

## Komatireddy challenges Gangula over Lower Manair dam storage claims

SUDA Chairman cites official records, asks Karimnagar MLA to prove reservoir never fell below 15 TMC during BRS rule or resign.

Karimnagar June 27 (Correspondent): The political sparring over the water level in the Lower Manair Dam intensified on Saturday, with SUDA Chairman Komatireddy Narendra Reddy challenging Karimnagar MLA Gangula Kamalakara to substantiate his claim that the reservoir's storage never fell below 15 TMC during the previous BRS government.

Addressing the media after inspecting the reservoir along with officials, party leaders and workers, Mr. Narendra Reddy alleged that the MLA had misled the public by claiming that the dam had never recorded storage below 15 TMC during the BRS regime. Holding what he described as official records, he asserted that the figures contradicted the claim and showed that the storage had fallen to around 7 TMC during the corresponding season.

Throwing an open challenge to the MLA, Mr. Narendra Reddy said that if Mr. Kamalakara proved his claim using official records, he would "bow his head in shame." However, if the MLA failed to do so, he should resign from his Assembly membership, he said.

The SUDA Chairman maintained that the reservoir currently holds 5.8 TMC of water and that, after accounting for dead storage, about 2 TMC would be adequate to meet Karimnagar city's drinking water requirements under Mission Bhagiratha for the coming months. He expressed confidence that the southwest monsoon would improve the inflows and added that an additional 4 TMC of water was available in the Mid Manair reservoir if required.

Mr. Narendra Reddy also criticised the BRS over the Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project, alleging that corruption had damaged the project and dismissing suggestions that minor repairs alone would restore normal water supply.

Warning the opposition against what he termed "false propaganda", he said the public would deliver an appropriate response if such campaigns continued.

Urban Bank Chairman Karra Rajasekhar, corporators and several Congress leaders were present during the inspection.



## Mass Aksharabhyasam Ceremony Held Amid Interfaith Prayers



“Indian chronicle, Secunderabad, June 27:” “A Mass Aksharabhyasam (initiation into learning) ceremony was conducted with great devotion at the Doodi Bavi English Medium Primary Government School, Chilakalguda, for newly admitted students of PP-1, PP-2, and Class I. The event was held amid interfaith prayers and blessings, symbolizing harmony and unity.” The programme was attended by social activist and school donor Seven Hills Chairman Mr. Edukondalu as the Chief Guest. Marepally Deputy IOS Ramalinga Reddy, World Vision Manager Vijay Kumar, EL Leadership In-charge Prithvi, Kiran Kumar, Pratap, Rajesh, Brahmin priest Lakshmana Murthy, Imam Younis Baba, Pastor Sudarshan, and Srivani graced the occasion as Guests of Honour. “Following prayers offered by representatives of different faiths, the dignitaries performed the Aksharabhyasam for the young students and blessed them for a bright educational future.” Addressing the gathering, Mr. Edukondalu urged parents to send their children to school regularly. He said that he had studied in a government school and reached his present position through education. He encouraged students to study with discipline, excel in life, and contribute to society. Appreciating the effective utilization of the support already extended to the school, he assured that he would continue to provide assistance whenever required. “Speaking on the occasion, Deputy IOS Ramalinga Reddy said the misconception that government schools are inferior should be eliminated from society. He emphasized that government schools have experienced and qualified teachers and appealed to parents to enroll their children in nearby government schools. He also informed that the Breakfast Programme would be implemented in all government schools until August 15.” Teachers Ayesha Anjum, Malleshwari, Haseena Begum, Saleha, Shaheen Sultana, Neelima, Sirisha, Divya, and support staff Hemalatha and Sharada participated in the programme and contributed to its success.

