

Farmers' Produce Not Being Procured: Telangana Rythu Sangham Slams Government

“Khammam Bonakal, May 03(INDIAN CHRONICLE):“Telangana Rythu Sangham State President and CPM State Secretariat member Pothineni Sudarshan Rao strongly criticized the Congress government, calling it ineffective and incapable of procuring farmers' produce. He alleged that despite having three ministers in the district, there has been no benefit to farmers.“He stated that the government lacks both a clear agricultural policy and sincerity towards farmers' welfare. According to him, procurement processes only move forward when farmers stage protests, otherwise even the grain bags remain stuck at procurement centers.“On Sunday, Sudarshan Rao, along with Telangana Rythu Sangham district secretary Bonthu Rambabu and other leaders, visited Lakshmipuram and Ravinutala societies under Bonakal mandal in Khammam district. They inspected maize stocks lying in yards and procurement centers, highlighting the difficulties faced by farmers due to delays.



Eligibility is the Only Criterion, No Room for Politics Second Phase of 'Indiramma' Housing to Be Sanctioned Soon



“Minister Ponguleti Assures at Kusumanchi Praja Darbar“Khammam Kusumanchi May 03 (INDIAN CHRONICLE): “Telangana Revenue, Housing, and Information Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy stated that the government's goal is to resolve public issues without citizens having to visit government offices repeatedly. Instead, officials are reaching out directly to people, collecting petitions, and addressing them promptly.“He participated in a Praja Darbar held on Sunday at the Zilla Parishad High School premises in Kusumanchi, along with District Collector Divakar T.S. and Additional Collector Dr. P. Sreeja. The minister personally received grievances from the public.“He emphasized that since the formation of the current government, transparent governance has been brought to people's doorsteps. Every application is being carefully reviewed, and swift action is being taken to resolve issues.“In the Paleru constituency, Praja Darbars are being conducted by dividing mandals into clusters. The minister assured that all genuine applications will be resolved without any political bias. The government is also working towards permanent solutions for long-pending issues such as land records, Sada Bainama, and prohibited land lists.“He noted that through the 99-day Praja Palana progress plan, welfare schemes are being delivered more efficiently. Ensuring justice to every eligible citizen is the government's responsibility, with no room for delays.“The minister mentioned that most applications received during Praja Darbars are for Indiramma housing. He criticized the previous government for the current situation. He announced that housing construction funds are being directly deposited into beneficiaries' accounts every Monday, and the second phase of Indiramma houses will be sanctioned by the end of May.“He further added that paddy and maize crops are being procured at Minimum Support Price, with payments credited to farmers' accounts within a week. So far, loans of 2.5 million farmers have been waived. Under Rythu Bharosa, financial assistance has been increased to ₹12,000 per acre, along with a ₹500 bonus per quintal for fine paddy.“Additionally, a subsidy distribution program for agricultural equipment will be conducted from May 5 to 7. Several officials and public representatives participated in the event.

Protest at Uppal Cricket Stadium Against PM Modi's Stand – Slogans Echo Across the Venue

“UPPAL, APRIL, 03 (INDIAN CHRONICAL):“During the SRH vs KKR match held on Sunday afternoon at the Uppal Cricket Stadium, a large-scale protest was



organized under the leadership of Uppal Constituency Youth Congress President Aakarapu Arun. “The protest highlighted opposition to what was described as a compromising stance on national interests, with slogans like “PM is compromised” resonating throughout the stadium. “Speaking on the occasion, Arun questioned why Donald Trump should have any authority to “grant permission” for India to purchase crude oil from Russia. He asked, who is Trump to decide from whom India should buy oil? “He further criticized Narendra Modi for not giving a strong response, stating that failing to counter such remarks amounts to compromising the nation’s dignity. Arun alleged that India’s self-respect is being placed in the hands of foreign leaders. “He questioned whether gaining the approval of foreign leaders has become more important than national pride and strongly condemned what he described as a policy that compromises the country’s interests. Arun Kumar concluded by saying that wherever the nation’s dignity is compromised, it reflects a failure of leadership.

Khammam Police Commissioner Inspects NEET-UG 2026 Exam Centres

“KHAMMAM MAY 03 (INDIAN CHRONICLE):“In view of the NEET-UG 2026 examinations for admissions into medical and educational courses, Khammam Police Commissioner Sunil Dutt inspected the exam centres and reviewed the security arrangements. “The Commissioner visited key centres and examined the tight police bandobast put in place to ensure smooth conduct of the examination. He stated that restrictions under Section 163 of BNSS will be enforced within a 200-meter radius around all exam centres from 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Sunday. “During his visit to Shanthi Nagar College and Kendriya Vidyalaya, the Commissioner issued several instructions to Town ACP Ramanamurthy regarding maintaining law and order, ensuring strict security, and preventing any untoward incidents during the examination. “[7:51 PM, 5/



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Congress party's Seva Dal Samara Shankham aims to strengthen the party.. Congress party's Seva Dal's role in the freedom struggle is crucial:- State government spokesperson Ex-MP Hanumantha Rao

“(Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District Bureau..Indian Chronicle...May 3):- Congress



