

## Steps to Ensure Smooth CMR Rice Delivery – Additional Collector Srinivasa Reddy

“Arvapalli Nagesh khammam Staff Report March 4,(Indian Chronicle):“Additional Collector P. Srinivasa Reddy directed officials to take necessary measures to ensure that there are no difficulties in the delivery of CMR rice.“The Additional Collector conducted a meeting on Wednesday at the Collectorate Conference Hall with warehouse managers and MLS point in-charges regarding CMR rice delivery. Speaking on the occasion, Additional Collector P. Srinivasa Reddy stated that rice millers should arrange the required number of hamalis (loading workers) to ensure timely unloading of ACK supplies delivered to SWC godowns. He emphasized that full cooperation should be extended to rice millers to prevent any delay in CMR rice delivery. He also instructed officials to issue proper receipts to rice millers based on the stock received at the godowns. District Civil Supplies Corporation Manager Srilatha, District Rice Millers Association President Bomma Rajeswara Rao, warehouse managers, concerned officials, and others participated in the meeting.“Issued by the District Public Relations Officer’s Office, Khammam.



## New Committee Elected for Telangana Activists Forum – State Chairman Dr. Cheema Srinivas Attends as Chief Guest



“Arvapalli Nagesh khammam Staff Report March 4,(Indian Chronicle):“State Chairman Dr. Cheema Srinivas attended the meeting of the Telangana Activists Forum as the chief guest. During the meeting, the existing committee was dissolved and a new committee was elected. Dr. Palakurthi Krishna was appointed as the President of the undivided Khammam district unit of the Telangana Activists Forum.

Appointment letters were handed over to him and several other newly appointed members. Speaking on the occasion, the leaders urged the Congress government to immediately fulfill the promises made before the elections to activists who fought for the formation of a separate Telangana state, without further delay. Khammam District Media In-charge Manda Venkateswarlu, State Secretary Ashok Singh, State Vice President L.S. Reddy, Paleru Constituency In-charge Edurugatta Chittimallu, and district leaders Venkateswara Rao, Ramakrishna, Avibiya Dhanalakshmi, Krishna Babu, and others participated in the program.“



# Public Struggles Must Grow: CPI (ML) Mass Line Leader Pasham Apparao



“Arvapalli Nagesh khammam Staff Report March 4, (Indian Chronicle): “A public meeting was held in Ellannagar village under the ship of Gandikota Ramesh, Village Committee Secretary of CPI (ML) Mass Line, to mark the 10th death anniversary of Comrade Rayala Subhash Chandra Bose. A rally was also organized in the village as part of the commemoration. Addressing the gathering, CPI (ML) Mass Line Wyra Division leader Pasham Apparao said that Comrade Rayala Subhash Chandra Bose emerged as a revolutionary force from the soil of Telangana and the struggles of Khammam district. He dedicated his life to the revolutionary movement, spending nearly 50 years underground. Rising from student movements to forest-based struggles, he grew as a military commander and organizer. He served as the State Secretary of the party for about 26 years. Apparao stated that Bose continuously studied the changing conditions in society and thoughtfully worked on adapting strategies and policies to suit evolving circumstances. He said the dream of a socialist society envisioned by Comrade Ravanna remains a noble goal yet to be achieved.” He added that the communist movement is fac-

ing many complex challenges, including ideological rigidity, growing religious fanaticism, fascism, and reactionary development policies that are negatively impacting the country's economic, political, cultural, and social spheres. He alleged that corporate dominance and capitalism are strengthening, while democratic institutions are being weakened. Apparao emphasized that in the present situation, not only revolutionaries but all democratic forces must unite and intensify struggles to protect democracy. He criticized the central government's actions against Maoist movements and expressed concern over what he described as authoritarian tendencies suppressing democratic aspirations. He called upon revolutionary sympathizers and democratic-minded people to participate in the 10th death anniversary meeting of Comrade Ravanna, which will be held on the 10th of this month at 10:00 AM at Sundarayya Vignana Kendram in Hyderabad, under the leadership of CPI (ML) Mass Line and the Ravanna Trust. “Several party leaders and activists, including Gogula Somulu, Gandikota Babu, Rapolu Krishna, Gandikota Lakshman, Gogula Venkanna, Gugulothu Lal Singh, Dharavath Raf, Sunitha, Maroni Lali, Mathu, Ethara Ramesh, Koncham Ramesh, Alakunta Srinu, Alakunta Venkanna, Pedda Ramulu, Sriram, and Vamsi, participated in the program.