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— Nelakondapalli “Khammam, Nelakondapalli, June 27 (Indian chronicle): “Agricultural Market Committee Chairman Vennapusala Seetharamulu urged officials and public representatives to ensure the success of the Rythu Ashirvada



Sabha (Farmers' Blessing Meeting) to be held at Jagannadhapuram on the 30th of this month. “A meeting was held on Saturday at the local Rythu Vedika with panchayat sarpanches, secretaries, Grama Deepika staff, and officials from various departments. Speaking on the occasion, Seetharamulu called upon people to participate in large numbers in the Chief Minister's public meeting. “He also advised farmers to make use of the exhibition featuring 150 stalls, scheduled to be held on the 28th and 29th of this month. “He instructed that 4,500 women members of Self-Help Groups (IKP) from across the mandal should be brought to the meeting in 90 buses. As part of the publicity campaign, he directed them to visit every household, apply a ceremonial bindi (bottu) to women, and personally invite them to attend the meeting. “The meeting was attended by Tahsildar P. Ram Prasad, MPDO M. Yarraiah, Mandal Panchayat Officer M. Srinivasa Rao, IKP APM Surender Babu, EGS APO R. Sunitha, Mandal Agriculture Officer M. Radha, panchayat sarpanches, secretaries, and other officials.

## Youth Should Turn Out in Large Numbers for the CM's Public Meeting: Youth Congress Leader Kadiyala Naresh

“Khammam, Nelakondapalli, June 27 (Indian chronicle): “Youth Congress leader Kadiyala Naresh has appealed to young people to participate in large numbers in the Farmers' Thanksgiving Meeting to be held at Jagannadhapuram on the 30th of this month. “Speaking at a press conference held at the mandal headquarters on Saturday, he said that Chief Minister Revanth Reddy will attend the meeting at Jagannadhapuram in Chinthakani Mandal. He urged youth from every village to attend the event and also serve as volunteers. “Naresh stated that at least

250,000 people are expected to attend the meeting, which will be held in the presence of district ministers. He called upon the Youth Congress to organize rallies in villages to ensure the success of the event. “He further said that under the leadership of Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy, the Youth Congress should demonstrate its strength



in the Paleru Division. He added that since the Congress came to power, the government has given significant importance to youth. “Naresh also urged party workers to go door-to-door and inform people about the development works undertaken under the leadership of Minister Srinivasa Reddy. In addition, he said that youth should take responsibility for bringing farmers to the Agricultural Stalls Exhibition scheduled to be held on the 28th and 29th, ensuring its success.

## Condolences on the Demise of Former MLA

“Khammam, Nelakondapalli, June 27 (Indian chronicle): “The Mandal President of the Telangana Gouda Association, Jerripothula Satyanarayana, expressed deep condolences over the demise of former Illandu MLA Vanga Subba Rao. A condolence statement was released on Saturday. “He stated that Vanga Subba Rao served as the MLA of Illandu from 1972 to 1978. He noted that, apart from serving as an MLA, Vanga Subba Rao undertook several initiatives for the welfare of toddy tappers (Geetha workers). He described him as a great leader who worked tirelessly for the resolution of the problems faced by toddy tappers across the undivided district. “He praised the late leader's dedicated public service and contributions to society. “Among those who expressed condolences were the Association's Mandal General Secretary Ananthu Satyanarayana, Thumma Dhanamurthy, Tata Hanumantha Rao, and others. They conveyed their heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved family and prayed for strength and comfort during this difficult time.



## Mudigonda Library Set for a Major Transformation — District Library Chairman Khader Baba Inspects the Site



“Khammam, Mudigonda, June 27 (Indian chronicle): “The public library in Mudigonda mandal headquarters of Khammam district is set to undergo a major transformation. With the support of Rayala Nageswara Rao, Chairman of the Telangana State Warehousing Corporation, funds have been sanctioned for the construction of a new library building at the site of the old library. “The government has allotted two kunta (a local unit of land measurement) of land for the library. Under the leadership of M.D. Khader Baba, Chairman of the Khammam District Library Organization, new library infrastructure is being developed across the district. He has been visiting several libraries in Khammam district to assess their condition and promote their development. “As part of these efforts, Chairman M.D. Khader Baba visited the land allocated for the new Mudigonda Library on Saturday. District Library Organization staff members J. Bhaskara Rao, Sumalatha, Srinivasa Rao, and other employees also participated in the visit. “The initiative is expected to strengthen library infrastructure and improve public access to educational resources in the Khammam district.

