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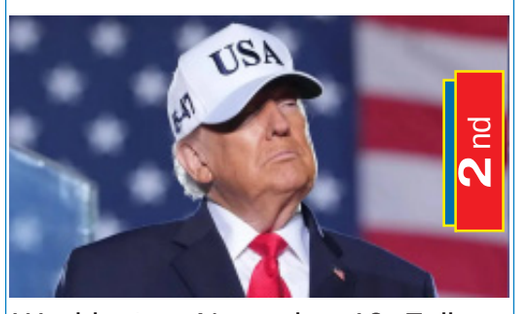
Sensational Remarks on U.S. Immigration Policy



Washington, November 10: Following a major setback in the midterm elections, U.S. President Donald Trump has had a 'revelation.' He acknowledged that his immigration policy may have been 'too harsh.' Trump expressed his willingness to work with the Democratic Party in the coming years. In the midterm elections held on November 3, the Democrats gained ground in both the House of Representatives and the Senate, dealing a significant blow to Trump by capturing several seats previously held by Republicans. Responding to a question on CBS's '60 Minutes' regarding his administration's..

Election Drums Sound for Panchayat Polls

Panchayat Elections in Tirupati District to be Held in Two Phases



- Elections for 777 Sarpanch posts in Tirupati district; schedule released
- Elections in 30 villages put on hold due to pending court cases
- Tirupati district panchayat elections set for November 26 and 29

Tirupati: The official machinery in Tirupati district is fully preparing to conduct Gram Panchayat elections. The polls will be held in two phases for 777 Sarpanch positions and 7,210 ward member seats across 35 mandals in the district. While there are a total of 807 Gram Panchayats in the district, officials have clarified that elections will not be held in 30 of them for the time being,

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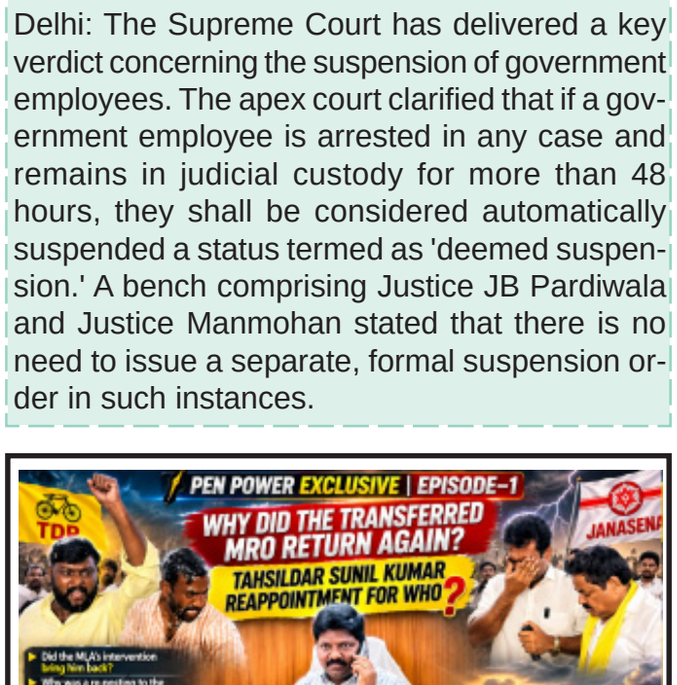

- Supreme Court's significant observations regarding government employees
- Court rules that custody exceeding 48 hours constitutes 'deemed suspension'
- Clarifies that no separate suspension order is required
- Expresses surprise at the reinstatement of an accused in a bribery case to the same position

Delhi: The Supreme Court has delivered a key verdict concerning the suspension of government employees. The apex court clarified that if a government employee is arrested in any case and remains in judicial custody for more than 48 hours, they shall be considered automatically suspended a status termed as 'deemed suspension.' A bench comprising Justice JB Pardiwala and Justice Manmohan stated that there is no need to issue a separate, formal suspension order in such instances.

AP Cabinet Decisions

Approval Granted for Several Projects



- Cabinet meeting held under the chairmanship of CM Chandrababu
- Green signal for new industrial policies
- AP Cabinet approves major industrial projects

Andhra Pradesh: Several key decisions were approved during the state cabinet meeting held today at the Secretariat in Velagapudi, chaired by Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu. With the objective of fostering industrial growth, attracting investments, and creating significant employment opportunities for the youth, the Cabinet has granted approval for several major projects. During the meeting, the Cabinet gave the green signal to the AVGC-XR Policy (2026–31), the AP Robotics and Physical AI Policy, and amendments to the Semiconductor Policy. Approval was granted for the establishment of a 512 MW Green Integrated AI Data Center by AM Intelligence in Bhimuni patnam, Visakhapatnam district, with an investment of Rs 31,387 crore. The path has also been cleared for setting up a carbon-cosmo battery material manufacturing plant in Naidupeta,..



As Chairperson of the IOA Commission PV Sindhu

- Minister Lokesh extends heartfelt congratulations to Sindhu
- Praised for being an inspiration to a generation as a two-time Olympic medalist
- Tweeted that Andhra Pradesh takes pride in Sindhu
- Wished her success in her new responsibilities

Why Was the Transferred MRO Brought Back?

Tahsildar Sunil Kumar's Reappointment Raises Political Questions

State Bureau, Pen Power | Tadepalligudem, November 10: The reappointment of Tahsildar Sunil Kumar in Tadepalligudem has sparked political debate, raising questions about administrative transparency and possible political influence.""Sunil Kumar, who was reportedly transferred from Tadepalligudem earlier, has returned to the same post. His reappointment has triggered questions over whether

Jagan files petition in High Court seeking quashing of case

- Jagan petitions AP High Court to quash the Pulivendula case
- Case registered over a protest held on the day of local body election polling
- Allegations of code violation against Jagan, Avinash Reddy, and about 70 others



Amarawathi: YSRCP chief Jagan has approached the State High Court, filing a petition to quash a criminal case registered against him in Pulivendula. On the day of the local body elections, Jagan staged a protest in front of the Pulivendula municipal office, alleging that YSRCP polling agents were being prevented from entering the polling booths.

ICG District Commander Calls on Minister Nara Lokesh



Coastal Security and Maritime Safety Take Centre Stage in Key Meeting
State Government Assures Full Cooperation to Indian Coast Guard
Focus on Fishermen's Safety, Disaster Preparedness and Coastal Development

Amaravati/Visakhapatnam, Pen Power, November 10: In a significant move towards strengthening coastal security and maritime safety in Andhra Pradesh, Deputy Inspector General C.D. Mohapatra, District Commander of Indian Coast Guard (ICG) District Headquarters No. 6, called on State Minister for IT, Electronics and Communications and Human Resources Development Nara Lokesh on Tuesday. The courtesy meeting focused on enhancing coordination between the Andhra Pradesh Government and the Indian Coast Guard in addressing coastal security challenges, protecting fishermen and improving disaster preparedness across the State.During the discussions, both emphasised the strategic importance of safeguarding Andhra Pradesh's nearly 974-kilometre-long coastline. They acknowledged that effective maritime surveillance, timely emergency response and close coordination between State authorities and the Coast Guard were essential for ensuring the safety of coastal communities.



BREATHING POISON, NOT AIR.. DELHI-NCR SOUNDS THE ALARM!

Loni Emerges as One of the Most Polluted Areas After Diwali – Industrial Emissions, Vehicular Smoke and Dust Pose a Serious Health Threat

The festive celebrations of Diwali may have come to an end, but the pollution crisis gripping North India has intensified, leaving millions of people struggling to breathe clean air. The situation is particularly alarming in Loni, a town in Uttar Pradesh located close to Delhi, where air pollution levels have reached extremely dangerous proportions. Loni has emerged as one of the worst-affected areas in the Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR) following Diwali. According to pollution data, the average PM2.5 concentration in Loni over the past 12 months stood at 112.5 micrograms per cubic metre. This is nearly 22 times higher than the World Health Organization's (WHO) recommended annual guideline of 5 micrograms per cubic metre. The Swiss air-quality monitoring organisation IQAir has also identified Loni among the world's most polluted locations in its annual pollution rankings.““TEN MAJOR FACTORS BEHIND THE POLLUTION CRISIS : The alarming air quality in Loni is not merely the result of Diwali celebrations. A combination of industrial, transport-related, environmental and meteorological factors has contributed to the worsening situation.“1. Industrial Emissions: Industries and small-scale manufacturing units operating in and around Loni release harmful smoke and toxic pollutants. Metal-melting furnaces and other industrial activities further contribute to deteriorating air quality.“2. Road Dust: Poorly maintained roads, damaged surfaces and inadequate dust-control measures allow large quantities of dust to enter the atmosphere. The problem becomes particularly severe during winter.“3. Construction Activities: Continuous construction of residential buildings, real estate projects and infrastructure facilities generates substantial dust. Excavation and the improper handling of construction materials further aggravate pollution.“4. Heavy Vehicular Traffic: Loni is connected to important transport routes linking Delhi, Ghaziabad and Baghpat. Heavy traffic, particularly trucks operating along the Eastern Peripheral Expressway and Delhi-Dehradun Highway, contributes significantly to air pollution through vehicle emissions.“5. Open Burning of Garbage: Increasing population and inadequate waste-management systems have resulted in the accumulation of garbage in several areas. Burning domestic and industrial waste in the open releases toxic smoke and harmful particulate matter.“6. Brick Kilns: Brick manufacturing units in and around Baghpat contribute to air pollution through smoke and harmful emissions. Soil excavation and the movement of raw materials also generate considerable dust.“7. Crop Residue Burning: During the beginning of winter, farmers in Punjab, Haryana and parts of Uttar Pradesh burn agricultural residue to clear their fields. The resulting smoke travels across regions and adds to the pollution burden in Delhi-NCR, including Loni.“8. Adverse Weather Conditions: Falling temperatures, increased atmospheric moisture and reduced wind movement during winter prevent pollutants from dispersing. As a result, harmful particles remain trapped close to the ground, intensifying pollution levels.“9. Secondary Chemical Reactions: Gases such as sulphur dioxide, nitrogen oxides and ammonia react with other atmospheric pollutants to form secondary fine particles. These chemical reactions contribute to the increasing concentration of dangerous PM2.5 particles.“10. Delhi-NCR Pollution Impact: The growing number of vehicles, industrial emissions and large-scale construction activities in Delhi, Ghaziabad and neighbouring areas have a direct impact on Loni's air quality. Pollution does not remain confined to administrative boundaries, making the entire NCR vulnerable.““DELHI ALSO RECORDS EXTREMELY HAZARDOUS AIR QUALITY : The national capital is facing an equally alarming situation. According to official figures, Delhi's Air Quality Index (AQI) touched 483 at around 8:10 a.m., placing it in the 'Severe' category. Meanwhile, private air-quality monitoring platforms such as IQAir reported AQI readings exceeding 1,000 in certain locations, including Shahdara and Defence Colony in South Delhi. These variations underline the intensity of the pollution crisis across different parts of the national capital.““A SERIOUS THREAT TO PUBLIC HEALTH : The growing concentration of PM2.5 particles poses a major threat to human health. These microscopic pollutants can penetrate deep into the respiratory system and reach the lungs and bloodstream, potentially affecting both respiratory and cardiovascular health.Prolonged exposure to polluted air increases the risk of heart diseases, chronic respiratory illnesses and lung cancer. Children, senior citizens, pregnant women and people already suffering from respiratory disorders are particularly vulnerable. Health experts generally advise vulnerable groups to minimise outdoor exposure during severe pollution episodes, avoid strenuous outdoor activities and follow official health advisories.

