

Congress seeks stronger booth-level organisation in Karimnagar

BLA-2s, supervisors told to maintain regular contact with voters and safeguard votes during SIR process.

Karimnagar August 18 (Correspondent): The Karimnagar Corporation Congress Committee held a meeting of 26 BLA-2s and supervisors of the Karimnagar Assembly constituency here on Tuesday, with TPCC general secretary Gaddam Chandrashekhar Reddy calling for strengthening the party organisation at the booth level.

The meeting was presided over by Karimnagar Corporation Congress Committee president Vaidyula Anjan Kumar. Mr. Reddy attended as the chief guest.

The meeting discussed strengthening the party organisation, conducting party programmes at the booth level, maintaining regular contact with voters and safeguarding votes during the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) process.

Mr. Reddy said BLA-2s and supervisors had a crucial role in building a stronger party organisation at the grassroots. They should identify the problems faced by voters in their respective booth areas, bring them to the notice of the party leadership and work towards their resolution, he said.

He also urged party workers to take the welfare and development programmes being implemented by the Congress government to the people and explain the benefits of various government schemes.

Mr. Reddy called for coordinated efforts to conduct party programmes in the coming days and strengthen the Congress organisation in every booth.

Corporators Ghanta Srinivas, Jagan Reddy, Parvatula Malleshham, Vikram, Sikander and Akula Uday, ERO Mohan, women's wing office-bearers, BLA-2s, supervisors, party leaders and workers attended the meeting.



Sakhi Centre should take lead in providing legal aid: Additional Collector

Cases filed under Domestic Violence Act should be cleared without pendency, says Ashwini Tanaji Wakade.

Karimnagar August 18 (Correspondent): The Sakhi Centre should take the lead in extending legal assistance to women and girls facing violence and ensure that cases filed under the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005, do not remain pending, Additional Collector Ashwini Tanaji Wakade has said.

Addressing the 13th Management Committee meeting of the Karimnagar Sakhi Centre at Saptagiri Colony here on Tuesday, Ms. Wakade stressed the need for close coordination between the Sakhi Centre and the District Legal Services Authority to ensure timely legal assistance to victims.

She directed officials to ensure that Domestic Incident Reports (DIRs) prepared by Protection Officers in domestic violence cases filed through private advocates before the PCR Court were completed without delay, in coordination with ICDS Child Development Project Officers.

The Additional Collector also called for coordinated efforts by the departments concerned to provide comprehensive support to women and girls approaching the Sakhi Centre and resolve their grievances promptly.

She instructed officials to expedite victim compensation cases under G.O. Ms. No. 28 and ensure that no cases remained pending. She also sought status reports from all police stations in the district on cases registered under dowry harassment.

Ms. Wakade further directed the Sakhi Centre to submit reports on the action taken by women victims based on legal advice provided to them during counselling.

Sakhi Centre manager Damerla Lakshmi presented the action taken report on decisions taken at the previous management committee meeting.



Kartik Aaryan Named Brand Ambassador of Fashion City

“Hyderabad, August 18 (Indian Chronicle) : Value retail chain Fashion City has appointed National Award-winning actor Kartik Aaryan as its brand ambassador, Fashion City CEO Abhishek Khemka said in a statement released in the city on Tuesday. Speaking alongside Kartik Aaryan, Bazaar Retail Director and Fashion City Marketing Head Umesh Sharma, Khemka said the partnership comes as the company enters its 25th year and achieves the milestone of 250 stores across 13 states. Fashion City, operated by Bazaar Retail Private Limited, which was launched in 2002, offers fashion, lifestyle and home products at affordable prices. Khemka said the association with Kartik Aaryan would play a key role in strengthening the brand's expansion and deepening its engagement with consumers.