## Make BJP National President Nitin Nabin's Public Meeting a Grand Success: Mekala Sarangapani

“ Indian Chronicle, “Secunderabad, June 27: “Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) District General Secretary and Contested MLA Mekala Sarangapani called upon party leaders and workers to participate in large numbers and make the BJP Sankalp Sammelan a grand success on the occasion of BJP National President Nitin Nabin's first visit to Hyderabad. “Addressing a meeting of BJP workers held at Nomula Convention Function Hall, Sitaphalmandi, on Saturday, Sarangapani urged party workers from the booth level to the state level to attend the public meeting in large numbers. He said that National President Nitin Nabin would provide valuable guidance and strategic direction to the party cadre for securing victory in the upcoming Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) elections. “He also appealed to party workers to actively participate in the ongoing Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls. He emphasized the need to ensure that fake votes, names of deceased persons, and voters who have shifted to other places are removed from the electoral rolls. At the same time, he stressed that genuine eligible voters should be identified and their voting rights protected. “Senior BJP leader Dasarath Goud attended the meeting as an observer. Other leaders present included Rachamalla Krishnamurthy, Nageshwar Reddy, Bhaskar Giri, Naresh, Ambala Rajeswara Rao, Mekala Keerthi, Harsha Kiran, Venugopal, Lakshmana Rao, Upender, Pratap Kumar, and several party workers.

## Cyberabad Police Conduct Awareness Session for Private Security Agencies, Security Guards and CCTV Vendors

“Serilingampalli Zone: Under the guidance of N. Koti Reddy, IPS, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Quthbullapur Zone, an awareness session was conducted for Private Security Agencies, Security Guards and CCTV Vendors of Quthbullapur Zone on Saturday evening at CMR Technical Campus, Kandlakoya, Medchal. Around 300 participants attended the programme.” “The programme was attended by Purushottam, Additional DCP, Quthbullapur Zone; Shankar Reddy, ACP, Medchal Divi-



sion; Bala Gangireddy, ACP, Quthbullapur Division, along with all the Inspectors of the zone. The session aimed to enhance coordination between the police and private security personnel and strengthen public safety through effective security practices.” “Addressing the gathering, DCP N. Koti Reddy emphasized that registration of all Private Security Agencies under the Private Security Agencies Regulation (PSAR) Act, 2005 is mandatory and instructed all agencies to ensure strict compliance with the provisions of the Act. He explained the legal responsibilities of security agencies using real-time case studies and highlighted the vital role played by private security personnel in crime prevention and public safety.” “Participants were instructed to maintain visitor registers, verify the identity of every visitor before permitting entry into restricted areas, remain vigilant and promptly report suspicious persons, unattended objects or any security threats to the local Station House Officer or police control room. They were also advised to extend full cooperation to the police during emergencies, law and order situations and VIP movements.” “The participants were further instructed to ensure that CCTV cameras installed at entry and exit points remain functional at all times, report any technical faults immediately, maintain emergency contact numbers for quick communication with the police, and respond promptly to instructions issued by police officers whenever required.” “Cyberabad Police reiterated that effective coordination between private security agencies, security guards, CCTV vendors and the police is essential for maintaining a safe and secure environment. The participants appreciated the initiative and assured the police of their full cooperation in strengthening the security network across Quthbullapur Zone.

## Golden Old Melodies Enthrall Audience at Cine Sangeetha Vibhavari in Khammam

“Khammam, June 27 Indian Chronicle: “A grand musical evening titled “Ardhashata Gana Swararchana – Samaja Vara Gamana” Mega Cine Sangeetha Vibhavari was organized on Saturday evening at the Bhakta Ramadasu Kalakshetram in Khammam as part of the 35th Anniversary Celebrations of Swarasudha Music Khammam.”



“The programme commenced with the ceremonial lighting of the lamp, followed by floral tributes to the portrait of legendary playback singer Ghantasala. A captivating dance performance by the young Vinuthna troupe and melodious renditions of ever-green Telugu film songs by renowned singers delighted the audience.” “Music lovers and spectators attended the event in large numbers, making it a grand success. The live orchestra performance was also telecast through YouTube Live, enabling music enthusiasts to enjoy the programme online.”