BEYOND DIWALI: A LONG-TERM ENVIRONMENTAL CRISIS : Although firecrackers used during Diwali can cause a sudden spike in pollution levels, the situation in Loni and the wider Delhi-NCR region cannot be attributed to festival celebrations alone. Industrial emissions, vehicular exhaust, construction dust, open garbage burning, agricultural residue burning and unfavourable weather conditions have combined to create a persistent environmental crisis.The deteriorating air quality raises serious questions about the effectiveness of existing pollution-control measures and the preparedness of authorities to protect public health. “What should be a basic necessity – breathing clean air – has increasingly become a challenge for millions of people. Immediate enforcement of pollution-control regulations, stricter monitoring of industrial units, scientific waste management, dust-control measures and coordinated action among neighbouring states are essential.The crisis demands more than temporary restrictions and seasonal emergency measures. Governments must adopt a comprehensive, long-term strategy to address the root causes of pollution. Clean air is not a luxury; it is a fundamental necessity for life. Unless concrete action is taken now, the people of Delhi-NCR may continue to pay a heavy price for years of environmental neglect.

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“The bench made these observations while hearing a petition filed by Vishwajeet Singh, a manager at the Samastipur Sadar Hospital in Bihar. He had been arrested under the Prevention of Corruption Act following allegations that he demanded a bribe of Rs. 4,000 to clear outstanding wage dues of Rs. 36,421 owed to a contractor. Following his arrest, he remained in judicial custody for approximately 15 days. In this case, the Sessions Court granted him bail, but the Patna High Court subsequently set aside that order. He then approached the Supreme Court, which restored his bail. However, the bench expressed deep surprise that the accused’s suspension had been revoked, allowing him to return to the same hospital and the same position while the proceedings were still underway. "This is shocking. The state government must review this matter immediately," the court directed. Noting that bail is generally granted in such cases provided there is no history of serious criminal offenses the Supreme Court quashed the Patna High Court's order and restored the bail granted by the Sessions Court.

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deportation policy, Trump suggested that it might have been overly severe. He noted that his strict immigration policies had both benefited and harmed him during the elections. Trump claimed he deserved an ‘A+’ grade for closing the borders and for removing criminals from the country. However, he admitted that he suffered politically by also deporting individualswho held good jobs but had committed the sole offense of entering the country illegallythat is, violating the law by crossing the border without authorization. In an interviewwith CNN, Trump suggested that there is unlikely to be any fresh escalation in tensions with Iran, implying that a war is probably not on the horizon.

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due to various pending court cases. A comprehensive action plan has been prepared to ensure the smooth conduct of elections for the remaining 777 Panchayats. A total of 195 centers are being set up across the district to accept nominations from candidates. According to the election schedule, the first phase will cover 415 Panchayats across 18 mandals. The election notice for this phase will be issued on November 15, with nominations accepted until November 17; polling is scheduled for November 26. In the second phase, polling will take place on November 29 for the 362 Panchayats located in the remaining 17 mandals. Officials stated that the counting of votes will take place on the evening of the respective polling dates, and the results will be announced immediately thereafter. The district administration noted that all necessary measures are being taken to ensure the election process is conducted in a peaceful atmosphere.

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Andhra Pradesh: Andhra Pradesh Minister Nara Lokesh has extended his heartfelt congratulations to the renowned badminton player and pride of the Telugu people, PV Sindhu. He took to social media to respond to her election as the Chairperson of the Athletes' Commission of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA). In a statement released on Tuesday, Lokesh remarked, "It is a matter of pride that PV Sindhu who has won two Olympic medals and served as an inspiration to the new generation on the badminton court is now taking on a key leadership role in Indian sports. Andhra Pradesh is proud of your achievements, Sindhu." He expressed his hope that she would excel in sports administration just as she has reached numerous milestones as an athlete on the international stage. Lokesh further conveyed his sincere wishes for her to achieve great success in this significant new role. Many sports fans and prominent figures have expressed their delight, noting that Sindhu taking on this new role is a positive development for the Indian sports landscape.

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DIG Mohapatra briefed the Minister on the Coast Guard's operational responsibilities and its continued commitment to supporting the State Government in coastal surveillance, search-and-rescue operations, disaster relief and emergency response during cyclones, floods and other natural calamities. He particularly highlighted the importance of protecting fishermen who venture into the sea for their livelihood. He explained that improved communication networks, timely weather warnings, maritime safety awareness and coordinated rescue mechanisms could significantly reduce risks faced by fishing communities. The discussions also covered collaborative initiatives aimed at coastal development, environmental protection and community welfare. DIG Mohapatra proposed organi sing maritime safety awareness programm es, medical camps in fishing villages, coastal cleanliness drives and educational initiatives to encourage patriotism and maritime awareness among young people. Responding positively, Minister Nara Lokesh appreciated the Indian Coast Guard's dedicated services in protecting the country's maritime interests and safeguarding fishermen's lives.““He assured the Coast Guard of the State Government's full cooperation in strengthening coastal security infrastructure, improving technological capabilities and enhancing communication systems for effective disaster management. The Minister also expressed the Governm ent's commitment to supporting the welfare of Coast Guard officers, personnel and ex-servicemen. He emphasised the importance of technology-driven coordination between various agencies to ensure faster responses during maritime emergencies. Officials observed that the meeting marked another step towards strengthening institutional cooperation between the Andhra Pradesh Government and the Indian Coast Guard.““The interaction reaffirmed the shared commitment of both organisations to ensuring a safer coastline, protecting fishi ng communities, improving disaster resilience and promoting sustainable coastal development across Andhra Pradesh.

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with an investment of Rs 4,000.20 crore. Furthermore, the Cabinet approved the allocation of 25 acres of land in Bhogapuram for a Reliance Giga-scale AI Data Center, as well as land allocation for Dixon Technologies in Tirupati. Approval has been granted for an 'Epack' unit in Rambilli, Anakapalli district, with an investment of Rs 570.20 crore; this project is expected to provide employment to 2,565 people. In West Godavari district, the expansion of 'Ravali Spinners'—involving an investment of Rs 236.92 crore—has been given the green signal, which will create 1,569 jobs. Additionally, 173.82 acres of land in the Nakkapalli Bulk Drug Park have been allocated to Hetero group companies. The Cabinet also decided to establish a special directorate for road safety in the state under the supervision of the Director General of Police (DGP), and to create the positions of 'Pradhana Sannidhi Yadava' and 'Sannidhi Yadava' at the Sri Venkateswara Temple in Tirumala. Furthermore, the Cabinet approved the exploration of the feasibility of nuclear power plants using SMR (Small Modular Reactor) technology as an alternative to thermal power, and sanctioned the allocation of land in Sakhamuru—within the capital region—for a Kendriya Vidyalaya.

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The police registered a case, stating that the protest was held without permission while the Model Code of Conduct was in effect. Along with Jagan, Kadapa MP Y.S. Avinash Reddy and approximately 70 others have been accusedof violating the code. In his petition, Jagan argued that the case was filed for political reasons and requested that it be quashed. Meanwhile, several YSRCP MLCs have also filed separate petitions in theHigh Courtseeking to quash the case. A case has been registered at the Suryaraopeta Police Station against MLCs Lella Appireddy,Kalpalatha Reddy, Murugu du Hanumantha Rao, and Ruhulla for staging a protest outside the State Election Commission (SEC)office during the electi onperiod. Theyhave requested the court to quash thecase filedagainst them.The Andh ra Pradesh High Court is set to hear these petitions, alongside the one filed by Jagan.