## Dedicated Communist Avula Babu Passes Away

“Arvapalli Nagesh khammam Staff Report March 4, (Indian Chronicle): “Communist Party of India (CPI) National Council Member Bhagam Hemanth Rao paid rich tributes to senior party leader Avula Babu, stating that he lived his entire life as a committed communist holding the red flag high. Avula Babu (58), a senior CPI leader from Baswapuram village, passed away due to a heart attack on Tuesday night.

Upon receiving the news, Bhagam Hemanth Rao reached Baswapuram on Wednesday, draped the party flag over Babu's mortal remains, and offered floral tributes. Speaking on the occasion, Hemanth Rao recalled that Babu had been associated with the party since his childhood and actively participated in every program called by the party, always standing in the forefront. He assured that the party would extend full support to Babu's family at all times. Among those who paid their respects were Party District Secretary Dandi Suresh, Assistant Secretary Jammula Jitender Reddy, District Executive Members Tati Venkateswarlu and Pavuluri Mallikarjuna Rao, District Council Member Rasala Mohan Rao, Mandal Assistant Secretary Margam Srinu, former MPP Kanneboyina Vijayamma, Sarpanch Avula Narasimharao, Deputy Sarpanch Chandrakani Narasimharao, former Sarpanches Rasala Sambalakshmi and Boddu Nugunamma, Branch Secretary Baddala Narasimharao, and leaders Burra Anjaiah and Boddu Kondala Rao, along with several others.



# Village Residents Donate Rs 40,000 for Establishment of Library



“Arvapalli Nagesh khammam Staff Report March 4, (Indian Chronicle): “In a generous gesture to promote education, residents of Arempula village in Khammam Rural Mandal contributed ₹40,000 towards the establishment of a village library. The donation program was organized under the leadership of former Rural Mandal Sarpanches’ Association President and Congress Party District Leader Bandi Jagadeesh, Sarpanch Bandi Satish, and Deputy Sarpanch Shaik Dawood. Village residents Meesala Nageswara Rao, Honorary President of the State Artists’ Association, and Meda Satish of the Police Department jointly contributed ₹20,000 each, totaling ₹40,000. They handed over the cheques to the Sarpanch and Deputy Sarpanch for the development of the library. Speaking on the occasion, the donors stated that serving one’s native village is as important as serving one’s own parents. They assured continued support for the development of the library and expressed their commitment to being at the forefront of village development initiatives. They said the library would provide all necessary books and study materials to help village youth stay on the right path, avoid bad habits, and prepare effectively for competitive examinations such as NEET, Group exams, and other major entrance and main examinations, enabling them to achieve merit and secure bright futures. They appealed to people from all sections of the village — political leaders, businesspersons, employees, and others — to extend their support for the development of the library for the benefit of students. They also encouraged students and competitive exam aspirants to make proper use of the library and bring recognition to the village. Among those present at the event were Gram Panchayat Secretary Kiran, village elders Pappula Ramana and Perumallapalli Ramesh Babu, Primary School Headmasters Amanchi Satyanarayana and Nagul Meera, senior journalist Pappula Venugopal, and villagers Shankar, Phani Kumar, Muthiah, Ravinder, Dharmendra, Kanni, and others.

# Good Eyesight Is Crucial in the Driving Profession: Traffic Inspector

“Arvapalli Nagesh khammam Staff Report March 4, (Indian Chronicle): “Traffic Inspector Satyanarayana stated that good eyesight is extremely important in the driving profession and that vehicles can be driven efficiently only when vision is clear. As part of the second phase of the “Arrive Alive” awareness program aimed at preventing road accidents, a free eye medical camp was organized for heavy vehicle drivers traveling on the MTR Circle Highway in the city. The program was conducted under the supervision of Traffic ACP Srinivasulu. Along with creating awareness about road safety, the camp was organized with the support of Max Vision Eye Hospital. On this occasion, drivers were given detailed information about the traffic rules and safety measures they must follow while driving. More than 110 drivers underwent free eye examinations during the camp and were provided with necessary medical advice. Officials pointed out that it is natural for eyesight to weaken with age and advised drivers to undergo regular eye check-ups and take appropriate precautions. They emphasized that clear vision helps drivers correctly identify traffic signals and road signs, enabling them to drive safely. The eye screening camp was conducted in view of the fact that many drivers tend to neglect their eye health.