“Speaking on the occasion, the organizers highlighted the importance of preserving and promoting the rich heritage of Telugu film music. The event brought together several eminent personalities from the cultural and music fraternity.” “Among those present were Swarasudha Music President Komarraju Madhava Rao, Chief Advisor Dr. Vanam Krishnaveni of “Sujanahita,” Honorary President Parupalli Suresh, Vice-President V.V. Reddy, Programme Convener K.V. Ramana Rao, Treasurer P.J. Vinay Kumar, Publicity and Stage Coordinator Pinnelli Yadagiri, programme compere “Kalavachaspathi” G. Ravinder, noted devotional singer Naga Sai, prominent singers, dignitaries and members of the orchestra team.” “The musical extravaganza received an overwhelming response and rekindled memories of the golden era of Telugu cinema through its timeless melodies.

## Manda Jagan Felicitated in the Presence of Secunderabad MLA Padma Rao Goud

“Indian chronicle, Secunderabad, June 27 : “Secunderabad: “A grand felicitation ceremony was held in the presence of Secunderabad MLA T. Padma Rao Goud (Pajanna) to congratulate Manda Jagan, who was elected as President of the Secunderabad Padmashali Association, former Ward Member, and senior BRS leader. Konda Kishore Goud was also felicitated on his election as President of Ambanagar Basti.” “On the occasion, MLA Padma Rao Goud, along with Kiran Goud, Kishore Goud, and Rameshwar Goud, honored Manda Jagan with a shawl and extended their best wishes.” “Later, Dr. Chikka Devadasu, Na-



tional President of the Handloom Communities Awareness Forum, felicitated former Secunderabad corporators Lakshmi Prasanna, Samala Hema, Kandi Shailaja, and former corporator Kandi Narayana in recognition of their services.” “Speaking on the occasion, the leaders expressed confidence that Manda Jagan’s leadership would further strengthen the Padmashali Association and contribute to the welfare and development of the community.” “Several BRS leaders, Padmashali Association representatives, party workers, and local residents attended the programme.

## Wall Poster Unveiled Highlighting Prime Minister Modi's 12 Years of Governance

““Nacharam, Indian chornical, june 27:““A wall poster highlighting the 12 years of governance, development, and public service under Prime Minister Narendra Modi was unveiled in Nacharam Division under the leadership of Mallela Narsing Rao, Vice President of the BJP Medchal District. “Speaking on the occasion, Mallela



Narsing Rao said the initiative was aimed at taking the achievements of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 12 years of governance to the people. He stated that under Modi's leadership, India has made significant progress across various sectors and continues to move forward on the path of development. “He highlighted the Central Government's achievements in areas such as public welfare, infrastructure development, digital services, women's empowerment, and creating opportunities for youth. He emphasized that it is the responsibility of every BJP worker to take these developmental initiatives and welfare programs to the people. “The programme was attended by BJP leaders Malka Prakash, Abhishek Goud, Uday Kiran Reddy, Pratap Reddy, Daya Goud, Naveen Goud, Shekhar, along with youth leader Bhaskar, other party leaders, and BJP workers.

## Kuchipudi Dance Performances Enthrall Audience at Uppal Mini Shilparamam

““UPPAL KISHORE, JUNE 27 (INDIAN CHRONICLE): As part of the week-end cultural programs organized at the Uppal Mini Shilparamam, a captivating Kuchipudi dance performance by the disciples of Yashwanth Deekshit entertained



the audience on Saturday evening. “The troupe presented a series of classical dance items, including Sri Ganapathim Sevimparrare, Vinayaka Kautham, Jathiswaram, Brahmanjali, Januta Shabdam, Swagatham Krishna, Ramayana Shabdam, Garuda Gamana, Hanuman Chalisa, Thillana, Tarangam, and Ashtalakshmi Stotram. “The performances by the young artists — Sreenika, Anayashree, Rishita, Hanvika, Nishika, Hasavita, Aaradhya, Manojna, Sameeksha, Manaswini, Amulya, Yashaswi, and others — received enthusiastic appreciation from the audience and added grandeur to the cultural evening.