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it was based on administrative requirements or political recommendations.““The controversy intensified following the recent Venkataramannagudem MPTC elections. TDP candidate Parimi Ravikumar alleged that certain leaders from his own party, along with the Tahsildar's conduct, contributed to his electoral defeat. He demanded an inquiry into the election-related developments and examination of relevant call records through lawful procedures.““Meanwhile, political circles are discussing allegations that Tadepalligudem MLA Bolisetty Srinivas recommended Sunil Kumar's return. However, these claims remain unverified.““Questions are now being raised about why Sunil Kumar was initially transferred, who recommended his return, and what administrative reasons were cited in the official reappointment orders.““The Revenue Department plays a crucial role in land administration, public services and safeguarding government properties. Its decisions must remain transparent, impartial and free from undue political influence.““The central question is not merely who recommended the Tahsildar, but whether his appointment and official decisions comply with government rules.““The district administration must clarify the circumstances surrounding the transfer and reappointment. Official records and responses from the concerned authorities are essential to establish the facts and restore public confidence.

Coming Up in Episode–2““Is There Pressure Inside the Tahsildar’s Office?““- Reports of alleged pressure on subordinate staff“- Are officials able to make independent decisions?“- Is external interference affecting Revenue Administration?

UNION MINISTER PEMMASANI CHANDRA SEKHAR CONDUCTS SURPRISE INSPECTIONS AT POST OFFICES





Bhopal, Pen Power, November 10: Union Minister of State Dr. Pemmasani Chandra Sekhar has undertaken surprise inspections of two major post offices in Bhopal, the capital of Madhya Pradesh, with the objective of improving the quality of postal services and ensuring faster, more efficient, and customer-friendly services.““The Union Minister visited the post offices without prior notice and personally examined the services being provided, staff performance, and implementation of modern technological systems. He reviewed counter services, ticketing procedures, parcel delivery networks, and mail-handling operations. During the inspection, Dr. Pemmasani interacted with postal department employees and enquired about the challenges they face in discharging their duties, their working conditions, and their requirements. He also directly interacted with customers visiting the post offices and gathered feedback regarding the quality of services and the difficulties they encounter.““Based on the feedback received from customers, the Minister instructed officials to take necessary measures to address shortcomings and further improve the efficiency of postal services.““Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Pemmasani Chandra Sekhar stated that India Post is being comprehensively modernized by adopting advanced technologies to meet the changing needs of society. He emphasized that the Department of Posts is no longer limited to delivering letters but has evolved into a strong public service institution providing extensive banking and insurance services.““He further stated that continuous efforts have been underway over the past two and a half years to streng then India Post. The government aims to deliver faster and high-quality services on par with corporate organizations while maintaining the trust that people have place d in the postal system for generations. The Minister highlighted that India Post Payments Bank is expanding banking services across rural and urban areas, while Postal Life Insurance services are being strengthened through digital platforms. He said the government is committed to making postal services more accessible, convenient, and beneficial to the common people. SPECIAL REVIEW OF BSNL SERVICES Following the inspections of the post offices, Union Minister Dr. Pemmasani Chandra Sekhar also reviewed the performance of BSNL's network and technical infrastructure in the Bhopal region.““He directed officials to remain vigilant and ensure uninterrupted high-speed connectivity and improved telecommunications services for consumers. The Minister emphasized that service quality, transparency, and speed must remain the top priorities in all government service delivery systems.““Dr. Pemmasani Chandra Sekhar reiterated that the Central Government is committed to modernizing India Post and BSNL systems with the objective of bringing government services closer to the people and ensuring efficient, reliable, and customer-centric service delivery.

Vaccinations are the ones to increase the power to fight diseases

Dr. Addala Satyanarayana



Our Staff Reporter, Penpower, November 10 : ““Renowned doctor Dr.Addala Satyanarayana has stated that vaccines should increase the immune system of the body and alert the defense system to fight pathogens. He spoke at an awareness program organized on the occasion of World Vaccination Day under the auspices of Adbala Trust in Ramanayyapet. He said that by vaccinating, the body's defense system will be strengthened and the ability to fight diseases will increase. It is explained that vaccines help to effectively fight pathogens when they enter the body. Everyone is advised to recognize the importance of vaccinations and get the necessary vaccinations on time. Adbala Ratnaprasad, Dr.Sirisha, Chintapalli Subbarao, Raja and others participated in this program.

70th State Level Under-19 Taekwondo Competitions

Begin in a Grand Way





Our Staff Reporter, Penpower, Pithapuram, November 10 : The 70th State Level School Games Federation (SGF) Under-19 Boys and Girls Taekwondo Competitions began in a grand way at the R.R.B.H.R. Government Junior College premises in Pithapuram town. The inaugural function was presided over by Pithapuram Government Junior College Principal D.R.K.Reddy. East Godavari District Intermediate Education Officer (DIEO) B.Mary Sujatha was the chief guest and officially inaugurated the competitions by lighting the lamp. Venkata Bujji, who came as an observer for the state competitions from Bapatla district, Jaggampet Government Junior College Principal Vemagiri Srinivas, and Joint East Godavari District Under-19 School Games Secretary Dr. Venkat Reddy participated in the program as special guests.

Taekwondo is essential for self-defense : DIEO Mary Sujatha

Speaking on the occasion, DIEO B. Mary Sujatha and Principal D.R.K.Reddy said that sports enhance physical fitness as well as mental happiness among students. They especially said that martial arts education like Taekwondo is very useful for girls in terms of self-defense, and they called on everyone to practice these.

Selection for National Level: The organizers have clarified that the winners who show outstanding talent and win gold medals in the state-level Taekwondo competitions being held at Pithapuram will be selected for the upcoming national level competitions. Pithapuram Government Junior College Librarian Hussain, Senior Assistant Palla Suresh, Competition Management Secretary P.Lakshmana Rao, and a large number of gym teachers, coaches and players from various districts participated in the program.

One hundred percent accuracy should be maintained in the census collection

- Collector Harendhira Prasad



Our Staff Reporter Penpower, Kakinada, November 10 : ““District Collector M.N.Harendhira Prasad has ordered that the census collection process in the district should be carried out in a strict manner and that every information collected should be one hundred percent accurate and that the officers and staff should act responsibly with full awareness. On Tuesday, a two-day training program was organized for district and charge level officers on the second phase of Census-2027 and the population registration program under the auspices of the Census Directorate of the Government of India at the Kakinada Collectorate. The Collector along with DRO Dr. D.Tippenayak and Hyderabad Director of Census Joint Director G.V.Chandrakala were present. Speaking on the occasion, the Collector said that the census conducted across the country is a responsibility of equal importance to elections. It was advised that the staff collecting data at the field level should have complete understanding of every issue and should not allow any mistakes in recording details like mother tongue. He clarified that every house should be visited and comprehensive details should be collected, and if family members are not available, they should go two or three times and record the details. He said that the government's financial decisions, implementation of welfare schemes and future development plans will be made based on the census. He asked the officials to take advantage of this training in the context of the population census process starting in full swing in February. Hyderabad Director of Census JD G.V.Chandrakala said that the census is very crucial for the development of the country and the details of every citizen should be a part of it. He explained that the population statistics will be a key basis in the allocation of financial resources and funds by the central government to Andhra Pradesh and Kakinada district. It was advised that no eligible name should be left unregistered and that officials should be vigilant in ensuring that the same person's name is not registered twice. CPO P.Trinath, Collectorate Section Superintendent M.Jagannath, officers in charge of various levels, assistant officers in charge, technical assistants, and other staff participated in this training program.

Collector felicitates Child prodigy

Kakinada, November 10: District collector M N Harendhira Prasad felicitated the child prodigy Vanum Jai Prakash of Kurada village of Karapa Mandal who bagged the gold medal in Western Asian Youth chess championship-2026 in under-12 open category. The chess champion Jai Prakash along with his teachers met the Collector at his chamber with his Gold medal on Tuesday .The Collector has complimented Jai Prakash for showing his mettle in international level and fetching laurels to the district and state. In the Western Asian Youth chess championship held in Gujarat state , Jai Prakash competed with the chess players of various countries and stood in first place by scoring 7.5 points in total nine rounds. With this victory Jai Prakash not only clinched the Gold medal but also enhanced his Fide International chess rating from 1907 to 2070 . Jai Prakash was studying seventh class in Gaigolupadu government high school.

`Hailing from an ordinary family of a rural background attaining such credit is a matter of pride and he should be emulated . Moreover ,Jai Prakash father who is a police constable deserve every praise for encouraging his son making his a chess champion , collector said. Jai Prakash so far bagged one gold medal in international level, two bronze medals in National level and eight first top places in district level speaks volumes about his talent, hard work and dedication, collected added

Dakshinakashi ablaze with Shiva's name

- Devotees flock to Padagaya

- The splendor of Karthika lamps in Pushkarini

Our Staff Reporter, Penpower, Pithapuram, November 10 : ““Pithapuram, a holy place famous as 'Dakshinakashi' with the spiritual splendor of Karthika month, was ablaze with the remembrance of Shiva's name. Thousands of devotees thronged the Uma Kukkuteswara Swamy temple along with Sri Rajarajeshwari, one of the Trilinga Kshetras, and the holy Padagaya Tirtha. The rush of devotees that started early in the morning filled the entire premises of the temple with spiritual excitement.““- Holy Baths in Padagaya Pushkarini – The splendor of Karthika lamps““Devotees took holy baths in Padagaya Pushkarini, which is considered to be the embodiment of the Trinity. In honor of the glory of Kartika month, they offered pinda pradana and tarpanas with devotion, wishing for the liberation of their ancestral gods. In the evening, the shore of Padagaya Pushkarini shone with golden lights. Devotees released Kartika lamps in the Pushkarini water, wishing for the fulfillment of their desires and prosperity in the family. The lights of thousands of Pramidalas reflected in the Pushkarini and became a feast for the eyes.““- Special Abhishekams to the Lords““Ekadasa Rudrabhishekams, Sahasra Nama Marchanams and Mahanyasapookkhar Abhishekams were performed in the temple from early morning on Sri Kukkuteswara Swamy and Puruhutika Amma. The temple premises echoed with the chanting of the names of the devotees, saying, "Hara Hara Mahadeva.. Shambho Shankara.." ““ - Services for devotees – Extensive arrangements by officials““Keeping in mind the rush of devotees who had come from far away places, the temple assistant commissioner and executive officer Katnam Jaganmohan



Srinivas, the temple staff and the local administration took special measures. General and special queue lines were set up to provide darshan to the devotees without any inconvenience. Drinking water and milk were provided to the devotees waiting in the queue lines. Swimmers and security personnel were made available in advance to prevent any accidents at Pushkarini. The special nature of Karthika month and the divine place where the debt of the ancestors is paid off, made the Pithapuram Padagaya Kshetra thrilling with waves of devotion.