# Singireddy Padma Reddy Receives Blessings of Sri Tridandi Chinna Jeeyar Swamy - Sri Venkateswara Swamy Temple Consecration Begins at PNT Colony



“NARRA SRINIVAS REDDY (NSR), Medchal - Malkajgiri Staff Reporter, March 4, (Indian chronicle):“The consecration ceremonies of the newly constructed Sri Bhoo Neela Venkateswara Swamy Temple commenced in a grand manner at PNT Colony under Boduppal Circle of the Malkajgiri Municipal Corporation. The rituals began under the guidance of Sri Tridandi Chinna Jeeyar Swamy, with the sacred Ankurarpana (seed sowing ritual) and Yantra Pratishta performed with traditional Vedic procedures. On the occasion, former Boduppal Corporator Singireddy Padma Reddy received blessings from Chinna Jeeyar Swamy and participated in the inaugural rituals. Devotees from the surrounding areas attended the ceremony in large numbers, marking the beginning of the temple's consecration celebrations with spiritual fervor and devotion.

# Khammam Rangotsav Holi Mela Celebrated Grandly at Pavilion Grounds

“A V N Reddy Khammam Bureau March 4, (Indian Chronicle):“The Khammam Rangotsav Holi Mela was celebrated in a grand manner at the Pavilion Grounds in Khammam on Wednesday. The event was organized by TRR Ortho Accident Care in association with several other organizations. “Thousands of young men and women enthusiastically participated in the celebrations. The highlight of the event was the performance by the Jabardasth team, who entertained the crowd with lively dance and music performances. The entire venue turned vibrant as participants played with colors, exchanged greetings, and enjoyed the festive spirit with great excitement. “BRS district leader Thota Ramarao attended the event as the chief guest and formally inaugurated the celebrations. Amid loud cheers from the youth, he also joined in the festivities, dancing and participating in the Holi celebrations. Addressing the gathering, he described Holi as a festival of colors, love, and joy that symbolizes the victory of good over evil. He said that during this festival, people forget differences of caste and religion, celebrate together in friendship, and spread happiness. He expressed hope that the festival would fill everyone's lives with vibrant colors and joy. He also urged people to celebrate Holi safely using natural, chemical-free colors. Congratulating the organizers for conducting such a grand event in Khammam, he extended Holi greetings to all participants. Members of the Jabardasth team captivated the audience with their dances and songs. Special appreciation was extended to the youth and the people of Khammam city for their enthusiastic participation. Among others who attended the event were Dr. Thota Lakshman, Thota Ramesh, Kotayya, Kishan Naik, Mahesh Ravinder, Veerender, Mote Kumar, and several other representatives.



# Thammineni Is a Force... Will Strengthen the Party Again as Khammam District Tiger

— Kommu Srinivasa Rao“AvnReddy Khammam Bureau March 4,(Indian Chronicle):“Senior CPM leader Thammineni Veerabhadram is a powerful force and a roaring tiger of Khammam district, said former MPP and ZPTC Kommu Srinivasa Rao. He described Thammineni as a fearless leader who never bows to anyone and a warrior who made political opponents tremble. He praised him as a committed Communist leader who worked tirelessly to keep the party strong among the people despite personal criticism and many challenges. He alleged that some individuals are deliberately spreading misinformation regarding internal party matters. Although the party follows a structured committee-based decision-making process, hostile forces are engaged in conspiratorial propaganda, he said. He clarified that while some are under misconceptions about internal developments, the actual situation is different. He stated that from Teldarupalli, Thammineni is strategizing to restore the party’s former glory in the district. He expressed confidence that under Thammineni’s leadership, CPM will regain strength in the coming days with proper planning in place.“Thammineni Veerabhadram – A Lifelong Student, Tireless Worker“Supporters have described former MP, MLA, and CPM Central Committee member Thammineni Veerabhadram as a lifelong learner, relentless worker, torchbearer of movements, and architect of struggles. They say his political journey stands out as a “brand ambassador” of padayatras (foot marches) and as an elder figure among Left parties. He is remembered as a courageous leader who instilled fear in governments both in united Andhra Pradesh and in present-day Telangana. He is credited with uniting Left forces and leading struggles for the development of Telangana and for resolving issues related to Mallannasagar displaced families. He also undertook padayatras for the development of the undivided district and cycle yatras in united Andhra Pradesh for Dalit welfare, establishing himself as a committed Marxist. Party circles say that by balancing mass and class politics, Thammineni Veerabhadram has emerged as a visible and vocal leader in the Telugu states. His journey continues at the forefront of struggles concerning public issues.“Why the Hostility Against Thammineni?“Criticism Becomes a Topic of Discussion in CPM“Party cadres state that CPM has a glorious history of sacrifices and has led numerous successful public struggles. Political observers note that there is hardly any region in Khammam district where CPM has no influence. Along with senior leaders like Manchikanti, Bodepudi, Chirravuri, Ravella, Eluri, K.L., and Parsa, Thammineni Veerabhadram also played a key role in building CPM as a strong political force in the district, party sources say. However, recent criticism and allegations against him have sparked discussions both within and outside the party. Supporters recall his “Mahaprasthanam” padayatra