## OSMANIA UNIVERSITY VICE-CHANCELLOR VISITS ECIL; COMMISSIONS ACADEMIC-INDUSTRY MOU FOR RESEARCH & INNOVATION



“?OU JUNE 27 (INDIAN CHRONICLE): In a significant move to strengthen industry-institute interaction, the Vice-Chancellor of Osmania University, Prof. Kumar Molugaram, visited the Electronics Corporation of India Limited (ECIL), Hyderabad, today. During the high-profile visit, the Vice-Chancellor held extensive strategic discussions with Dr. Anish Sharma, Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of ECIL, and other executive directors to bridge the gap between advanced academic research and industrial application

.“?The leadership team at ECIL briefed the university delegation on their ongoing cutting-edge Development & Research (D&R) activities. Recognizing mutual institutional strengths, both entities expressed a keen interest in formalizing a collaborative framework. ECIL has proposed to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Osmania University focused on joint research initiatives, skill development, and robust industry-institute interaction.“?On this occasion, Prof. Kumar Molugaram was institutionalized and felicitated by CMD Dr. Anish Sharma for his leadership in higher education. Commending the technological milestones achieved by ECIL, the Vice-Chancellor emphasized the critical importance of experiential learning and directed the Principal of the University College of Engineering (UCE) to immediately initiate the structural and legal formalities for the MOU.“?The Vice-Chancellor was accompanied by a senior administrative delegation from the university, including Prof. P. Chandra Sekhar, Principal, University College of Engineering, and Prof. D. Ramakrishna, Director, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Cell, Osmania University.

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# Government Prioritizes Education Sector: Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy

Minister lays foundation stone for infrastructure development and repair works worth Rs 2.25 crore at TGSWRS Girls Junior College, Danavaigudem

“Khammam, June 27 Indian Chronicle:” “State Revenue, Housing, Information and Public Relations Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy stated that the State Government is giving top priority to the education sector and is taking comprehensive measures to provide all necessary infrastructure facilities in educational institutions. “On Saturday, the Minister laid the foundation stone for infrastructure development and repair works worth ₹2.25 crore at the TGSWRS Girls Junior College located in Danavaigudem under Khammam Municipal Corporation limits. “Speaking on the occasion, Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy said that the government is committed to providing students from economically weaker sections studying in government residential institutions with quality education and all essential facilities. He appreciated the dedication, commitment, and hard work displayed by the Principal and teaching staff towards the development of the institution. “The Minister observed that, in many cases, development works remain incomplete for years even after administrative approvals are granted. However, he praised the college authorities and the Principal for ensuring speedy execution of the sanctioned works through effective coordination and for treating the institution’s development as their own responsibility. “He further stated that since the formation of the present government, special emphasis has been placed on the welfare of students in residential educational institutions. The government has increased diet charges by 40 percent and cosmetic charges by 200 percent, thereby reducing the financial burden on poor families. He added that all necessary infrastructure, nutritious food, and essential amenities are being provided to ensure that students can pursue their education without difficulties. “The Minister advised students to make the best use of the opportunities provided by the government and focus wholeheartedly on their studies. He urged them to fulfill the aspirations of their parents, teachers, and Principal and strive to make the institution one of the model educational institutions in the state. “He instructed officials to submit proposals for any additional development works and facilities required by the college. The Minister directed them to transform the campus, playground, and surrounding areas into a model institution within the next 15 days by completing all pending infrastructure improvements. “Later, Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy laid the foundation stone for a check dam to be constructed at Ootavagu Thanda near Gollapadu and Teerdhala villages in Khammam Rural Mandal of Palair Assembly Constituency at an estimated cost of ₹6.75 crore. “Khammam RDO Srinivas, R&B Executive Engineer Basheer, the College Principal, public representatives, district officials from various departments, and others participated in the programme.