Response to a 'Prajavani' Grievance

“Serilingampalli Zone: During the 'Prajavani' (public grievance redressal) program for the Anjaiah Nagar division, Anjaiah Nagar division leader Anjaneyulu



Sagar lodged a complaint with Deputy Commissioner Balakrishna and the Additional Commissioner regarding the escalating mosquito menace in the area, urging officials from the concerned department to take immediate action. “Responding promptly to the complaint, officials dispatched the relevant entomology staff to Anjaiah Nagar to carry out anti-mosquito spraying operations. “Officials further stated that spraying would be conducted in a phased manner across other colonies and neighborhoods within the division, and that all necessary measures would be taken to curb the spread of mosquitoes. “Anjaneyulu Sagar expressed his sincere gratitude to Deputy Commissioner Balakrishna, the Additional Commissioner, and the concerned officials for their prompt response and action taken in the interest of public health.

Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud's 376th birth anniversary observed

“Indian chronicle, Secunderabad, August 18: “The 376th birth anniversary of Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud was observed with fervour at Balkampet in the Sanathnagar Assembly constituency on Tuesday. “The programme, organised under the leadership of Aliya Madhu Goud, Dasari Vijay Kumar Goud and Padmala, was attended by former Minister, former Vice-Chairman of the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) and BJP National Council member Marri Shashidhar Reddy as the chief guest. “Mr. Reddy paid floral tributes to the statue of Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud and later inaugurated an annadanam programme organised on the occasion. “Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Reddy recalled Papanna Goud's contribution to society and described him as a champion of the underprivileged. He said Papanna Goud's courage, fighting spirit and ideals continued to inspire the younger generation. “Mahankali-Secunderabad district BJP president Gundagoni Bharat Goud,



former district president B. Shyam Sundar Goud, State BJP youth leader Marri Pururava Reddy, district general secretary Nemali Anand, district vice-president Srisailam Goud and leaders Nakka Srinivas Goud, Kothapalli Raju Goud, Kandukuri Anil Kumar Goud, Dasharath Goud and Praveen Kumar Goud were among those present.

Key Step Towards World Heritage Recognition for Mudumal

“Hyderabad, August 18 (Indian Chronicle) : A joint team of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), Telangana Heritage Department and Deccan Heritage Academy Trust on Tuesday conducted a field inspection of the unique megalithic menhirs, stone circles, burial sites and massive stone structures at Mudumal in Krishna mandal of Narayanpet district. ASI Hyderabad Circle Superintending Archaeologist Dr. Nikhil Das said Mudumal is already included in UNESCO's World Heritage Tentative List. He noted that its astronomical and solar-alignment features, along with its rare megalithic structures, strengthen its Outstanding Universal Value. ASI Deputy Superintending Archaeologist Dr. Rohini Pandey Ambekar

stressed the need to preserve the site in its natural form. She suggested restricting vehicular movement and encouraging visitors to explore the heritage site on foot. Deccan Heritage Academy Trust Chairman Prof. Manikonda Vedakumar said the field inspection was a significant step in the process of securing UNESCO recognition for Mudumal. He said studies, documentation and site management would be completed through coordination among the State Tourism and Heritage Departments, ASI,



district administration and the Deccan Heritage Academy. Later, an awareness programme on archaeology and heritage was organised for students at the Mudumal Zilla Parishad High School. Officials and experts explained the historical significance of Mudumal and the need for its conservation. K.P. Rao, field and local officials, and villagers participated in the programme.

Removal of Encroachments on Nalla Cheruvu Shikam Land Uppal Tahsildar Pool Singh Chauhan