AP SCPCR CALLS FOR MAKING FATHER'S NAME NON-MANDATORY IN GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

Vijayawada, Pen Power, November 10: The Andhra Pradesh State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (AP SCPCR) has called for comprehensive administrative reforms to make the father's name non-mandatory in government forms and official records wherever it is not legally required. The Commission stressed that no child should be denied education, identity documents, welfare benefits or essential services due to the absence of the father's details.""The call was made during a one-day state-level workshop on "Making Father's Name Non-Mandatory," jointly organised by the Children of India Foundation and AP SCPCR in Vijayawada on November 10. AP SCPCR Chairman Sri Vetukuri A.V.S.S.N. Raju, who attended the programme as the Chief Guest, emphasised that children's dignity, identity, equality and fundamental rights must be given priority in government documentation procedures. The Chairman stated that every child is an independent rights-holder and that a child's identity, dignity and future should not be determined by the marital status or family circumstances of their parents. Referring to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), he highlighted the principles of non-discrimination, child welfare, identity, privacy and the right to education.""He pointed out that children of single mothers, unmarried women, widowed and divorced women, survivors of human trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation, as well as children living under the care of guardians, often face difficulties when government applications insist on the mandatory disclosure of the father's name.""Such requirements create unnecessary barriers in obtaining birth certificates, school admissions, scholarships, identity documents and welfare benefits. The Chairman stressed that government documentation systems should facilitate children's access to rights and services rather than become obstacles to their development and well-being.""The workshop urged various government departments to review their existing application forms, registration procedures, online portals and verification systems to identify provisions where the father's name is unnecessarily treated as mandatory.""The participating departments were urged to accept the mother's name or legally recognised guardian's details as appropriate alternatives, ensure that no child is denied essential services, modify government databases and online portals, and issue clear instructions to officials at district, mandal and grassroots levels. The need for an effective grievance-redressal mechanism and increased awareness among field-level officials was also highlighted.""Dr. Rayapati Sailaja, Chairperson of the Andhra Pradesh State Commission for Women, emphasised the need for coordinated action and convergence among all concerned departments and AP SCPCR to take the initiative forward. She called for efforts to secure a Government Order ensuring that no child is denied access to education or opportunities and stressed the importance of equal



opportunities for all children and women, irrespective of their circumstances.""The consultation also highlighted the need for a uniform, child-friendly administrative framework across Andhra Pradesh. The participating departments were urged to formulate concrete recommendations, nominate departmental nodal officers and prepare a time-bound action plan for implementation.""The Commission clarified that making the father's name non-mandatory is not intended to exclude fathers or undermine lawful parentage and parental responsibilities. Instead, it is an inclusive administrative reform aimed at safeguarding every child's dignity, equality and right to identity, wherever legally permissible. Concluding the address, the Chairman stated that a child's future should never be restricted by the absence of a father's name in a government document. He stressed that no child should be questioned about family circumstances before being allowed to exercise their rights and called upon the government to establish child-friendly documentation guidelines across all departments through a comprehensive Government Order or administrative circular.""The workshop aimed to translate the principles of the UNCRC into practical administrative reforms and strengthen an inclusive, sensitive and child-friendly governance system in Andhra Pradesh. The dignitaries present included Dr. Rayapati Sailaja, Chairperson, AP State Commission for Women; Smt. M.K. Vijayalakshmi, Secretary, DLSA, Krishna District; Sri Rama Rao, Assistant Commissioner, Education Department; Sri P. Ramana Reddy, Department of Juvenile Welfare; Smt. Vasanthabala, Director, DOJW, Andhra Pradesh; Sri Srinivasa Rao, Deputy Director, Health Department; Smt. Sirisha, Joint Director, DWCD; Sri V.S. Subbarao, Joint Director, School Education; Sri P.V. Rao, Chairperson, CWC, Eluru; Sri Hemanth Kumar, Executive Director, Children of India Foundation; Sri N.V.S. Rammohan, Director, HELP; Sri V. Gandhibabu, Sri Challa Madhusudhanrao and Smt. P. Nagamanasa, Members, APSCPCR; Jenifar Y, Programme Manager, Children of India Foundation; along with CWC Chairpersons, Commission members and NGO representatives.



We created history in local body polls



MLA Kandula Narayana Reddy
Panchayat polls are the real test, work unitedly
Call to cadre

Markapuram, Staff reporter Pen Power, November 10: Markapuram MLA Kandula Narayana Reddy thanked the people of Markapuram constituency for creating history in the local body elections."As part of the preparations for the upcoming panchayat elections, a general body meeting of party workers from Markapuram, Tarlupadu, Konakanamitla and Podili mandals was held on tuesday at the Markapuram Agricultural Market Yard under the chairmanship of the MLA. TDP leaders and workers from all four mandals attended the meeting in large numbers. Speaking on the occasion, the MLA said the party had achieved a grand victory in the recently held ZPTC, MPTC and Municipal elections. Out of 4 ZPTCs in the constituency, the party won all 4, and out of 49 MPTCs, it won 41 seats. He said the party had won even in seats where it had not won in the last 30 years, and congratulated the workers for working tirelessly to deliver this victory.He said the upcoming panchayat elections are the real test, and called upon all groups to set aside differences in the villages and work unitedly to ensure the victory of the party candidates. He advised the cadre to visit every household and explain the development and welfare done by the government.""He asked them to campaign on the completion of the Veligonda project, declaration of Markapuram district, Horticulture Hub, supply of drinking water to every house through pipeline, pensions, free bus travel for women, Thalliki Vandanam, Annadata Sukhibhava - Rs. 20,000 per year to farmers, and three free gas cylinders per year.""He expressed confidence that if the government schemes are taken to every house, the party will sweep the panchayats with a 100 percent strike rate. He suggested that leaders and workers in each village sit together and select sarpanch candidates unanimously.

Knife attack and robbery

- Two accused sentenced to 10 years and 6 months in prison



Our Staff Reporter, Penpower, Kakinada, November 10 : The Pithapuram Assistant Sessions Court has sentenced two accused to 10 years and 6 months in prison in the case of knife attack on an auto driver and robbery of gold ornaments from the passengers. Judge M.Babu (S.C. No. 179/2024) pronounced the verdict to this effect. On June 12, 2023, Kailash Bhag alias Sunny (28) from Chhattisgarh and Sunel Sahu alias Balikaran Sahu (45) from Uttar Pradesh boarded an auto as passengers. On the way, they attacked the driver with a knife and injured him. Later, they threatened the other passengers in the auto and robbed them of their gold ornaments and fled. A case was registered at the Pithapuram Rural Police Station based on the complaint filed by the victim, Appikonda Manga. The then SI Abdul Nabi registered the case, while CI Y.R.K.Srinivas conducted the investigation and filed the charge sheet in the court. The police, under the supervision of Kakinada District SP Bindu Madhav, presented solid evidence to the court. APP B.Lakshmana Dora made strong arguments on behalf of the prosecution. As the crime was proven, the court issued orders imposing 10.6 years of imprisonment and fine on the accused.

The current CI G.V.V.Satyanarayana, SI Sheikh John Bhasha, and Court Head Constable V.V.V.Kishore successfully coordinated the investigation of the case. The District SP specially congratulated the investigating officers and the legal team for working effectively to ensure that the accused were punished.

Census Survey Must Be Conducted with Accuracy and Proper Planning

Collector C.M. Saikanth Varma

Guntur, Pen Power, November 10: District Collector C.M. Saikanth Varma instructed officials to conduct the Census Survey with utmost accuracy, proper planning, and without any scope for errors.""On Tuesday, the District Collector participated in a training programme on Census-2027 for District Census Officers, Mandal Level Charge Officers, Additional Charge Officers, and Technical Assistants at the Sankaran Hall in the Guntur District Collectorate. On this occasion, he issued several instructions to the staff.""The Collector stated that staff should have complete knowledge of all 40 questions in the Census questionnaire and record responses uniformly by following standard procedures. He advised officials to clarify all doubts during the training itself and ensure that there is no room for personal discretion in data recording.""He emphasized that Self-Enumeration, House-to-House Survey, and Revisional Rounds should be completed within the stipulated deadlines through advance planning. Every enumerator should set daily targets from the first day and perform their duties accordingly. He instructed officials to continuously monitor the progress of the survey instead of rushing during the final days. By recording details of an average of four to ten households per day, the survey could be completed within the prescribed time.""The Collector stated that the Self-Enumeration process through the portal would be conducted from January 10 to January 24, 2027, and the House-to-House Field Enumeration would be carried out from January 25 to February 28, 2027. He directed officials to complete both processes efficiently without any lapses.""He further instructed officials to focus particularly on employees, schools, and colleges during the Self-Enumeration process and conduct awareness campaigns cluster-wise to ensure its successful completion.""As the present Census is being conducted through a digital system, the Collector stressed that officials must exercise extreme caution while entering data. He reminded them that once the details are submitted, there would be no opportunity for corrections. He stated that the information collected through the Census would serve as the basis for welfare schemes of the Central and State Governments and future policy decisions. He also advised every office to establish a dedicated Data Verification Cell to ensure the accuracy of data entry.""The Collector clarified that government rules and Gazette instructions must be strictly followed while recording caste and religion details, and



that entries contrary to the prescribed regulations would not be permitted. He instructed officials to bring any field-level issues to the notice of Tahsildars and concerned higher authorities for resolution.