Seva Dal training classes with discipline as a weapon.. Congress party's Seva Dal Samara Shankham aims to strengthen the party.. Congress party's Seva Dal's role in the freedom struggle is crucial, State government spokesperson Ex-MP Hanumantha Rao handed over certificates to the district level, block and mandal level students who had undergone six days of training. Middela Jitender State President led the training program. Speaking at the program, Seva Dal State Secretary Pittala Balaraj said that the chief guests for this program were government advisors V Hanumantha Rao. On the first day of the five-day celebration, PCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud, Jupally Krishna Rao, ministers Seethakka, Bhuvanagiri MP Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy, State Campaign Committee Chairman Madhuyashki, Drug Dealers, Corporation Chairman PCC General Secretary Govind. Thank you to all those who came. A three-day camp will be held across the districts in the coming days. Training programs will be held to strengthen the party. The aim is to strengthen the Congress party across the country. “Congress Seva Dal training classes are being conducted in Hyderabad as a disciplinary weapon. As part of that, the leaders of All India Seva Dal attended the training classes of the Rashtriya Seva Dal Training Camp, including the Training Camp Commander Devender Sharma, Telangana In-charge Samajji Inspector

Pawan Chaudhary, Rash“Congress Seva Dal is not an ordinary organization. It was started in 1923 with the idea of ??Mahatma Gandhiji under the leadership of Dr. N.S. Article and a great movement was started across the country under the leadership of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru as its first president. He said that Seva Dal worked strongly with volunteers across the country during the freedom struggle and that the activists were at the forefront of the movement against British rule and fought a disciplined struggle. Sacrifice, patriotism, thousands of members played a key role in the freedom struggle. It is not just an organization, it is a force that worked with dedication for the freedom of the country. If we look at the history of the country's politics, it has stood as a camp where service was given. Indira Gandhi, Rajiv Gandhi, Sanjay Gandhi, Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi, and prominent people have accepted the training with the spirit and come forward in public service. Training is not just about politics, discipline, patriotism, service. Looking at the scale that is happening in the country today, disciplined and quiet services are needed to protect the values ??of democracy to protect the constitution. District level leaders Samala Ravinder Manikyam Sagar Reddy Shakuntala Reddy Pramila Wajid Ramesh, Bobbili Rajendra Prasad Jalta Raju Surender Praveen and others participated in this program.



“Where Are the Jobs? Where Is Employment? We Will Hold Rulers Accountable! AIYF Leaders Voice Strong Protest at 67th Foundation Day Event

“Khammam, May 03 (INDIAN CHRONICLE):““District in-charge of the All India Youth Federation, Kondaparthi Govind Rao, launched a sharp attack on governments over rising unemployment. He questioned, “Where are the jobs? Where is employment? Rulers must answer, or the youth will force accountability,” expressing strong dissatisfaction. “The 67th foundation day of AIYF was celebrated on Sunday at Nalamalla Giriprasad Bhavan in Khammam city. On the occasion, Govind Rao hoisted the organization’s flag and addressed the gathering. “He recalled that AIYF, established on May 3, 1959, has consistently fought for the rights of youth. He criticized both central and state governments for failing to address unemployment, stating that educated youth are struggling without job opportunities. He accused authorities of delaying recruitment notifications and “playing with the lives of the unemployed,” warning that youth will respond strongly in the coming days. He reiterated that AIYF will continue its struggle until the goal of “Jobs for All – Education for All” is achieved. “Concern Over Drug Abuse““District General Secretary Nanabala Ramakrishna expressed serious concern over the widespread availability of drugs and ganja in the district. He alleged that drug mafias are targeting unemployed and frustrated youth, and criticized the government and enforcement agencies for failing to curb the issue. “He urged young people not to fall into addiction and ruin their futures, instead calling on them to participate in social awareness movements. He demanded strict action against drug peddlers and warned that protests would intensify across the district if necessary action is not taken. “Grand Celebrations““The event saw participation from district committee members, representatives from various mandals, and a large number of youth. Slogans like “Long Live AIYF” and “End Unemployment” echoed throughout the venue. Several leaders and members, including district assistant secretaries and other office bearers, attended the program.



Accused Arrested in Attempt to Murder Case D.Vishweshwar (CI Geesugonda)

““Geesugonda, May 3 (Indian Chronicle) : Police have arrested a man in connection with an attempt to murder case registered at Geesugonda police station, said CI D. Vishweshwar. “According to police, based on a complaint filed by Kadam Akhil (26), a resident of Ukal Haveli village in the mandal, a case was registered against Mandala Sadanandam (57) of the same village, who was arrested on Sunday. “In his complaint, the victim stated that after the death of his father in 2010, the accused allegedly influenced his mother, Kadam Sunitha, through false promises and maintained close relations with her. The complainant further alleged that the accused had been pressuring him on several occasions to sign documents related to compensation amounting to ₹30 lakh, which was deposited in his mother’s account after one acre of their land came under the Greenfield road project. “It was also alleged that the accused threatened the family, stating that they would not allow Akhil to claim any share in the property and would sell it entirely. He reportedly subjected them to verbal abuse and physical harassment on multiple occasions. “Two days ago, around 8 PM, the accused allegedly came to Akhil’s residence and attempted to attack him, which was prevented by villagers. Later the same night, around 11 PM, while the complainant was attending a friend’s wedding procession, the accused allegedly tried to stab him twice with a knife with intent to kill. Akhil sustained injuries on his hand while attempting to defend himself. “Based on the complaint, police registered a case, arrested the accused, and produced him before the court for remand. CI D. Vishweshwar stated that a rowdy sheet will be opened against the accused considering the seriousness of the offence.



Selection of beneficiaries for double-bedroom houses for the poor through lottery under AS GMK Charitable Trust.