## Stop messing with students' future, release pending fee reimbursements worth Rs. 12,000 crore immediately, government has failed to protect the rights of SC and NT students: DGYS

“Sardar Singh, state coordinator of SC and NT Students Youth Association (DGYS), has demanded that the government immediately release the fee reimbursement arrears of about Rs 12,000 crore owed to SC and NT students in the state and save the educational future of thousands of students. Speaking at a press conference organized in Hyderabad, he criticized the government for showing complete negligence in the implementation of the Right to Education Act. He said that even though the Congress government has entered its third year, there has been no expected progress in resolving the problems of students. He said that the fact that the state still does not have a full-fledged education minister is a testament to the government's negligence in the education sector. Thousands of SC and NT students are facing difficulties in colleges due to non-release of pending fee reimbursement funds, with certificates being suspended, exams, higher education and job opportunities being affected, they have expressed their concern. He explained the immediate steps that the government should take as follows: The fee reimbursement arrears of SC and NT students should be released immediately. The admission process should be conducted in a completely transparent manner. The high fees charged in private colleges and hostels should be controlled. Strict legal action should be taken against those who indulge in caste discrimination in colleges. Special campus placement drives should be organized for SC and NT students in government and private educational institutions. An effective control system should be implemented on private universities. For the welfare of students, education and home department officials should conduct surprise inspections in hostels. He said that the infrastructure, laboratories and modern technological resources of government educational institutions in the state have not developed to the desired level. He urged that steps should be taken to develop government engineering colleges to match the standards of leading educational institutions and provide quality education. Stating that registering cases against those who raise questions about student problems and suppressing movements is against the spirit of democracy, he suggested that the government should come forward to solve the problems instead of suppressing them. He warned that if necessary, the movement will be further intensified across the state to protect the educational rights of SC and NT students. In this meeting, DGYS leaders and student representatives



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# Save the Girl Child Extends Educational Support to Orphan Girls

““““Hyderabad: ““““The Save the Girl Child organisation distributed study material to orphan girls studying at Asha Kiran Children's Home in Secunderabad. The study material was handed over by the organisation's member, Sharanya. “Speaking on the occasion, Sharanya said that the organisation functions under the leadership of Chanchalguda Jail Superintendent Shivakumar Goud with the primary objective of supporting and empowering girl children. She said the organisation has been extending educational assistance and other necessary support to the girls residing at the home to encourage their education and overall development. “She stressed that every individual has a responsibility to stand by and support girl children. “The programme was attended by the home's administrator Anitha, along with organisation members Vamsi Krishna, Nagendra, Naresh, Sai Kiran, Sreedhar, and others.



## Prabhu Deva Welcomes the MG M9 - Presidential Limousine by MG SELECT

““““Hyderabad: ““““Acclaimed actor, filmmaker, and dance icon Prabhu Deva—who has spent four decades redefining movement on screen, behind the camera, and on the dance floor—has now welcomed a new expression of comfort and luxury into his life. The MG M9 - Presidential Limousine, was delivered to his residence. “A name synonymous with creativity, versatility and enduring appeal, Prabhu Deva has entertained audiences across generations with his work spanning cinema, choreography and direction. His choice of MG SELECT's flagship luxury offering reflects an appreciation for innovation, sophistication and elevated experiences. “Fittingly for a man who has never sat still on screen, currently juggling a fantasy epic releasing in thirteen languages alongside multiple Tamil and Telugu productions, Prabhu Deva's latest acquisition is built for arriving in style and being thoroughly comfortable about it. Known for setting trends and redefining excellence both on and off screen, his remarkable journey has made him one of Indian cinema's most celebrated personalities. The MG M9, with its understated elegance and contemporary design, perfectly complements his dynamic persona and discerning lifestyle. “Crafted for individuals who appreciate luxury with purpose, the MG M9 offers an experience centred around comfort and refinement. The Presidential Seats feature 16-way adjustment, eight massage modes, heating and ventilation, arguably the only seats in India choreographed as meticulously as a Prabhu Deva dance number while the yacht-style dual sunroof creates an open and serene ambience. Complemented by ambient lighting, Cognac Brown leather interiors, intelligent armrest controls and flexible storage solutions, every detail has been designed to elevate the journey. “A recipient of multiple National Film Awards and widely regarded as one of India's most influential entertainers, Prabhu Deva has left an indelible mark on the world of cinema through his work as an actor, choreographer and filmmaker. Few artists can claim to have shaped the rhythm of Indian pop culture itself, his ability to seamlessly blend artistry with innovation has inspired generations, making him a true icon whose appeal transcends languages and geographies.