“““UPPAL, AUGUST 18 (INDIAN CHRONICLE): Encroachment removal operations were carried out on Tuesday against illegally constructed sheds and other encroachments on Nalla Cheruvu Shikam land in Survey No. 155, Uppal Tahsildar Pool Singh Chauhan said. “He stated that, following a request from Zonal Commissioner Radhika, IAS, a letter was sent to the DCP seeking police protection, and the operation was carried out with the cooperation of the police department. The encroachments were removed in coordination with municipal zonal commissioner staff, revenue officials and other personnel, he said. “The Tahsildar clarified that the land in Survey No. 155 is government land and Shikam land, and that constructing temporary sheds on government land without permission is not legally permissible. He said the action was taken as it is the responsibility of the authorities to protect government land. “He further said that the concerned officials had inspected the site several times with the intention of using the land for public purposes, and proposals were also under consideration for utilizing the land for public welfare programmes. The encroachment removal was carried out in accordance with the directions and coordination of the concerned authorities, he explained. “Chauhan said that making allegations without evidence while officials are legally discharging their duties to protect government land is inappropriate. He advised anyone having objections or complaints to approach the concerned authorities and ascertain the facts. He also said that the matter had been brought to the notice of the District Collector. “The Tahsildar stated that the actual situation would also be brought to the notice of the concerned Zonal Commissioner and DCP. Regarding legal action over baseless allegations, he said the authorities would proceed in accordance with the directions of higher officials and government regulations. “He appealed to media representatives to ascertain the version of the concerned authorities and verify the facts before publishing any allegation or complaint on social media or in the public domain.

Protecting government land and safeguarding public interests are the responsibilities of every government employee, he said, appealing to the public and media to cooperate with officials who are discharging their duties in accordance with the law.

Officials, Leaders Review Arrangements for Bangaru Maisamma Bonalu Festival

“““BODUPPAL, AUGUST 18 (INDIAN CHRONICLE): In view of the Bangaru Maisamma Ammavari Bonalu festival scheduled to be held on August 23, former mayor Thotakura Ajay Yadav, along with Boduppall Circle Deputy Commissioner Shailaja and Medipally CI Jalender, inspected the arrangements being made at the temple on Tuesday. On the occasion, they urged officials to complete all arrangements well in advance to ensure that devotees face no inconvenience. They reviewed arrangements related to sanitation, drinking water, electricity, security and traffic management. “As a large number of devotees are expected to attend the Bonalu celebrations, they suggested taking special measures to regulate the crowd and ensure the smooth conduct of the festival. “Pogula Narasimha Reddy, Bommaka Kalyan, Kotha Kishore Goud, Pogula Dileep Reddy, Rasala Venkatesh Yadav, Danagalla Yadagiri, Chirala Narasimha Reddy, temple chairman Bobbala Lakshma Reddy, temple organizers and others were present.



Uppal MLA Bandari Lakshma Reddy Urges Health Minister to Sanction Blood Bank and Diagnostic Centre



““UPPAL, AUGUST 18 (INDIAN CHRONICLE): Keeping in view the healthcare needs of the people of Uppal Assembly constituency, Uppal MLA Bandari Lakshma Reddy urged State Medical, Health and Family Welfare Minister C. Damodar Rajanarsimha to establish a government blood bank along with a comprehensive diagnostic centre in the constituency. “The MLA submitted a representation to Minister Damodar Rajanarsimha in this regard. He pointed out that despite the rapidly increasing population of Uppal constituency, the area currently does not have a government blood bank or a full-fledged government diagnostic centre. “He said that poor and middle-class families are facing a financial burden as they have to depend on private diagnostic centres for basic medical tests such as CBC, blood sugar, LFT, KFT and USG. “He further stated that diagnostic facilities at government hospitals, Community Health Centres (CHCs) and Primary Health Centres (PHCs) in the constituency need to be strengthened to ensure timely medical services. “MLA Bandari Lakshma Reddy requested the government to establish a government blood bank with component separation facilities and a government diagnostic centre equipped with essential services such as pathology, radiology and USG. “He said that these facilities would greatly benefit people not only from Uppal constituency but also from across Medchal–Malkajgiri district, while making emergency medical services more accessible. The MLA urged Minister Damodar Rajanarsimha to direct the concerned officials and take necessary steps for establishing the blood bank and diagnostic centre in the interest of public health. BRS leaders Sai Zen Shekhar, Gandham Nageshwar Rao, Jetta Kishore Kumar, along with party leaders and workers, were present.