District Revenue Officer Khajavali, Census Central Office Training Officer Prasanna Kumar, District Coordinators Adilakshmi and Ramana, and other officials participated in the training programme.

Adult Education Director Inspects ULLAS Literacy Classes in Visakhapatnam

Emphasis on Basic, Digital and Financial Literacy to Achieve Complete Literacy



Visakhapatnam, Pen Power, November 10: State Director of Adult Education Ranjit Bhasha, IAS, inspected the adult education classes being conducted under the ULLAS Akshara Andhra programme at Bhanoji Nagar in Zone-3 of Visakhapatnam. During the visit, the Director reviewed the functioning of the literacy centres and assessed the teaching methods adopted to improve basic literacy, digital literacy and financial awareness among adult learners. He interacted with volunteer teachers and learners to understand their progress, challenges and the effectiveness of the ongoing educational activities. He also offered suggestions to strengthen the quality of teaching and ensure better learning outcomes. Addressing the volunteer teachers, Ranjit Bhasha emphasised that adult education should go beyond conventional reading and writing skills. He stressed the importance of equipping every learner with essential reading, writing and numeracy skills, along with practical knowledge of digital technology and financial transactions. He observed that digital and financial literacy play a crucial role in enabling adults to become more confident, independent and capable of managing their everyday activities effectively. The Director urged volunteer teachers to work with greater dedication and commitment to achieve the objectives of the ULLAS Akshara Andhra programme and ensure that every learner becomes functionally literate and self-reliant. Visakhapatnam Deputy Director Subrahmanyam Varma and other departmental staff accompanied the Director during the inspection.

Online Certificate Course on Leadership and Team Management Concludes at Aditya University



Gandepalli, Pen Power, November 10: The School of Business at Aditya University, Surampalem, Gandepalli Mandal, successfully concluded an online certificate course on “Leadership and Team Management.” The programme was informative and beneficial to both students and faculty members, said Dr. Ravi Thangjam, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Strategy and Partnerships) of the university.““As part of the programme, participants received training on various aspects of leadership and team management, including the fundamentals of leadership, different leadership styles, building and managing effective teams, team-based decision-making, problem-solving, communication within teams, motivation, conflict management, and leadership in the era of digital technology and Artificial Intelligence (AI).““The online training sessions were conducted by resource persons Dr. K. Shailaja Rao, Dr. C.H. Vani, Professor M. Geetha, Dr. P. Manoj Babu, Dr. Kameera Shaik, and Professor K. Parthasarathy. The programme was attended by Deputy Pro-Chancellor Dr. M. Srinivasa Reddy, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Academic) Dr. S. Ramashree, Registrar Dr. G. Suresh, Associate Dean of the School of Business Dr. Sowjanya, Aditya Learning Academy Coordinator Dr. I. Veeranjaneyulu, and Department Coordinator Dr. V. Venkateswara Rao.““Students and faculty members actively participated in the programme, contributing to its successful completion.

Foolproof Arrangements Must Be Made for Three -Phase Sarpanch Elections

Polling Scheduled for November 26, 29 and December 2
Strict Enforcement of Model Code of Conduct Essential
Special Surveillance at Sensitive Polling Station
Top Priority to Maintenance of Law and Order
District Collector Vijaya Krishnan Directs Officials to Ensure Smooth Conduct of Elections

Anakapalli, Pen Power, November 10:““Anakapalli District Collector Vijaya Krishnan has directed officials of all departments to work in close coordination and make foolproof arrangements for the peaceful, transparent and incident-free conduct of the Gram Panchayat Sarpanch elections, scheduled to be held in three phases across the district on November 26, November 29 and December 2.““The Collector conducted a review meeting with officials of various departments through Webex on Tuesday afternoon to assess the district's preparedness for the upcoming elections. During the meeting, she reviewed crucial aspects, including electoral rolls, basic facilities at polling stations, deployment of election personnel, distribution of election materials, transportation arrangements and security measures.““Addressing the officials, the Collector emphasized that there should be absolutely no scope for negligence in the election process. She instructed all departments to discharge their assigned responsibilities efficiently and



ensure strict implementation of the Model Code of Conduct.““She directed officials to continuously monitor compliance with election regulations and take immediate action against any violations. All personnel involved in election duties must remain vigilant until the entire electoral process is completed, she added.““The Collector stressed the importance of thoroughly verifying electoral rolls and ensuring that every eligible voter has an opportunity to exercise their franchise. She instructed Booth Level Officers (BLOs) to ensure the timely distribution of voter information slips to all voters and take necessary steps to prevent inconvenience on polling day.““Highlighting the importance of basic infrastructure, Vijaya Krishnan directed officials to ensure the availability of drinking water, electricity, furniture and other essential facilities at all polling stations well in advance.““She also emphasized that adequate arrangements must be made for personnel deployed on election duties so that they can perform their responsibilities without difficulties or inconvenience.““The Collector instructed officials to pay special attention to the dis-



tribution and transportation of election materials and to maintain proper security arrangements throughout the electoral process. She further directed them to identify sensitive and potentially problematic polling stations in advance and implement appropriate preventive measures. Emphasizing that the maintenance of law and order must be given the highest priority, the Collector directed police and revenue officials to work in close coordination to ensure a peaceful atmosphere across the district.““She stressed the need for effective preventive action to avoid untoward incidents, disturbances or disruptions during the elections.““The Collector reiterated that effective interdepartmental coordination and continuous field-level monitoring would be crucial for the successful conduct of the three-phase Sarpanch elections. Anakapalli, Narsipatnam and Addaroad Revenue Divisional Officers (RDOs), Zilla Parishad CEO, Deputy CEO, Panchayat officials, police officers, Mandal Parishad Development Officers (MPDOs), Deputy MPDOs and other concerned officials participated in the review meeting.

Gram Panchayat Elections in Alluri District in Three Phases

Polling on November 26, 29 and December 2; Counting on the Same Day

Paderu,Pen Power,November 10: The Andhra Pradesh State Election Commission has announced the schedule for conducting Gram Panchayat elections in three phases across Alluri Sitarama Raju district, according to the District Panchayat Officer (DPO).““Under the guidance of District Collector T. Nishanthi, IAS, the district administration is making necessary arrangements for the smooth and peaceful conduct of the elections in accordance with the State Election Commission guidelines.““As per the schedule, polling for the first phase will be held on November 26, the second phase on November 29, and the third phase on December 2. Vote counting will be conducted on the respective polling days, followed by the declaration of results.““Phase-wise Election Schedule““First Phase“- Election Notification: November 13“- Election Proclamation: November 15“- Last Date for Nominations: November 17“- Scrutiny of Nominations: November 18“- Withdrawal of Nominations and Final Candidates List: November 21“- Polling and Counting: November 26““Second Phase“- Election Notification: November 16“- Election Proclamation: November 18“- Last Date for Nominations: November 20“- Scrutiny of Nominations: November 21“- Withdrawal of Nominations and Final Candidates List: November 24“- Polling and Counting: November 29““Third Phase“- Election Notification: November 19“- Election Proclamation: November 21“- Last Date for Nominations: November 23“- Scrutiny of Nominations: November 24“- Withdrawal of Nominations and Final Candidates List: November 27“- Polling and Counting: December 2““The DPO stated that all necessary arrangements would be made in coordination with the district administration to ensure the smooth and transparent conduct of the elections.““Voters have been urged to participate actively in the democratic process and exercise their right to vote.

Commotion at 'Bakingo' in Madhapur 60 kg of Expired Cake Bases Seized!

Serilingampally: Officials from the TG Safe Food wing conducted inspections at a 'Bakingo' outlet in Madhapur. As part of a special drive targeting cloud kitchens, the authorities inspected the Bakingo outlet and discovered approximately 60 kg of cake bases that had expired on November 10. It was found that these expired cake bases were being used to prepare cakes for sale to customers.“Furthermore, the officials noted that the cakes were being sold with labels indicating an expiry date of November 12—a date beyond the actual shelf life. The 60 kg of expired cake bases were disposed of on-site by the officials, and a report regarding the inspection has been submitted to higher authorities. Food safety officials have issued a stern warning that strict action will be taken against those who compromise the health of consumers.