““Indian Chronicle Vikarabad (May 3)““In Tandur, Vikarabad district, beneficiaries for double-bedroom houses for the poor were selected through a lucky draw under the AS GMK Charitable Trust. “AS GMK Charitable Trust Chairman Mujeeb Khan, Municipal Chairperson Neeraja Bal Reddy, Congress Party senior leader and RBOL CEO Srinivas Reddy, along with ward councilors and leaders, participated as chief guests for the program. “Speaking on the occasion, the chief guests said that as promised during elections, the Congress government has kept its word by giving double-bedroom houses to 200 eligible poor people. Leaders praised him as a great social worker striving for the welfare of the poor. They said the credit of supporting the poor with his own money goes to him. “Out of 500 eligible applicants, 200 beneficiaries were selected today through lottery, they said. “AS GMK Charitable Trust Chairman Mujeeb Khan, Municipal Chairperson Neeraja Bal Reddy, Vice Chairman Abdul Razak, Agricultural Market Committee Chairman Patlolla Narsimlu, RBOL CEO Srinivas Reddy, Congress Party senior leaders Abdul Raof, Zuber Lala, councilors, AS JNK Charitable Trust representatives, advocates Mohammed Fareed, Matin, Muslim minority organization representatives, and beneficiaries participated in the program.



Harish Rao's protest at Siddipet Karimnagar Rajiv Road Mallaram demanding the purchase of paddy.. is a proof of his foolishness:- Government Whip Aleru MLA Beerla Ailaiah

“(Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District Bureau..Indian Chronicle...May 3):- Telangana State Government Whip Aleru MLA Beerla Ailaiah was extremely angry over Harish Rao's protest at Siddipet Karimnagar Rajiv Road Mallaram demanding the purchase of paddy. Speaking on this occasion, Beerla Ailaiah said that the people's government under the leadership of Revanth Reddy is giving a big platform to the farmers. We have set up 8 thousand paddy purchase centers in the state. They said that the six-foot Harish Rao has lost his mind and that Harish Rao's idea is to do politics by provoking people. They said that Harish Rao is staging protests in the name of farmers. They said that he is trying to provoke the farmers with the anger of losing power. They said that when he was in power for ten years, he did not buy grain for months and the farmers did not believe in Harish Rao's fake protests. These farmers have made us sit at home by digging graves.. KCR is sitting in the farmhouse like a fool and provoking the farmers, we have waived off loans of 2 lakhs, given farmer assurance, and are giving bonuses to small farmers.. Till now we have given three thousand crore rupees as bonuses to the farmers. They are impatient to see the farmer welfare schemes and are provoking and doing politics. “Our Chief Minister Revanth Reddy is doing justice to all sections, our government will buy every grain, if Harish Rao has any shame, he should stop the fake dharnas.



Congress Playing With Anti-People Policies - Former Minister V.Srinivas Goud

“““Hanumakonda, May 3 (Indian Chronicle) : Warangal soil has always stood as a hub of movements and played a crucial role in the Telangana agitation, but the present Congress government is pursuing anti-people policies, alleged former minister V. Srinivas Goud.“Addressing a press meet held on Sunday at the BRS Party office in Balasamudram, Hanumakonda district, the former minister launched a sharp attack on the Congress government. He stated that the government has been “playing with the lives of unemployed youth” by failing to release job notifications in the state.“He said that the BRS party would continue its struggle over pending issues in the declaration made after the farmers’ meeting. He further asserted that the party would consistently fight for the rights of students and BC communities.“Srinivas Goud pointed out that fee reimbursement dues to the tune of around ₹13,000 crore are pending in the state. He alleged that the government is encouraging educational institutions to collect fees directly from students and attempting to dismantle the fee reimbursement system. He termed the issuance of a Government Order (GO) regarding fee collection as unfortunate and demanded its immediate withdrawal.“He further accused the Congress government of neglecting students, stating that even basic facilities and quality food are not being provided in



hostels. He strongly alleged that all sections of society are being deceived by the ruling party.“Speaking on employees’ issues, he said injustice is being done to both serving and retired employees. Citing incidents in Warangal where an RTC employee and a retired employee reportedly died by suicide, he described them as evidence of the government’s “authoritarian attitude.”“He appealed to employees and retired staff not to take extreme steps and assured that the BRS party, once in power in the future, would ensure justice for all.“The press meet was attended by former Government Chief Whip Dasyam Vinay Bhaskar, former corporator Jorika Ramesh, student leaders Bairapaka Prashanth, Gandra Kota Rakesh Yadav, Pastam Anil Kumar, Rajesh Nayak, Vivek, Shyam Kumar, and others.

Call for Massive Participation in Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s Public Meeting: Marri Shashidhar Reddy

““Indian Chronicle, Secunderabad, May 3:““Senior BJP leader and former minister Marri Shashidhar Reddy called upon party workers from the Sanath Nagar constituency to participate in large numbers and make the upcoming public meet-



ing of Prime Minister Narendra Modi a grand success.“A preparatory meeting was held today at the BJP Sanath Nagar constituency office in Begumpet under the leadership of Begumpet Division BJP leaders. Speaking on the occasion, Shashidhar Reddy said that this would be Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s first visit to Telangana after assuming office for the third time.“He informed that the Prime Minister would inaugurate several development projects before addressing a massive public gathering at Secunderabad Parade Ground on May 10. He urged party cadre to turn out in large numbers, extend a grand welcome, and ensure the success of the meeting.“District Mahankali Secretary Saladri Srinivas Yadav, District OBC General Secretary C. Vijay Kumar, Division President M. Mahesh Kumar Mudiraj, Division General Secretary T. Shravan, and leaders Sandhya Lakshmi, Lohith and others were present at the meeting.