# ICFAI Law School Concludes One-Week Faculty Development Programme on Modern Legal Pedagogy



Hyderabad: ICFAI Law School, a constituent of the ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education (IFHE), successfully concluded a one-week Faculty Development Programme (FDP) titled "The Modern Law Schools: Navigating Outcome-Based Education (OBE) and Innovative Legal Pedagogy." The programme, held from June 22 to June 26, 2026, culminated in a valedictory session at the IFHE Auditorium on Friday. The FDP convened legal academicians, researchers, and faculty members from law schools and universities across India to discuss contemporary developments in legal education, innovative teaching methodologies, curriculum design, and Outcome-Based Education (OBE). The valedictory session was graced by Prof. (Dr.) Bindu S. Ronald, Vice Chancellor of Maharashtra National Law University, Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar, who served as the Chief Guest. In her address, Prof. Ronald underscored the rapidly evolving landscape of legal education and called on law teachers to continuously update their pedagogical approaches in step with technological advances and global best practices. Delivering the concluding remarks, Prof. (Dr.) Pujari Ravisekhararaju, Director

of ICFAI Law School, expressed his satisfaction with the FDP's successful completion and praised the enthusiastic participation of faculty members from diverse institutions. He observed that continuous professional development is vital for educators to meet the evolving demands of higher education and reaffirmed the institution's commitment to academic excellence, innovation, research, and capacity building. He extended thanks to the distinguished resource persons for sharing their expertise throughout the programme. Prof. (Dr.) Md. Akbar Khan, Associate Dean of ICFAI Law School, presented the programme report, offering a comprehensive overview of the five-day FDP. He noted the event featured lectures, panel discussions, and interactive sessions by eminent academicians, legal experts, and senior professionals on topics including Outcome-Based Education, innovative legal pedagogy, curriculum development, assessment strategies, experiential learning, research methodologies, the integration of digital technologies in legal education, and the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) in law schools.

## On World MSME Day, Meta Spotlights Northeast India's Entrepreneurial Spirit

Hyderabad: On the occasion of World MSME Day, today Meta brought together small business owners from across Northeast India for a landmark event in Guwahati to spotlight their stories and unlock new paths to growth. Nearly 350 businesses from across the region attended this event, highlighting the entrepreneurial spirit of the region. More than 92% of businesses using Meta platforms in India are MSMEs. Every day, entrepreneurs use Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp to find customers, build brands and grow revenue, often with limited resources and small teams. Small businesses are at the heart of India's growth story. At the event, entrepreneurs from the Northeast highlighted how they are building scalable brands, creating local jobs, and driving innovation in their communities. Representing a diverse mix of homegrown brands and artisans, local retailers and creators, their stories reflect the growing ambition of Northeast India's business community. Previously restricted in their reach, the role of digital tech-

nologies, and Meta ads, has helped many of these brands to get discovered and find an opportunity to expand across India and even internationally. AI-powered tools are helping businesses automate campaign creation, improve performance, and generate creative assets faster than ever before. Solutions such as Meta's Advantage+ suite and Generative AI creative tools are making advanced marketing capabilities more accessible to businesses of every size. Said Upamanyu Borkakoty, Founder of Woolah Tea, "We have been running Meta Ads for the last 4 years. Using the AI-powered Advantage+ Shopping campaign has been a game changer. Our orders jumped more than 600% within just 6 months of shifting focus on the Advantage+ Shopping Campaign. I am delighted to be a part of this event organized for SMEs of North East, and would love to see lots of more successful businesses from the region scale and get recognized"

# Stayfree Expands its Menstrual Hygiene portfolio with the launch of Xpert XL: Experience Redefined On-The-Go Period Protection