Political Tension Grips Kir?

ampudi as Police Question Former Minister Ambati Rambabu for 90 Minutes
Ambati's visit to Mudragada's residence triggers political stir
– Accuses coalition government of political vendetta

Pen power, buro,KAKINADA DISTRICT, November 10: Political tension prevailed in Kir?ampudi of Kakinada district following the visit of former minister and senior YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) leader Ambati Rambabu. His visit to the residence of former minister Mudragada Padmanabham triggered considerable political activity in the region.““Mudragada Giribabu, YSRCP in-charge of the Prathipadu Assembly constituency, warmly welcomed Ambati Rambabu upon his arrival. On the occasion, Ambati paid floral tributes to the portrait of late Mudragada and offered respects at his memorial. Later, he held discussions with Mudragada Giribabu on various political and contemporary issues.““Following his visit, Kir?ampudi police summoned Ambati Rambabu to the local police station and questioned him for approximately one and a half hours. After the inquiry, Ambati stated that he had answered all the questions raised by the police and extended full cooperation during the investigation.““Speaking to the media after the questioning, Ambati Rambabu expressed strong displeasure over the police action. He explained that during the funeral of Mudragada, family members had requested that a police guard of honour should not be given. Respecting their wishes, he had intervened and prevented the ceremony from taking place, he said.““However, he alleged that the incident was being used as a pretext to deliberately register cases against him. He accused the coalition government of targeting YSRCP leaders through politically motivated cases



as part of a campaign of vendetta.““Ambati further criticised the government, stating that it was mistaken to believe that the opposition could be intimidated and forced into submission through vindictive politics. He asserted that such actions would not weaken the opposition.““Ambati Rambabu's visit to Kirlam?udi and the subsequent police questioning have once again triggered political discussions across the Jaggampeta Assembly constituency.

Democracy Reduced to a Farce



"The alliance led by the Telugu Desam Party secured a lead in the municipal and *parishad* (local body) elections held in the state. However, proponents of democracy have condemned the autocratic tactics employed by the ruling alliance at every stage of the electoral process. From the very beginning—the nomination phase—there were instances of opposition candidates being obstructed, attacked, and threatened, with nomination papers even being torn up. According to official data, 261 cases were registered across the state during the municipal elections, while 31 cases were filed across 13 districts during the nomination phase of the *parishad* elections; full details regarding the latter are still awaited. Among the cases registered by the police, some were fabricated by the ruling party, while others were filed by individuals who managed to overcome threats and acts of violence to reach the police stations. A significant number of victims could not—or did not—even manage to reach a police station. Reports of opposition agents being forced out of polling stations, instances of violence, electoral rigging, and similar irregularities during the counting process further underscore the gravity of the situation. Winning an election is one thing, but ensuring that opponents have the freedom to compete is quite another. The prevailing public sentiment is that the elections in the state were not conducted in an environment that allowed for such fair competition. Along with the police machinery, the conduct of the State Election Commission (SEC) has also come into question during these elections. On October 21, the Supreme Court intervened and directed the SEC to examine complaints and evidence from candidates who were unable to file their nominations, and to extend the deadline wherever necessary. Following this directive, the deadline for filing nominations in four urban local bodies was extended by 48 hours on October 22. The fact that the ruling coalition's irregularities continued unabated even after the Supreme Court's interim orders is a testament to their brazenness. In reality, the Election Commission ought to have acted independently and transparently, conducting an impartial inquiry into every complaint. It should have scrutinized the evidence of wrongdoing and taken legal action against the perpetrators, regardless of their political affiliation. In instances where allegations were proven true, re-polling should have been conducted in accordance with the rules. It is the responsibility of both the Election Commission and the police force to uphold public trust in the electoral process. Instead, it is widely known that in many places, the police functioned at the behest of the ruling coalition. Furthermore, allegations that nomination papers and 'B-forms'—which were in the custody of returning officers—were torn up are not without basis. Government officials and the police apparatus must remain loyal to the public and to democracy, rather than serving the party in power. While it may be difficult for lower-level employees to act honestly and in accordance with the law under pressure from the ruling party, it is unacceptable for high-ranking officials to succumb to such inducements or pressures. They need to introspect and ask themselves whether they have performed their duties with integrity and sincerity."It is highly inappropriate for YSRCP leader and former Chief Minister Jagan Mohan Reddy to claim, on one hand, that his party is a victim in these elections, while simultaneously signaling—on the other—that if he returns to power, he would act in the same manner, or perhaps even more aggressively."What is the implication of comparing the conduct of these elections to the situation in Bihar and suggesting that such practices would continue if his party were to regain power? If the focus shifts to competing over who can set the state ablaze—turning it into a chaotic inferno—where is the room for development? Democracy is not merely about holding elections or securing a majority of seats; it requires ensuring that the opposition has the right to compete and campaign, and that the public has the freedom to cast their votes. These are fundamental components of a democracy. Using state power and political influence to stifle the opposition's voice or to render them unrepresented is deeply detrimental to democracy. Local governing bodies should reflect the concerns of people in both rural and urban areas; for this to happen, the voice of the opposition must be heard.

Conversely, the stance that the ruling coalition should secure everything is highly undesirable. Despite the intimidating atmosphere created by the ruling coalition, the people—unafraid—ensured the victory of the opposition in a significant number of seats. It is commendable that, rejecting illicit practices such as the distribution of money and liquor, the electorate chose candidates from the Left parties, even if only in a limited number of constituencies. It is the responsibility of every individual to question electoral malpractices, stand by the victims, and oppose the abuse of power. The public must be sensitized and mobilized in this direction.

Vaccines.. A Protective Shield



We have long been familiar with the adage, "Prevention is better than cure." Vaccines serve as a protective shield, capable of warding off life-threatening diseases for a lifetime. It is our fundamental responsibility to ensure that everyone receives vaccinations. According to the World Health Organization, 2 to 3 million children die every year a sobering statistic. Since 1974, vaccination efforts have saved at least 154 million lives. Administering vaccines during childhood provides lifelong protection against various dangerous diseases, including diphtheria, tetanus, polio, measles, COVID-19, pneumonia, and rotavirus-induced diarrhea. These affordable, highly effective, and easily administered vaccines offer a lifelong shield for society. National Vaccination Day should serve as an ongoing platform to raise awareness about vaccines, dispel fears or misconceptions, actively participate in vaccination drives, promote government immunization programs, and honor the healthcare workers who dedicate their services to this vital cause. Let us undertake various initiatives such as promoting vaccination drives aimed at controlling dangerous infectious diseases, reducing infant mortality, improving public health, ensuring affordable access to vaccines, and strengthening community immunity while also working to raise public awareness.

Take action against the predatory Vice-Chancellor: BRS MLAs

Hyderabad: BRS MLAs Sabitha Indra Reddy and Sunitha Lakshma Reddy, along with former Minister Satyavathi Rathod, have demanded action against Aldas Janaiah, the Vice-Chancellor of the Rajendranagar Agriculture University, for harassing female professors. They met with the female professors who were subjected to sexual harassment and extended their support to the professors and students who are currently protesting against the incident.



31.2% Ethanol in Petrol

- Karnataka government's statement sparks a controversy
- Government announces inspections in Kerala as well

Bengaluru: A major dispute has erupted between the Karnataka government and the Union Ministry of Petroleum regarding the quality of E-20 petrol. Karnataka has reported that samples collected from petrol pumps across the state contained up to 31.2% ethanol. In contrast, the Centre and Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) maintain that the fuel adheres to established standards. This has triggered widespread criticism concerning fuel quality, consumer protection, and the national ethanol-blending program."What happened?: The state government collected 63 petrol samples from seven districts, including Bengaluru, Kolar, Chikkaballapur, and Bengaluru Rural. When tested in laboratories accredited by the NABL and certified by the ISO, the results showed that samples from Indian Oil (IOCL) contained up to 31.2% ethanol, while those from HPCL contained up to 30.5%. These findings were disclosed by Karnataka's Minister for Food, Civil Supplies, Consumer Affairs, and Legal Metrology, Rizwan Arshad, during a press conference in Bengaluru on Friday. He explained that nearly four out of every five samples contained more than 20% ethanol. Arshad stated that approximately 99 percent of the vehicles in the country are not designed to handle fuel blends exceeding the E20 limit. He estimated that consumers are incurring losses of around Rs 60,000 crore annually. He demanded the creation of an "E20 Spoilage Fund" to compensate consumers whose vehicles have been damaged. It was also reported that Rs 6.66 lakh in fines had been collected from petrol pumps during the initial phase of inspections. However, IOCL, BPCL, and



HPCL have dismissed these claims. In a joint statement, the companies asserted that the E20 petrol being supplied across the country complies with the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) norm, IS 17021.""Must disclose the exact blend ratio...": Arshad challenged the statement issued by the Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs). "They failed to answer the fundamental question: what exactly was the blend ratio—was it E20, or something higher? Their entire statement focused solely on technicalities. We stand by the results of our tests," he clarified.

He added that they followed the scientific methodology prescribed by the OMCs; the collection of samples was conducted in accordance with the 'Motor Spirit and High Speed ??Diesel Order, 2005,' and the samples were signed off by designated officials and dealers. He further noted that the density of the fuel was recorded on-site. Against the backdrop of these developments, the Kerala government has ordered the testing of petrol samples across the state to independently verify the 31 percent levels reported by Karnataka.

Car loses control and rams into a motorcycle

both vehicles destroyed

Jogulamba Gadwal District: A road accident occurred near Kurvapalli village in Jogulamba Gadwal district. A car, having lost control, rammed forcefully into a motorcycle that was parked on the side of the road. Both the car and the motorcycle were severely damaged in the incident. The impact of the high-speed collision left the motorcycle completely wrecke d, and the car also sustained extensive damage. Fortunately, no one was present at the spot when the accident occurred, averting a major tragedy. Locals breathed a sigh of relief as there was no loss of life in the incident.