NEET exam concludes peacefully in Vikarabad district

97.37% of candidates attended ““Indian Chronicle Vikarabad (May 3)“ “The NEET exam conducted at Vikarabad district headquarters concluded peacefully today. Amid heavy police security, 1148 out of 1179 candidates appeared across the four exam centers set up in the district. Officials stated that overall, 97.37% of candidates attended in the district. ““District Additional Collector Umashankar Prasad visited all four exam centers in the district and gave several instructions to students.



Social Activist Sriram Venkatesh Joins BJP; Kishan Reddy Calls for Massive Turnout at PM Modi's Rally



“Indian Chronicle, Secunderabad, May 03: “Social worker and founder of the VR For You organisation, Sriram Venkatesh, joined the Bharatiya Janata Party on Sunday at the party office in Secunderabad. “He was inducted into the party in the presence of Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy, along with party district president Bharat Goud. Several ???a also joined the party along with him. Kishan Reddy formally welcomed them by draping the party scarf. “Speaking on the occasion, Kishan Reddy urged the youth to actively work towards ensuring victory in all divisions in the upcoming municipal corporation elections. He expressed confidence that the BJP would emerge victorious in the coming elections, stating that people have lost their illusions about both the Bharat Rashtra Samithi and the Indian National Congress. “He also called upon the public to participate in large numbers in the public meeting to be addressed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the 10th of this month at 4

PM, and make the ?? a grand success. “BJP leaders and members of voluntary organisations were also present at the event.

BJP Terms PM Modi's Visit a 'Festival of Development'

“Hyderabad: The state unit of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has described the upcoming visit of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to Telangana as a “festival of development,” expressing confidence that the occasion will energize party cadre and mark a significant milestone in the state's growth trajectory. “In an official statement, BJP Chief Spokesperson N V Subash said the Prime Minister's visit will witness the inauguration and foundation-laying of development projects worth ₹7,823 crore, aimed at accelerating Telangana's progress and positioning it among the top-performing states in the country. “Highlighting key initiatives, Subash stated that projects worth ₹1,695 crore focused on promoting the legacy of the erstwhile Kakatiya dynasty in Warangal district will be launched. He noted that the flagship PM MITRA Kakatiya Mega Textile Park is set to be dedicated to the nation, which is expected to transform the region into a major textile hub. “The Prime Minister will also inaugurate the AIIMS facility at Bibinagar, built at an estimated cost of ₹2,000 crore, offering world-class healthcare services. The hospital is expected to significantly benefit economically weaker sections by providing affordable and accessible treatment. “Further, Subash said that several major infrastructure projects undertaken over the past decade under the Central government will either be inaugurated or reviewed during the visit. These include enhanced railway connectivity between Kazipet and Vijayawada, progress on the Mahabubnagar National Highway, the Malkapuram Petroleum Terminal, and the Sammakka-Sarakka Tribal University, among others. “He asserted that Telangana has witnessed unprecedented infrastructure development under the present Central government and urged all political parties to rise above differences and support initiatives that contribute to the state's growth. He also criticized what he termed as “misleading propaganda” by sections of the Opposition on issues such as delimitation and the Women's Reservation Bill. “The BJP has appealed to people from all walks of life, irrespective of political affiliations, to participate in the Prime Minister's visit on May 10, which will culminate in a massive public meeting at the Secunderabad Parade Grounds. “The party has called upon citizens across Telangana to attend the public meeting in large numbers and make the event a grand success.

EAPCET Mock Test 2026 Successfully Conducted by Pallavi Engineering College (PEC)

“Nacharam, Indian yt Chronicle, May 3: “Pallavi Engineering College (PEC) successfully conducted the EAPCET Mock Test 2026 on April 26, 2026, and May 3, 2026, across multiple examination centers. A total of 2,386 students participated in the test and gained hands-on experience with a digital examination system. “The mock test effectively replicated the real EAPCET exam environment, helping students develop essential skills such as time management, handling exam pressure, and strategic test-taking approaches. “The program was efficiently organized by Convener Mr. Dhanunjaya Rao Kodali, who also contributed as a Frontend and HTML Script Developer. He guided third-year college students, helping them showcase their technical abilities. Under his leadership, the “EAPCET Genius” web portal became a key highlight of the program. “The portal development team included Akshad Sukhia (Lead Developer), Jaspreet Singh (Project Manager), Abdul Rehman (Database Management), Mohan Varshith (Backend