demanding that Godavari waters be supplied to every farmer in the undivided Khammam district. They point out that he continued the struggle despite suffering foot injuries. Party leaders also highlight his efforts for marginalized communities. They say he closely worked with SC and ST families, addressed their issues, and fought against discrimination. He also played a crucial role in the “Mahajana Padayatra” organized as per party decisions for the upliftment of marginalized sections in Telangana. Supporters have expressed concern over recent criticism using terms such as “impeachment” against him. They emphasize that in CPM, internal matters are discussed and resolved through committee decisions, and ideology takes precedence over individuals. They maintain that differences of opinion are natural in a disciplined party like CPM and should be resolved internally. The question of whether there is a political angle behind the criticism of Thammineni has also become a subject of debate in the district.

## Grand Festival of Sri Sri Sri Lakshmi Ankamamma Devi – Komatlagudem



“Avn Reddy Khammam Bureau March 4,(Indian Chronicle):“The three-day annual festival of Sri Sri Sri Lakshmi Ankamma Temple entered its third day in Komatlagudem village, celebrated with devotion and colorful grandeur. Early in the morning, Sri Annipedi Yashwanth Ayyavaru performed special rituals and abhishekam at the temple. Village elders, devotees, and young participants took part in the ceremonies with enthusiasm.“As part of traditional rituals, devotees collected water droplets, turmeric, and kumkum, measured rice, and offered the measured rice as naivedyam (offering) to the deity. The temple was decorated elaborately with garlands, flowers, and lamps, creating a festive and devotional atmosphere. In the afternoon, the Sri Hariharaputra Ayyappa Kolata Society, supported financially by the A R Memorial Youth Association, conducted a Kolatam (stick dance) program. Young men and women participated in the dance with devotional songs, folk rhythms, and traditional rituals, adding energy and color to the event.“Subsequently, flower offerings were made to receive the blessings of the goddess, and prasadam (Bhandaru) was distributed to devotees. The procession of Ankamma Devi’s chariot through the village streets further enhanced the festive atmosphere and devotion. “Temple committee member Avuluri Yugandhar Reddy stated, “For the past 28 years, we have been organizing the Sri Sri Sri Lakshmi Ankamma Devi festival with devotion and cooperation from village elders, youth, and devotees. During this festival, young participants wear garlands of the goddess, sing devotional songs, and play Kolata, seeking divine blessings. Village leaders, elders, and youth actively participate every year.“Devotees noted that the festival is not just a religious celebration but also an opportunity to preserve local traditions and cultural identity. It provides a platform for young people to learn and practice traditional customs. Participants experience devotion, joy, and community spirit, strengthening unity and collective celebration in the village. On the final day, the festival will feature the grand chariot procession, distribution of prasadam to devotees, and special rituals. The festival continues to attract devotees and visitors from nearby areas, bringing youth, villagers, and devotees together, while promoting social and cultural well-being in the community.



## Top Maoist Leader Ganapathi Likely to Surrender

“Indian Chronicle (Taj Khan) March 4, ““Senior Maoist Leader Muppala Laxman Rao Reportedly Set to Surrender”“Hyderabad/New Delhi:“Senior Maoist leader Muppala Laxman Rao, popularly known as Ganapathi, is reportedly preparing to surrender, according to reliable sources.”“Reports indicate that he may surrender in the presence of Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy in New Delhi, after which he is likely to be handed over to the central authorities.”Ganapathi, a native of Sarangapur in Karimnagar district, has played a key role in the Maoist movement for several decades. When various underground groups united to form the Maoist Party, he served as its first General Secretary.”For some time now, there have been reports suggesting that he has been staying in Nepal. However, official confirmation regarding his surrender is yet to be announced.

## Sonalika Delivers Best ever February overall sales of 12,890 Tractors, Celebrating 30 Years of Farmer Trust

Hyderabad:

In its landmark 30th year of nation-building through agricultural mechanisation, Sonalika Tractors has added a new golden chapter to its journey by recording its highest ever February overall sales of 12,890 tractors in FY'26. The new historic performance is a powerful affirmation of its robust execution at scale and embodiment of Sonalika's core belief of delivering 'Jeetne Ka Dum' – an inherent strength promising a vibrant future for farmers. As precision farming and advanced agri-technologies gain ground across regions, Sonalika continues to combine product innovation with deep farmer engagement and agile market outreach to stay ahead of the curve.