Wife murders husband with the help of her lover

- Failed attempt to cover up the crime by framing it as a heart attack
- Brutal act committed because the husband stood in the way of an extramarital affair
- Truth revealed through the post-mortem report"
- Bengaluru police arrest the wife and her lover



Bengaluru: A shocking incident has come to light in Bengaluru. Police have arrested a woman and her lover for murdering her husband who they believed was an obstacle to their extramarital affair and subsequently attempting to pass off the death as a heart attack. The incident took place in Doddathoguru, under the jurisdiction of the Electronic City Police Station."Upendra (41) and Anita (36), a couple originally from Andhra Pradesh, were living in the area. Anita was involved in an extramarital affair with Madhusudhan Reddy (46), who hails from the same village as them. Upon discovering the affair, Upendra issued a stern warning to both of them. Deciding that Upendra was an impediment to their relationship, Anita and Madhusudhan plotted to kill him. Following their plan, they suffocated Upendra to death in the early hours of October 12. They then tried to convince everyone that he had slipped while heading to the bathroom and died of a heart attack. However, following a complaint filed by Upendra's brother, the police registered a case of suspicious death. The investigation took a crucial turn once the post-morte m report was received. Acting on suspicions raised by the report, the police took Madhus udhan into custody on the 5th of this month; upon questioning,he confessed tothe crime. Based on the information he provided, Anita was also arrested the following day, and she too admitted to the truth. Consequently, the police reclassified the case as a murder investigation, produced both suspects before the court, and remanded them to judicial custody. Further investigation into the incident is currently underway.

Impact of investigation into CEO



Nvidia, one of the world's most valuable tech companies, suffered a massive loss in a single day. Controversial allegations against the company's CEO, Jensen Huang, and an internal investigation initiated by the company's board have sparked concern among investors. Consequently, Nvidia shares fell by 4.27% on the US stock market on Monday. This decline wiped out approximately $190 billion (over Rs 17 lakh crore) from the company's market value. By the close of the market, the price per share had dropped by $7.97, settling at $178.67."A $190 billion drop in market value in one day"At the close of trading on Friday, Nvidia's market value stood at approximately $4.5 trillion. During Monday's trading session, the company's market value saw a sharp decline as shares fell by as much as 7.5% at one point. According to a Reuters report, the share price ended the day 4.27% lower at $178.67. As a result, approximately $190 billion of the company's

"Nvidia's market value sheds over Rs 17 lakh crore in a single day!

market value evaporated. In Indian currency, this amount exceeds Rs 17 lakh crore."A drop of two places on the Forbes billionaires list: The decline in Nvidia's share price has impacted Jensen Huang's personal wealth. According to the Forbes Real-Time Billionaires list, his net worth fell by $6.8 billion on November 9, bringing it to $155.4 billion. Consequently, he slipped from the eighth to the tenth position among the world's wealthiest individuals, with Warren Buffett and Larry Ellison moving ahead of him. A significant portion of Huang's wealth is derived from his stake of over 3.5% in Nvidia; therefore, any fluctuations in the company's share price directly affect his net worth."Are concerns regarding AI investments also a factor? Beyond the situation involving Huang, the pressure on Nvidia's shares is also driven by growing investor anxiety surrounding the AI ??sector. There is market skepticism about whether the massive investments being poured into data center construction, power consumption, and AI infrastructure will yield the expected returns. Furthermore, analysts believe that the potential for stricter restrictions and controls on chip exports between the United States and China could pose an additional challenge for Nvidia. An investigation concerning the company is currently underway. Nvidia is scheduled to announce its quarterly financial results on November 17. These results, along with any findings that emerge from the investigation, are likely to influence the future movement of the company's shares."Extramarital affair and allegations of Chinese espionage: Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang has admitted to an extramarital affair with Alice Huang, who is suspected of being a Chinese spy. Reports suggest that Alice developed a close relationship with Jensen and subsequently transferred sensitive information to China. It is reported that in a message sent to his employees regarding this matter, Huang expressed regret for the pain caused to his wife and children. He reportedly apologized for his actions and stated that he would fully cooperate with the company's investigation. In light of these developmen ts, Nvidia's board initiated an inquiry conducted by a committee comprising independent directors and external legal experts. However, the board clarified that there is no reason to believe that national security or Nvidia's confidential information has been compromised. The board also affirme d its continued confidence in Huang's leadership. The Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affa irs has denied the espionage allegations.

Birthday celebrations at government expense perhaps Revanth Reddy is the only one to do so

Niranjan Reddy



Hydrabad: It is known that Chief Minister Revanth Reddy celebrated his birthday on November 8th. However, the fact that a personal occasion was celebrated at the government's expense has now become a subject of debate. Speaking to the media at Telangana Bhavan, former minister Niranjan Reddy remarked that Revanth Reddy might well be the only Chief Minister to have held his birthday celebrations using public funds. He added that no one has an issue with Revanth Reddy celebrating his birthday and, in fact, he offered his own belated birthday wishesbut noted that it istypical only ofRevanth Reddyto host suc h celebrations on platforms funded by the government,engagein politicaldiscourse, an d worse still use those occasions to disparage opposition parties and their leaders.

Indira Gandhi's Anger.. I Would Tremble in My Chair, Says Sonia Gandhi



New Delhi: In her book *Belonging: A Journey of Love*, Sonia Gandhi writes about her mother-in-law, Indira Gandhi. She mentions that whenever Indira Gandhi got angry, she would tremble in her chair. Sonia notes that Indira's temperament revealed the strength and firmness of her character. In the book, Sonia recounts several incidents from her early days after joining the Nehru-Gandhi family. She describes former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi as someone prone to intense anger, recalling how everyone present would tremble whenever Indira's temper flared. Throughout the 544-page book, Sonia shares various insights about Indira. She writes that her mother-in-law would occasionally burst into sudden outbursts, which would leave her—as well as the staff present—completely shaken or frozen in place. Sonia also shares an anecdote about a staff member who failed to remind Indira of an important appointment; as a result, Indira made the individual stand in a corner of the room. In another instance, she mentions a man dressed in a *kurta* and *dhoti* who was made to stand in the room for the entire day. In her book, Sonia writes that she used to spend half an hour every day with 'Ami Aunty,' a senior member of Indira Gandhi's staff. She recalls an incident where a senior political leader, following Indira's instructions, stood pressed against the wall of a room. Sonia notes that Indira had a unique way of expressing her displeasure—she would simply choose to ignore such individuals entirely. She also mentions that there were times when Indira Gandhi would become quite agitated even while at the dining table; on days when something intense occurred in Parliament, Indira's anger would carry over to mealtimes. Sonia recounts one instance where her mother-in-law, Indira, threw her dinner plate onto the dining table.""Sonia admits that, initially, Indira's outbursts used to unsettle her, reminding her of her own father's temper. She writes that there were moments when she would be deeply shaken—even trembling. During such episodes, both Rajiv Gandhi and Sanjay Gandhi would sit in silence, waiting for the storm to pass. Rajiv would reassure her, telling her not to be afraid and explaining that his mother would eventually return to her normal self. In her book, Sonia writes that before she truly understood Indira, she would tremble even while sitting in a chair in her presence. Sonia notes that while Indira might occasionally give in to fits of temper, she would later express regret. However, she would never forgive those who betrayed her trust; such individuals were permanently cast out of her life.""Sonia mentions that Indira Gandhi had a great fondness for old photographs, sarees, and Kashmiri shawls. She would organize the old photographs chronologically. At times, she would take out her sarees and arrange them in a systematic way—sometimes bundling specific sarees together and attaching tags to them. She would also keep sarees that had been worn once separate from the others. Occasionally, Indira would gift some of her sarees to relatives. Sonia adds that Indira had a deep love for sarees and even kept her own mother's sarees in her cupboard. Furthermore, Sonia observes that Indira's temper mellowed somewhat after she became a grandmother. Sonia wrote that as her children grew older, she would send them to Indira first—partly to gauge her mood—but the moment they arrived, Indira's heart would soften like butter. Whether the children laughed or asked an innocent question, Indira would melt; Sonia noted in her book that, at such moments, Indira would become completely relaxed.

Complete All Arrangements for CII Partnership Summit

Collector"Collector M. Abhishikt Kishore Inspects Summit Venue at Andhra University Engineering College Grounds"Emphasis on Security, Transport, Parking, Sanitation and Guest Facilities"Command Control Room to Ensure Continuous Monitoring and Interdepartmental Coordination



Visakhapatnam, Pen Power, November 10: District Collector M. Abhishikt Kishore has directed officials to complete all arrangements for the prestigious CII Partnership Summit, scheduled to be held on November 12 and 13 at the Andhra University Engineering College Grounds in Visakhapatnam, ensuring that the international event is conducted smoothly and efficiently."The Collector, accompanied by Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC) Commissioner Ketan Garg, senior officials from various departments and representatives of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), inspected the summit venue on Tuesday and reviewed the progress of ongoing preparations.""During the inspection, the Collector examined the infrastructure facilities being developed at the venue and assessed arrangements relating to transportation, parking, security, sanitation and amenities for delegates and distinguished guests. He instructed officials to maintain close coordination among departments and complete all pending works within the stipulated deadlines."Highlighting the importance of the summit, the Collector stressed that special attention must be given to ensuring a comfortable and hassle-free experience for industrialists, business leaders, dignitaries and other delegates attending the two-day event.""Following the field inspection, the Collector visited the Command Control Room established at the Collectorate's Video Conference Hall and meeting facilities. He reviewed the monitoring mechanisms, coordination procedures and services being managed through the control room."The Collector directed officials to ensure continuous monitoring of summit-related activities through the Command Control Room and maintain effective communication among all departments to address emerging issues without delay."He further emphasised the need for advance contingency planning to deal with unforeseen situations and instructed officials to remain fully prepared to respond promptly to emergencies.""The Collector made it clear that every department must discharge its responsibilities with utmost commitment, efficiency and accountability to ensure the successful organisation of the summit."He reiterated that coordinated efforts, timely completion of infrastructure works and meticulous attention to operational arrangements would be essential for the smooth conduct of the prestigious industrial gathering in Visakhapatnam.