“Hyderabad: Stayfree, a leading menstrual hygiene brand announced the launch of Stayfree Xpert XL – a new menstrual hygiene solution designed to offer superior protection and comfort to women during their periods along with ease of carrying and disposing it. With this launch, Stayfree expands its portfolio in the feminine hygiene segment, offering a best-in-class solution tailored to support women through their changing lifestyles and evolving needs. “The introduction of Stayfree® Xpert XL reaffirms the brand’s continued focus on innovation to meet emerging needs of women in their overall period management. The Stayfree Xpert XL is designed with 3-in-1 protection”? Superior Protection: With Gel Lock Pockets for deep and instant absorption, locking in fluid quickly, giving a dry feel and protection throughout the day”? Comfort: Air Soft^ Cover for breathable and gentle feel against the skin, ensuring comfort throughout the wear”? Compact & Fits in Pocket - individually wrapped napkins that allow women to carry their pad conveniently with a wrapper for easy disposal “Commenting on expansion of Stayfree portfolio, Supriya Srinivasa, Marketing Director, Stayfree, said, “At Stayfree, we realize every woman has a different period experience and are constantly building solutions to improve the period experience for them. Stayfree® Xpert XL is one such disruptive innovation providing superior 3-in-1 protection with its: Gel Lock Pockets to provide deep and instant absorption, Air Soft Cover to improve how the pad feels on their skin and fitting-in-pocket design in individually wrapped napkins for ease of carrying and disposal. Stayfree remains committed to offer varied solutions for our consumers so they can choose what works best for them to manage their periods”. “To amplify the launch, Stayfree® has commenced a mega influencer campaign collaborating with voices from various walks of life, including Aditi Bhatia, Ashnoor Kaur and more to connect with younger, active digital-first consumers. “In Stayfree’s digital campaign with actress Aditi Bhatia, the film brings to life a regular day in any woman on her periods, the constant worry of leakage, skin irritation from using a pad, and the extra mental and physical baggage of carrying pads around when they are out and about. As the woman deals with her inner



thoughts and anxieties, the film highlights how Stayfree Xpert XL plays an active role in helping her manage her period challenges more seamlessly! “Through such authentic and relatable content across digital platforms, Stayfree reinforces its role in supporting women through trusted menstrual hygiene solutions.

## Hilton Announces the Debut of Spark by Hilton in Asia Pacific with the Opening of the First Two Hotels in Bengaluru and Goa, India

“Hyderabad: Hilton (NYSE: HLT) today announced the opening of Spark by Hilton hotels in Bengaluru and Goa, marking the arrival of the brand in Asia Pacific. The openings build on Hilton’s strategic agreement with Olive Hospitality to open 150 Spark by Hilton hotels across the country. “Launched in 2023, Spark by Hilton is one of Hilton’s fastest-growing brands globally, designed to meet the demand from travelers seeking reliable, quality stays at an accessible price point. Backed by extensive consumer insights, the brand has scaled rapidly across established and emerging markets, with over 240 operating hotels and nearly 230 properties in the pipeline across the US, UK, Canada and other international markets. The India launch marks a pivotal moment in Spark by Hilton’s global expansion, bringing Hilton’s trusted hospitality standards to a growing segment of middle-class travelers who increasingly seek simplicity, consistency, and value without compromising comfort or service. “Spark by Hilton Bengaluru Marathahalli Outer Ring Road, the 82-key hotel sits at the heart of Marathahalli, one of the city’s most active commercial and technology corridors, and is adjacent to Export Promotion Industrial Park, Embassy Tech Village, Eco World, Salarpuria Softzone and Helios Tech Park. The hotel is well-positioned to serve the steady flow of corporate and MICE demand that defines this part of the city. Meanwhile, the 64-key Spark by Hilton Goa Calangute, brings the brand to one of India’s most popular leisure destinations, catering to leisure travelers, group stays, corporate offsites and travel agent-led demand. “Zubin Saxena, senior vice president, regional head, South Asia, Hilton, said, “The modern Indian traveler is evolving rapidly, with guests increasingly seeking branded stays that deliver quality, convenience and consistency. Spark by Hilton addresses that need directly, and our partnership with Olive Hospitality gives us the platform to move at the pace this market deserves. With these first two openings, we are introducing a product that resonates strongly with today’s practical traveler while maintaining Hilton’s trusted service standards.”

