POSHAN IMPLEMENTATION

Hanumakonda: District Collector Chahat Bajpai has directed officials to expedite the implementation of the Samagra Shiksha and PM POSHAN schemes and ensure that all financial and physical progress is uploaded on the PM PRAGATI (Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation) portal within the prescribed deadline. Reviewing the implementation of the two flagship programmes with District Educational Officer L.V. Giriraju Goud and Samagra Shiksha officials at the Collectorate on Friday, the District Collector stressed the need for timely and

accurate updating of progress on the portal. The Collector instructed officials to identify bottlenecks affecting the implementation of various components of the schemes and prepare advance action plans to address them. Emphasising inter-departmental coordination, she said concerted efforts were required to achieve the objectives of Samagra Shiksha and PM POSHAN and ensure that students receive quality education and nutritious meals without disruption. Samagra Shiksha coordinators Mahesh, Dr. Manmohan, Sunita, Suma, Raghuchandra Rao

(Qualify state selection) Kids athletic group

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Congratulations K.DEENA Age Group - U 12(Girls) Event 60m Run 7th standard student school Name - St Alphonsas High school. M.karthikeya U.20 (Boys)100m Run & 400m Run



Mock Student Council Elections Conducted



Karimnagar, July 11: Karimnagar Minority School Mock Student Council Elections were successfully conducted at Telangana Minority Residential School and Junior College, Karimnagar

Boys-2 Campus for both the School and College Student Councils on Saturday. During the programme, students enthusiastically took on the roles of Returning Officer, Presiding Officer, Assistant Presiding Officer, Polling Officers, and Polling Agents, gaining practical experience in the democratic election process. Speaking on the occasion, Principal

Mr. Sureshv stated that the primary objective of organizing the mock elections was to familiarize students with the principles and values of democracy from an early stage and to nurture leadership qualities among them. He emphasized that such activities help students understand the importance of free and fair elections while encouraging responsible citizenship. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from students, teachers, and staff members, who collectively upheld and celebrated the spirit and values of democracy.

Supervision of Ambari Police Senior Officials during the 104th Bonala Utsav of Sri Sri Sri Nalla Pochamma and Mata Mahankali Temple



On the occasion of the 104th Bonala Utsav of Sri Sri Sri Nalla Pochamma and Mahankali Temple, the senior police officials DCP Raghavendra Reddy, Add DCP Krishna Goud, ACP Tirupati, CI Ramulu Kulchampur, CI Balakrishna Tapachabutra, said that they will co-

operate in making this program a success. Pooja Committee President Katta Lingam, General Secretary Alley Ram Kumar and Advisors Gudaboina Sivaratnam, Senapati Chandrasekhar, Katta Narsing Rao, Gudumani Ashok Kumar, Gandla Niranjan Babu participated.



NIZAMABAD GLITTERS WITH JOYALUKKAS BRILLIANCE DIAMOND JEWELLER SHOW Joyalukkas, the World's favourite Jeweller, launched its exquisite 'Brilliance Diamond Jewellery Show' at Nizamabad. The event was inaugurated by Mrs. K Uma Rani Garu (Mayor - Nizamabad), Mrs. B Suvama Garu (Corporator) along with Mr. Sunil PS (Regional Manager, Joyalukkas), our esteemed customers and other dignitaries.