Scientific Lectures Mark the Second Day of AICTE–ATAL Sponsored Training Programme

Gandepalli, Pen Power, November 10: The second day of the three-day training programme on "Recent Trends in Artificial Intelligence-Driven Advanced Nanomaterials and Their Sustainable Development," sponsored by the AICTE–ATAL scheme and organised by the Department of Chemistry at Aditya University, featured a series of insightful scientific lectures by eminent experts on November 10, 2026.""During the first technical session held in the morning, Dr. Somasekhara Rao, an eminent expert from IIT Tirupati, delivered a lecture on "Nanomaterials and Their Applications." He explained the various methods of nanomaterial synthesis, their unique physical and chemical properties, and their applications in the fields of medicine, industry, agriculture and environmental science. He also highlighted the growing importance of nanotechnology in modern scientific and technological research with relevant examples.""The second technical session, held in the afternoon, featured Dr. M.V.A. Raju from the National Institute of Technology (NIT), Puducherry, who delivered a lecture on "Nanomaterials in Biomedical Devices and Their Applications." He elaborated on the use of nanomaterials in biosensors, medical diagnostic devices, disease detection and healthcare. He also explained the immense potential of nanotechnology in developing highly sensitive, rapid and efficient medical diagnostic equipment. Faculty members, researchers and students from various colleges and universities actively participated in the programme. The participants interacted with the experts, engaged in meaningful discussions and clarified their queries on various scientific and technological aspects.""The second day concluded with valuable insights into the latest advancements in nanomaterials and their potential role in sustainable technological development.



Pawan and Anna end their 13-year marriage



Announcement of separation

- Announcement made that they are parting ways with mutual respect
- Couple affirms they will remain r esponsible parents to their children
- Met 13 years ago during the making of the film ‘Teen Maar’
- Request that their personal privacy be respected

“Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister and Jana Sena Party chief, Pawan Kalyan, along with his third wife, Anna Lezhneva, have announced the end of their marriage. In a joint statement released on Monday night—issued through the Jana Sena Party’s official media channel the couple stated that they have decided to conclude their 13-year-long marital union with mutual understanding and respect.“"After spending a significant part of our lives together, we have decided to part ways with mutual understanding and respect. Although our marriage has come to an end, we will remain good friends and continue to be responsible parents to our wonderful children," the statement read. Emphasizing that the happiness and well-being of their children remain their top priority, they requested that their personal privacy be respected during this time.“Pawan Kalyan first met Anna Lezhneva, a Russian national, in 2011 during the filming of the movie 'Teen Maar'. Two years later, on September 30, 2013, they were married in Hyderabad under the Special Marriage Act. The couple has a daughter, Polena Anjana Pawanova, and a son, Mark Shankar Pawanovich.“This was Pawan Kalyan’s third marriage. He was previously married to Nandini in 1997, and the couple divorced in 2008. Subsequently, he married actress Renu Desai in 2009, and the couple separated in 2012. Pawan and Renu Desai have two children together.

“Following this announcement, sources within the Jana Sena Party confirmed the development, though they declined to provide further comment on the matter. It is understood that discussions between the two parties had been ongoing for several months, and a petition for divorce by mutual consent has been filed in the family court.

A Stellar Business Deal for ‘Haindava’

“At one point, young Tollywood hero Bellamkonda Sai Sreenivas enjoyed significant popularity not only in the Telugu states but also in the Hindi market. His films, in particular, garnered immense traction through their Hindi-dubbed versions. There was a strong demand for his movies not just on YouTube, but also across television and OTT platforms in North India. Consequently, a large portion of the production costs was typically recovered through the sale of non-theatrical rights. However, shifting circumstances have brought about several changes in this market. With OTT platforms now exercising greater caution in acquiring films, securing digital rights has become a challenge—even for movies featuring major stars. Against this backdrop, ‘Haindava,’ the latest film starring Bellamkonda Sai Sreenivas, is drawing attention for its impressive non-theatrical business.“Previously, Tollywood films generated substantial revenue through Hindi-dubbed, satellite, and digital rights. Companies were often willing to pay hefty sums for dubbing rights, recognizing the strong appeal that action-oriented films held among North Indian audiences. Recently, however, the landscape of the OTT market has undergone a transformation. Digital platforms are now finalizing deals only after carefully evaluating factors such as content quality, the market appeal of the lead actors, the film's release date, and audience response.

In some cases, these platforms prefer to acquire rights only after the film’s theatrical performance is known, rather than before its release. This has created



a degree of uncertainty for producers regarding non-theatrical revenue. Against this backdrop, a business offer received for the film 'Haindava' has reportedly come as a major relief to its producers. It is understood that the prominent media conglomerate Zee has made a substantial offer for 'Haindava,'

which stars Bellamkonda Sai Sreenivas.

Industry circles suggest that Zee has secured the non-theatrical rights for the film for approximately ?30 crore. Securing a deal of this magnitude is particularly noteworthy given the current slowdown in the market for OTT and other non-theatrical rights. Additionally, it is reported that another ?2 crore has been generated through the film's audio rights. Consequently, the total business from non-theatrical and audio rights concluded even before the film's releaseis said to amount to ?32 crore. If this deal is confirmed, it represents a significant achievement for 'Haindava' under the prevailing market conditions.



India vs New Zealand

Third ODI abandoned without a single ball bowled

- Shubman Gill wins the toss and elects to bowl
- Captain decides to field the same Indian side, making no changes
- Play interrupted as heavy rain returns
- India leads the five-match series 2-0
- Fourth ODI to be held at Bay Oval on November 13

Rain disrupted the third ODI between India and New Zealand. The match, scheduled for Tuesday at Seddon Park in Hamilton, was abandoned without a single ball being bowled. Consequently, India maintains a 2-0 lead in the five-match ODI series. The toss was delayed due to persistent rain since the morning and had to be postponed several times. A brief break in the rain allowed for the toss to take place; Indian captain Shubman Gill won it and elected to bowl first. Having won the toss for the third consecutive time, Gill decided to field the same team that played in the previous two matches. Arrangements were made to shorten the match to 40 overs per side. However, just as preparations for the start of the match were underway, the rain returned. As it intensified shortly after, the ground was covered once again, and the players retreated to their dressing rooms. The cut-off time to conduct a 20-over match was 7:50 PM New Zealand time. Although there were still 70 minutes remaining until that deadline, the umpires decided to call off the match as there were no signs of the rain subsiding. With the third ODI abandoned, India maintains a 2-0 lead in the series. Both teams will now travel to Tauranga for the remaining two matches. The fourth ODI is scheduled for November 13 at Bay Oval, and the fifth ODI will take place on November 15.

Actress Priya Bhavani Shankar to Tie the Knot Soon



Priya Bhavani Shankar, who has carved a niche for herself in the Tamil film industry, is set to embark on a new chapter in her life marriage. It is reported that the actress, who has been in a relationship with her boyfriend, Rajvel Raj, for the past few years, is now preparing to tie the knot. Recent photos shared by Priya on her social media accounts have further fueled these speculations, prompting fans and netizen s to send their early congratulations to the couple. Priya shared a few special images via her Instagram stories.“In these photos, she looks radiant in traditional attire, adorned with garlands of jasmine flowers. She also shared pictures showing her hands decorated with henna (mehndi). Seeing these, fans believe that wedding festivities have already begun at her home. It is understood that these celebrations have commenced in the presence of family members and close associates. However, it remains to be confirmed whether these are indeed official pre-wedding ceremonies, and details regarding the actual wedding date are yet to be clarified by Priya herself. As for the love story of Priya Bhavani Shankar and Rajvel Raj, the two have known each other since their college days. Their acquaintance eventually blossomed into love, and they have been nurturing their relationship ever since, built on a deep mutual understanding. Having been in a relationship for over a decade, this couple has largely kept their personal life private. In 2022, they drew significant attention from fans when they purchased their dream home together. Since then, fans have been eagerly awaiting news of their wedding. Now, with the photos shared by Priya, it seems that the long wait may soon come to an end. According to current reports, Priya Bhavani Shankar intends to marry her boyfriend, Rajvel Raj, in the presence of family members and close love d ones. It is rumored that both families are preparing for a traditional ceremony, opting for an intimate affair rather than a grand, high-profile event. However, the couple has not yet officially announced the wedding date or the venue.

Superstar Mahesh Babu praises Suriya’s film ‘Seen’



The recent crime-comedy film ‘Seen,’ starring Suriya and directed by Jithu Madhavan, is proving to be a sensational success at the box office. Released on November 6, the film has set remarkable records, grossing over ?150 crore worldwide in just four days. Suriya has captivated the audience with his powerful performance as a police officer.“After watching the film, Tollywood Superstar Mahesh Babu took to social media to shower praise upon it. He described ‘Seen’ as a fantastic movie—cool, clever, and highly entertaining.

He noted that Suriya delivered an extraordinary performance, while Nazriya and Naslen also impressed with their acting. Mahesh Babu lauded director Jithu Madhavan’s writing and execution, highlighting that every department contributed to the film’s success. He further remarked that ‘Seen’ is a must-watch film for everyone.

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