Developer), and Md. Mustaq (UI/UX Designer), whose collective efforts were highly commendable. “Key Highlights: “Provided real exam experience through a digital iON-style interface “Delivered detailed performance reports with subject-wise analysis and improvement suggestions “Offered state rank predictions based on performance “Provided personalized guidance to improve preparation “Student Facilities & Students were provided with transportation and food facilities at the exam centers. Additionally, career guidance sessions were conducted, offering expert advice on future education paths, course selection, and career opportunities. Special sessions were organized for parents during the examination to address their queries and provide clarity on students' academic futures. The initiative received a positive response from parents. “Based on overwhelming student feedback and demand, the college conducted another mock test on May 3, 2026, which also received an excellent response. “The success of this program was driven by the inspiring leadership of Chairman Mr. Malka Komaraiah. Advisor Prof. S.G.S. Murthy, Executive Director Dr. Malka Naveen Kumar, Management Representative Mr. Berelli Kamalakar Rao, Director Dr. J.V.B. Subrahmanyam, Principal Dr. M.B. Raju, Vice Principal Dr. R. Prashanth Kumar, Conveners Mr. Dhanunjaya Rao Kodali and Dr. Vootla Sridhar, and Co-Conveners Mr. A. Santosh played key roles through their strategic planning and guidance. “Faculty and staff members including Dr. A. Sai Harish, M. Betty Reddy, Y. Soujanya, Mr. Harsha Vardhan, Mr. R. Pawan Kumar, Pawan Kumar Gupta, Dr. Rama Uday Kumar, Mr. Srinivas Reddy, Dr. B. Satish, M. Ravi, Mr. Vijay Bhaskar, Mr. B. Shailesh, Mrs. Beula Sharan, Mrs. Susmita, Sudhakar Rao, Chakrapani, Mr. Purushottam, Mr. Phani, and Mrs. J. Usha Sri contributed significantly to the grand success of the event. “Students and parents expressed their gratitude to the college management and organizing team, stating that the mock test greatly helped improve exam readiness. “The program stands as a symbol of skill development, technological innovation, and teamwork. PEC management reaffirmed its commitment to organizing more such initiatives in the future to support student success.

A True Example of Friendship... 10th Classmates Extend Support to Deceased Friend's Family

2003–04 batch classmates promise to stand by the family in difficult times.

“Zaheerabad, May 03 (Indian Chronicle):“A heart-touching incident highlighting humanity has come to light in Chinthalagattu village of Kohir mandal, Sangareddy district. Mohammad Sarver, a resident of the village, recently passed



away due to a sudden heart stroke. As he was the sole breadwinner, his demise has left his wife and four young children in deep grief and financial hardship. “On learning about this tragic situation, Sarver's 10th class classmates immediately stepped forward, demonstrating the true spirit of friendship. The 2003–2004 batch students, who studied together in Digwal, voluntarily collected funds and handed over financial assistance to the bereaved family on Friday night. They also visited the family, offered their condolences, and stood by them in this difficult time. “The friends further assured the family that they would continue to support them and asked them to reach out whenever they face any problems in the future. Villagers appreciated this noble gesture, stating that such acts truly reflect the essence of friendship and humanity. “The program was attended by the 2003–2004 batch students who studied in Digwal, along with the Chinthalagattu village Sarpanch and several villagers. The support extended by the friends has brought some relief to the grieving family and once again proved that compassion and humanity still thrive in society.

Revolt Inevitable for Indiramma Housing, Warn Women Leaders

“Khammam May 03 indian Chronicle:““Leaders of the Telangana State Women's Federation have warned that a protest is inevitable if the government fails to fulfill its promise of providing Indiramma houses to eligible beneficiaries. “Speaking at the Konijerla MPTC-1 village women's general body meeting held on Sunday under the Presidentship of Markapudi Ramadevi, district general secretary Epuri Latha Devi expressed strong concern over the government's inaction. She stated that despite assurances made before elections, many poor women are still deprived of housing, house sites, and pensions, forcing them into severe hardship. “Latha Devi criticized the authorities for neglecting the needs of the underprivileged since the formation of Telangana state, alleging that many families continue to struggle without basic shelter and welfare support. “She called upon women to unite and make the upcoming 22nd



District Conference of the Telangana State Women's Federation, scheduled to be held on May 16 in Wyra, a grand success. “The leaders also demanded: “Employment opportunities for poor women “Strict laws and firm action against violence on women “District president Potu Kalavathi, CPI district executive member Dondapati Ramesh, CPI leaders Swarna Ramesh, Challa Nagamani, Guddu Gorla Srinivasa Rao, and others participated in the meeting. “During the event, the Konijerla village women's federation committee was elected. Mariyamma was chosen as President and Markapudi Ramadevi as General Secretary, along with 17 committee members. “Several women leaders, activists, and members from .

Leaders Urge Release of Rs 30 Crore for Sitaphalmandi Educational Institutions; Meet Minister Ponnam Prabhakar

“Indian Chronicle / Secunderabad:“Under the leadership of Secunderabad



Assembly Constituency Congress in-charge and contested MLA Adam Santosh Kumar, leaders from various political parties met State Cabinet Minister and Hyderabad District In-charge Minister Ponnam Prabhakar at his residence. “The delegation included Vallarapu Srinivas Kumar (Telugu Desam Party in-charge), Kampalli Srinivas (CPI Secretary), and Narsing Rao (BSP in-charge), among others. They submitted a representation requesting the immediate release of ₹30 crore funds sanctioned for the Sitaphalmandi Government School, Junior College, and Degree College, and urged that the development works be taken up without delay. “They also appealed for the reconstruction of the

Vijaya Dairy Government School in Tarnaka with a permanent building. “Responding to the request, Minister Ponnam Prabhakar directed the Hyderabad District Collector to personally inspect the concerned premises and submit a report at the earliest. “The leaders expressed their gratitude to Adam Santosh Kumar for taking special initiative in bringing the issue to the Minister's attention and working towards its resolution.