Jangaon District Should Be Named After Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud

Hyderabad, Aug 18 : Telangana State BJP unit today demanded the state Congress government that Jangaon district should be named after Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud who was a great people's warrior fought for the downtrodden and weaker section.

Addressing the gathering after offering floral tribute to the portrait of Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud on his 376th birth anniversary celebrations organized at the State Headquarters, BJP state president N Ramchander Rao said on behalf of the Telangana State BJP unit, we demand that the Congress government immediately rename Jangaon district as "Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud district."

He reminded that recognizing the services of Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud, the Congress Party had promised in its 2023 election manifesto that it would name Jangaon district after him. Even though nearly three years have passed since coming to power, no decision has been taken on this promise so far. The Congress government is neglecting the implementation of the commitments made in the

BC Declaration, he alleged and asked it to install a statue of Papanna Goud as promised."

Rao said Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud was a great people's warrior who fought for the downtrodden and weaker sections. He was a brave leader who fought against the social injustices and oppression of his era, striving to bring change to the lives of common people. Rising from the Bahujan communities, Papanna Goud stands out in history as a warrior who challenged the ruling system and Mughal dominance of that time. He established his rule over the Golconda Fort, built a powerful army with thousands of soldiers, and fought for the people."

The birthplace of Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud is Khilashapur in Jangaon district. His life, struggle, and the forts he built hold a special place in the history of Telangana, he said."

BJP state chief Condemned the behaviour of the Congress party and alleged that it is insulting national song "Vande Mataram".

" "Vande Mataram" is a great song that ignited the national spirit among the people during India's freedom

struggle. According to the decision of the Constituent Assembly of India, Vande Mataram was accorded equal respect and status alongside the national anthem, 'Jana Gana Mana, he said adding that on the occasion of the 150th anniversary celebrations of Vande Mataram, the central government is conducting nationwide programs for the public to sing the full version of the song. According to the directives of the Ministry of Home Affairs in 2026, the official full version consists of six stanzas. " Rao said the Congress Party is displaying a negligent attitude toward Vande Mataram. During a program held in Goa, Congress National President Mallikarjun Kharge sang only two stanzas. Earlier, during a Congress Party event in Delhi while the full version of Vande Mataram was being rendered, a major controversy erupted over the conduct of leaders including Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi, Mallikarjun Kharge, and others. " The Telangana State unit of the BJP strongly condemned the stance adopted by the Congress Party regarding Vande Mataram, Rao said adding that the Con-

gress party must at least now set aside vote-bank politics and demonstrate respect towards patriotism, national honor, and national symbols."

Former governor Bandaru Dattatreya, who was attended the function and paid tribute to portrait of Papanna Goud and said it is the responsibility of all of us to remember great leaders like Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud who fought against injustice and oppression with courage, bravery and self respect which is an inspiration to everyone."

In memory of Sardar Sarvai Papanna Goud, a suitable memorial along with his statue should be set up at his birthplace. His biography and stories of struggle should be widely publicized under government auspices to present him as a role model for future generations, Dttatreya suggested."

Besides former Governor Bandaru Dattatreya, Malkajgiri Member of Parliament Eatala Rajender, MLC Malka Komurayya, BJP State General Secretary Dr. N. Gautam Rao, BJP OBC Morcha State President Anand Gaud, along with other prominent leaders and party workers, participated in large numbers.

Why devotional music is finding a new place in India's live entertainment landscape