Sharing his thoughts on the new record performance, Mr Raman Mittal, Joint Managing Director, International Tractors Limited, said “The real 'Jeetne ka Dum' has always belonged to farmers who rise every day to cultivate progress in their fields. We take it as our responsibility to engineer heavy duty tractors that amplify farmer's ambitions and determination to succeed in life. Clocking our record February performance of 12,890 overall tractor sales in this special 30th year milestone is indeed special for us and reinforces the brand's position as a growth catalyst for India's agricultural transformation. This landmark year also renews our responsibility to transform farmer's India's agricultural ecosystem is witnessing a defining phase with strong policy support, accelerated mechanisation through digital initiatives, improved credit accessibility as well as enhanced rural infrastructure spending aimed at increasing farm productivity and income. Sonalika has consistently pushed global engineering excellence by developing future ready tractors such as the recently launched Sonalika Gold series that is aligned with grassroots agricultural realities, ensuring future security like gold and long-term value creation for farmers. Sonalika believes mechanisation is more than a necessity for sustainable farming and remains aligned, agile, and ambitious to further strengthen its role as a long-term growth partner to the Indian farmer.



# Apollo Hospitals Vice Chairperson Upasana Kamineni Konidela Inaugurates 1000th Apollo Pharmacy Store in Telangana



Hyderabad:

Upasana Kamineni Konidela, Vice Chairperson – CSR, Apollo Hospitals, inaugurated the 1000th Apollo Pharmacy store in Telangana, marking a significant milestone in Apollo's continued effort to expand access to quality healthcare. India's largest and most trusted pharmacy network now operates across all 33 districts of Telangana and employs more than 10,000 people across its retail, digital and supply chain ecosystem.

1,000 stores in Telangana

Presence in all 33 districts

50,000+ medicines and wellness products

1.65 lakh daily medicine orders

10,000+ employees

25 lakh Apollo 24/7 users

200+ new stores planned over next three years

The network provides access to over 50,000 genuine medicines and

wellness essentials round the clock, with quick delivery facilities available across all districts, strengthening essential healthcare access across urban and semi-urban communities. Apollo currently services more than 1.65 lakh medicine orders daily and plans to add over 200 new pharmacy stores in Telangana over the next three years.

Expressing her thoughts on the milestone, Upasana Kamineni Konidela said, "This milestone is not only about expanding access to quality healthcare, but also about creating meaningful and sustainable employment opportunities especially for women across Telangana. As we grow, we are committed to building inclusive workplaces that empower women with stable careers, leadership opportunities, and financial independence, enabling them to uplift their families and communities."

Through its omni-channel platform, Apollo 24/7, Apollo offers an integrated continuum of care including teleconsultations with Apollo doctors, diagnostic services, and customised insurance solutions all accessible from the comfort of home.



# Divorce can't be granted citing cruelty based on WhatsApp chat without rebuttal chance to spouse: HC

Divorce cannot be granted on grounds of alleged cruelty merely based on WhatsApp chats without giving the spouse a chance to rebut, the Bombay High Court has said.

A bench of Justices Bharati Dangre and Manjusha Deshpande last week quashed an order passed by the Nashik district family court allowing an application filed by a man seeking divorce from his wife on grounds of cruelty.

The woman moved the high court, challenging the family court order claiming that the same was passed ex-parte and without giving her an opportunity to oppose or put forth her arguments.

The family court, in its May 2025 order, relied on a WhatsApp chat submitted by the man in which the woman demanded that they shift from Nashik to Pune to live separately, and also in which she allegedly made derogatory comments against her mother-in-law and sister-in-law.

The family court noted that the wife had used pressure tactics, emotional blackmail and intemperate language in the WhatsApp chat and held that cruelty was meted against the husband and hence he was entitled to divorce.

The high court, in its order, noted that the family court failed to give an opportunity to the wife to rebut the evidence (WhatsApp chats) submitted by the husband.

"Merely relying on the WhatsApp chat, the divorce decree cannot be granted, since it is not proved by leading evidence," the HC said.

Hence, the order granting decree of divorce needs to be set aside and the matter needs to be remanded to the family court so that the wife is granted an opportunity to be heard and submit evidence, it said.

The court said that while the family court decides the matter afresh, the estranged couple can explore the possibility of settlement through mediation.