VH PRAISES SEVADAL'S - RG NAYAK

“Gandhi bhavan - reporter - P. Suchandra “Hyderabad, 3 May: Congress ex- MP & present BC advisor to Telangana govt Mr. V. HanumanthRao praised young brigade "karyakartas" including RG Nayak, general secretary & others for their active participation and making successful of sevadal's training " samarth" camp which was held for 6 days at Nampally exhibition ground till 2 May.



Mobile Phone Theft at SRH vs KKR Match – Two Arrested

“UPPAL, May 3 (Indian Chronicle):“Two individuals were taken into custody by Uppal police for allegedly stealing a mobile phone during the SRH vs KKR IPL match held on Sunday at the Rajiv Gandhi International Cricket Stadium in Uppal. “According to Sub-Inspector Madhava Reddy, the theft occurred by taking advantage of the large crowd gathered to watch the match. The victim, Kothakapu Linga Reddy from Baba Colony in Narayanpet district, lodged a complaint stating that his Oppo mobile phone was stolen from his pant pocket while he was drinking water inside the stadium. “Upon receiving the complaint, Uppal police immediately began an investigation and reviewed CCTV footage installed around the stadium premises. During the probe, the accused were identified as Mohammed Babar (35) and Saddam Hussain (28), residents of Garden Reach, Kolkata. Both individuals, who reportedly work as handloom laborers, were apprehended by the police.



The stolen mobile phone was recovered from their possession. A case has been registered, and further investigation is underway.

Explained | What the fate of Luna 25 means for Russia

The story so far: On August 11, Roscosmos, the Russian space agency, launched its Luna 25 spacecraft onboard a Soyuz 2 rocket from the Vostochny Cosmodrome. Luna 25 consisted of a lander and its mission was to soft-land near the moon's south pole, and there study the optical, physical, and chemical properties of moon dust and moon soil, and the atmosphere. But on August 20, Roscosmos issued a statement stating that Luna 25 had suffered a glitch and crashed on the moon's surface the previous day, ending the mission in a failure. While the event attested to the various challenges of autonomously landing a robotic instrument on the moon, the fate of Luna 25 also speaks to more than technical issues.

Why did Russia launch Luna 25?

The Luna 25 mission has technically been in the works for more than two decades. In the first decade or so, it was called Luna-Glob; the name was changed later to make the mission a part of the Luna series, the last edition of which, Luna 24, was launched in 1976. In its statement after Luna 25 failed, Roscosmos said one of the reasons to launch the mission was to "ensure Russia's guaranteed access to the moon's surface" – an allusion to the growing importance of the moon as a spaceflight destination and its importance as one of the sites of contest between the U.S. and China.

While Russia and China are together leading the International Lunar Research Station (ILRS), versus the U.S.-led Artemis Accords, Russia has not executed a successful interplanetary mission in 34 years. Some experts have also said that Russia intended Luna 25 as president Vladimir Putin's demonstration that the country's economy – including the spaceflight sector – haven't buckled under the weight of international sanctions following Putin's invasion of Ukraine in 2021.

Were Luna 25 and Chandrayaan 3 in a race?

Contrary to population perception, too many details are misaligned to expect that Luna 25 and Chandrayaan 3, or Roscosmos and the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), were in a race. Both missions launched in a similar timeframe and were expected to attempt a soft-landing on the moon within days of each other. However, these mission parameters are determined by the launch vehicle, the mass of the spacecraft, the earth-moon trajectory, and availability of sunlight at a point on the moon (to power solar panels). In addition, while Chandrayaan 3 has been in development since 2019, Roscosmos was working on Luna 25 since the early 2010s, and couldn't have anticipated the fate of Chandrayaan 2. Both missions also suffered unpredictable delays due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Finally, recall that Russia pulled out of building the lander for Chandrayaan 2 due to delays imposed by the failure of the former's Fobos-Grunt mission in 2011. Russia had otherwise been ISRO's partner, and is also helping train Indian astronauts for the inaugural

Gaganyaan mission. Taken together, Luna 25 and Chandrayaan 3 couldn't have been in a race.

What happened to Luna 25?

In its post-crash statement, Roscosmos said that it would put together a committee to investigate the precise mode of failure of Luna 25. Beyond that, Roscosmos has only said that the spacecraft suffered a technical problem that took its operation beyond the parameters within which the mission was designed to operate. While this statement is vague, it also suggests that the failure was related to some sort of extremum. Speculation on social media platforms by spaceflight experts has centred on one event: that as Luna 25 attempted to modify its circular orbit around the moon to a lower pre-landing orbit, it applied more thrust than required, sending it careening to the surface. Roscosmos itself lost contact with Luna 25 as it was performing this manoeuvre.

Why couldn't Roscosmos rescue Luna 25?

ISRO is receiving help from NASA and the European Space Agency (ESA) to track Chandrayaan 3 around the moon. Their antennae will also maintain contact with the 'Vikram' lander as it attempts its soft-landing on August 23. But after Russia invaded Ukraine, it lost the goodwill of many countries worldwide, provoking stringent economic sanctions. One of the less-known consequences was that Russia also lost its privileges to use satellite tracking systems operated by countries in different parts of the world. As a result, Roscosmos could contact Luna 25, and receive signals from the spacecraft, only at three stations: two in Russia and one in Russian-occupied Crimea. In other words, Roscosmos could communicate with Luna 25 only when the moon was directly over Russia. As a result, the size of the window



that scientists had to fix the problem and salvage the mission was much smaller. This said, they did attempt to contact the lander in this window but it didn't respond. More details should be available in the failure analysis report.

What next for Roscosmos, and Russia?

Whatever the technical reasons for the failure of Luna 25, it's clear that Russia is falling behind in the race to the moon. Before the ILRS, Russia had joined hands with NASA to build a near-moon space station. But before it backed out of the partnership in January 2021, Roscosmos's role in the enterprise was found to be highly limited. In the ILRS setup, Roscosmos has already planned for Luna missions 26 and 27 as part of the first phase of operations, which include technology demonstration and site selection for future lander missions. Now, with the failure of Luna 25 and the sanctions imposed by Western countries – which will limit the components that Russia can import – their respective

launch dates could be pushed further from 2027 and 2028.

On August 11, Roscosmos, the Russian space agency, launched its Luna 25 spacecraft onboard a Soyuz 2 rocket from the Vostochny Cosmodrome. Luna 25 consisted of a lander and its mission was to soft-land near the moon's south pole, and there study the optical, physical, and chemical properties of moon dust and moon soil, and the atmosphere. The Luna 25 mission has technically been in the works for more than two decades. In the first decade or so, it was called Luna-Glob; the name was changed later to make the mission a part of the Luna series, the last edition of which, Luna 24, was launched in 1976. In its post-crash statement, Roscosmos said that it would put together a committee to investigate the precise mode of failure of Luna 25. Beyond that, Roscosmos has only said that the spacecraft suffered a technical problem that took its operation beyond the parameters within which the mission was designed to operate.

AI-generated art cannot receive copyrights, U.S. court says

Australia and Saudi Arabia with limited success.

Thaler's attorney, Ryan Abbott, on Monday said that he and his client strongly disagree with the decision and will appeal. The Copyright Office in a statement on Monday said it "believes the court reached the correct result."

The fast-growing field of generative AI has raised novel intellectual property issues. The Copyright Office has also rejected an artist's bid for copyrights on images generated through the AI system Midjourney despite the artist's argument that the system was part of their creative process. Several pending lawsuits have also been filed over the use of copyrighted works to train generative AI without permission.

"We are approaching new frontiers in copyright as artists put AI in their toolbox," which will raise "challenging questions" for copyright law, Howell wrote on Friday.

"This case, however, is not nearly so complex," Howell said. Thaler applied in 2018 for a copyright covering "A Recent Entrance to Paradise," a piece of visual art he said was created by his AI system without any human input. The office rejected the application last year and said creative works must have human authors to be copyrightable. Thaler challenged the decision in federal court, arguing that human authorship is not a concrete legal requirement and allowing AI copyrights would be in line with copyright's purpose as outlined in the U.S. constitution to "promote the progress of science and useful arts."

Bend it like Sanya: How an MP village beat odds to play football

Dressed in a red-and-black football jersey and blue shorts, 11-year-old Sanya Kunde glides across the field, effortlessly cutting through the defence line of men much older than her, many of them government officials well into their 50s.

With her teammates failing to match her pace, Sanya has so far failed to convert any of the chances – every failed opportunity ends up with the 11-year-old momentarily bending over, clutching her waist tight, before breaking into a sprint. It's 8 am and coach Raees Ahmed is watching from the sidelines of the Bicharpur village football ground in Madhya Pradesh's Shahdol as the young footballers take on the district's former national-level players, who now work in the Railways and forest department, for a practice match. Ahmed hopes his young players will one day be part of the Bicharpur A-team and win a national tournament.

The practice match ends in a goalless draw, but Sanya has no time to rest. Barely five minutes later, Sanya begins her second game. This time, it's a match between two sides of reserve and rookie footballers, all under 17. Sanya, the only girl on the field, is on the defensive line, waiting to strike. MP village Sanya Kunde (right) with her sister Pihu. Sanya is among Bicharpur's most promising players, with her coach predicting a prospect for her in future national games. "My dream is to play for Team India," she says. (Express Photo: Anand Mohan J)

Bicharpur and Shahdol are to Madhya Pradesh what a Kerala or Goa is to India. An unlikely football hub in an unlikely football state, since 2021, the district, which has more than 1,200 football clubs, has produced at least 40 national and state-level players – an achievement that got a nod from Prime Minister, who mentioned Shahdol's footballing prowess in his Mann ki Baat address on July 30.

During his visit to Shahdol in July, PM Modi had visited met some of its budding footballers, including Sanya, dubbed the district "mini Brazil" and lauded the 'Football Kranti' programme now underway in this region. Sanya is among Bicharpur's most promising players, with her coach predicting a prospect for her in future national games. "My uncle was a striker, my father played as goal-keeper in state-level matches. My sisters were national-level players and my whole village plays football. I have played with teams that have defeated Jabalpur, Bhopal and Indore. My dream is to play for the national team and one day play for Team India," she says.

Located around 5 km from Shahdol district, Bicharpur is nestled among the Vindhya hills in the northeastern part of Madhya Pradesh. While most people work as agricultural workers, growing rice, wheat and soybean, many others work in Coal India's mines and the Railways. The Scheduled Tribes of Gond, Kol and Baiga, among others, make up 74.78% of Bicharpur's population of around 900. People here mostly live in mud-brick huts surrounded by towering cactus and bamboo. Most homes have an elec-

tricity connection and draw water from hand pumps.

What sets Bicharpur apart, though, is its craze for football, triggered around half a century ago when workers of local coal and railway unions played the game. Shahdol Divisional Commissioner Rajeev Sharma says, "Football matches were organised by the unions of the railway and coal companies which had the funds to promote several games. While games like hockey were promoted in our neighbouring district of Umaria, in the 1960s and 70s, the unions introduced football in Bicharpur and the larger Shahdol district. The game quickly became a favourite among the tribals and they took to it." Ketram Singh Gond, 58, a former defender who played in local tournaments, was among those who were fascinated by what they saw of the sport.

Ketram, who runs a kirana store in the village, says, "We used to watch football games that were held at the local railway ground. That generated a lot of interest. Then, in the 1990s, when only one family in the village owned a television set, people assembled to watch the World Cup. We never had any coaches so we gave up on the game and had to work for a living. If I had a coach, I would have become a good player." That's when Raees Ahmed arrived on the scene. A former national football player who has represented Madhya Pradesh in around seven national games, Ahmed was in 1995 posted as the Physical Training (PT) teacher at the Bicharpur primary school and ended up scripting its football story. MP Football A former national football player, Raees Ahmed's posting in 2002 as a PT teacher at the Bicharpur school changed the region's football story forever. (Express Photo: Anand Mohan J) In his Mann ki Baat, Modi had credited Ahmed with "teaching football to the youth with full dedication" and recognising their talent. Now "Coach Ahmed", 43, is the head coach of the Bicharpur football girls' and boys' teams and has been honing national-level players since 2002. Today, watching the practice match between the veterans and the youngsters, Ahmed wins as a forest official, Ram Kumar Baiga, 50, disciplines his players by making them do short sprints before a game.

"This is precisely what I don't want on my field. Ram is a football fanatic and plays Maradona-style old-school football – dashing into the opponents' goal line. I can't stop him from playing his style, but he doesn't realise that the game has changed, young players need to be tactically sound, not aggressive. I can't afford my players getting injured – they come from very poor families and can't be out of the team due to injuries," he said. Talking about the spark he saw in Bicharpur, Ahmed says, "I saw that the people here already had a footballing culture and a natural athletic ability. They only needed to learn tactics to become good footballers." MP Football A football player's home in Becharpur. (Express Photo: Anand Mohan J) The first tackle: drugs Days into his new role, Ahmed hit a wall – the village had a drug



problem. "During the drills, I noticed some players playing under the influence. They did not see anything wrong with it. But before teaching them football, I had to rid them of the drug problem. I decided that I would start with the younger children," he says. Additional Director General of Police (Shahdol) D C Sagar, who is a regular on the Shahdol football scene, says, "Most of the tribal youth in the region are addicted to cough syrups, ganja, and intravenous injections and tablets. The challenge was to make football an important lifeline for them." Police data on cases registered between January 2022 and July 2023 under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act is telling – Shahdol has the highest number of such cases at 91, compared to Umaria at 29 and Anuppur at 28. Shahdol also has the maximum arrests at 104, followed by Anuppur at 36 and Umaria at 34. During this time period, police in Shahdol made their highest seizures ever of narcotic substances – 627 kg of Ganja, 4,719 bottles of cough syrups, 7,319 tablets and 438 injections.

Ahmed began his fight against drug abuse by bonding with his players over football. "If I straightaway tell them not to do drugs, why would they listen to me? So I built a relationship with the players and earned their trust, along with that of their parents, and explained to them why drugs are harmful," he says. Ahmed, with help from the local district officials, began targeting a new generation of players, and over the next decade, they finally got a batch of "clean" players. MP Football CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan with the Bicharpur under-17 girls' team that stood first in the state-level competition, winning the final match against Narmadapuram district 8-0. (Express Photo: Anand Mohan J) "Our senior players and village elders helped beat this menace. Our current crop of players don't use drugs and run anti-drug campaigns in the village. Now, if anyone doing drugs comes anywhere near the players, the children chase them away," says

Ahmed. Anil Singh Gond, 31, is an imposing figure on the football field. A maintenance worker in Railways' engineering department, he was once a striker. Part of Ahmed's first batch, in the early 2000s, he played the National Games in Jammu and Kashmir. "During my time, there were so many teammates who played under the influence. Many of them left the game forever. Ahmed sir was patient with them. We did not have shoes, jerseys or any kits and played barefooted. Sir used to buy us our kits with his own salary. That's how he won us over, by trying hard and not judging us," he says. A PT Usha story to inspire girls Ahmed, however, had a new challenge on his hands – how to get girls to play football. He noticed that while girls often hung around the football ground to watch the games, they were not allowed to play due to social taboos. Laxmi Sahees, 28, is preparing for her role as the head coach at Bicharpur's 'Freedom Centre' that is set to open soon. A centre that aims to groom the best players from Shahdol, the Freedom Centre will be equipped with modern facilities and coaches. Part of Ahmed's third batch, she has inherited much of Ahmed's patience as she gently coaches Shivanya, 5, a barefooted player who is unable to collect her passes.

"Our parents used to say that if girls keep playing, then you won't be able to do house work and homework. Setting up the women's team was extremely difficult. We had to go door to door and convince the parents to allow their girls to play the game. The girls also don't agree sometimes, as they were not ready to play in shorts. Plus, they have to go out of the state to play the matches, so there was the issue of safety too. We have to convince the parents about the pride involved in being part of the national level," she says. Ketram, the former defender, was among the senior players who worked to convince parents to allow their daughters to play. That's when P T Usha came in handy. "I was inspired by the story of PT Usha and her mother.