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“Hyderabad:” “For generations, devotional music has been deeply woven into India’s cultural and spiritual fabric experienced in temples, satsangs, homes and intimate gatherings. But as the country’s live entertainment landscape evolves, devotional music is beginning to find a new expression: on the concert stage, at scale, and as a shared live experience.” “This is not about taking devotion out of its traditional context. It is about creating new spaces in which people can experience it through music, collective singing, storytelling, immersive environments and live performance.” “The emergence of large-format devotional experiences reflects a broader evolution in the way audiences engage with culture today. Increasingly, live entertainment is not only about watching a performance; it is about being part of an experience. Devotional music, by its very nature, lends itself to this shift. A bhajan or kirtan is not simply heard, it is sung, experienced and shared.” “Anant Naad - Music for the Soul, by TribeVibe, Alphonso Studios and Big FM featuring Devi Chitrakhaji, is part of this emerging live format, bringing devotional music and the spiritual essence of Vrindavan to a concert-scale experience in Delhi.” “Devotional Music Is Moving Beyond Traditional Settings” “The temple or satsang is no longer the only space where devotional music can be experienced collectively. Large-format concerts are creating new avenues for audiences to engage with bhajans, kirtans and chants, bringing these traditions into contemporary live entertainment without taking away from their essence.” “Audiences Are Seeking More Meaningful Live Experiences” “As live entertainment becomes increasingly experience-led, audiences are looking for moments that offer more than a performance. Devotional concerts bring together the energy of a live event with music, reflection, emotion and a sense of connection - creating an experience that audiences can feel as much as they watch.”

redBus launches 'Freedom Bottle' campaign in Hyderabad, encouraging women to prioritise hydration

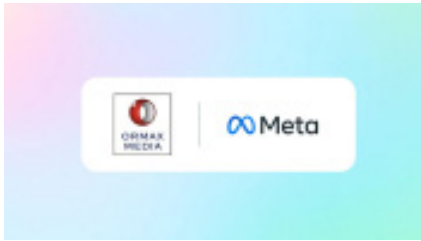


“Hyderabad” “45,000 specially designed Freedom Bottles to be distributed across restroom-equipped buses in Hyderabad during Independence Week” “Ahead of the 80th Independence Day, redBus, a leading online bus ticketing platform, has launched ‘Travel Equal’, an initiative focused on identifying and addressing the everyday inequalities women experience while travelling. As the first activation under this initiative, redBus has rolled out the Freedom Bottle campaign in Hyderabad, with 45,000 specially designed Freedom Bottles set to be distributed to women travelling on buses equipped with in-bus toilets between 11 and 17 August.” “The campaign responds to an everyday but often overlooked challenge in women’s bus travel: uncertainty around restroom access can influence how freely women stay hydrated during long journeys. Freedom Bottle brings attention to this compromise and encourages women to stay hydrated, while highlighting the role of in-bus toilets in enabling a more comfortable travel experience.” “The concern extends beyond comfort, with research highlighting the potential health implications of routinely delaying restroom use. A research study published in National Library of Medicine, identified habitual delayed urination as a significant behavioural risk factor for urinary tract infections (UTIs), with poor sanitary conditions in public toilets cited as a key reason women delay using the restroom.” “The relevance of this issue is particularly significant given the scale of women’s intercity bus travel in India. According to the latest redBus India Bus Track 2026 Report, more than 50 million women travelled on intercity buses in India, accounting for 34% of all travellers. While adult women are generally advised to consume around three litres of water and other beverages a day, concerns around clean and reliable restroom access can lead women to consciously reduce their water intake during long-distance travel.”

Social Feeds Are Powering India's Micro-Drama Boom: Meta-Ormax Report

Hyderabad As short-form video reshapes how audiences consume content on their smartphones, micro dramas are rapidly emerging not only as a new storytelling format but also as a new business vertical in India. At its inaugural Meta Marketing Summit: Micro-Drama Edition, the company shed light on the rising number of micro-drama platforms that are now actively using Meta platforms to reach relevant audiences, launch new shows, and build their business.

To capture the rise of this industry, Meta also unveiled a new audience research report developed in collaboration with media insights firm Ormax Media that examines how this category is evolving and how viewers are discovering and engaging with it. Titled "Micro Dramas: The India Story," the report finds that 65% of viewers discovered micro dramas within the last year, and an overwhelming 89% of viewers discover micro dramas through social feeds, highlighting feed-led discovery and signalling the rapid rise of the format among digital audiences. Unlike traditional OTT viewing, micro-dramas are built around short, episodic narratives designed for smartphone consumption, where audiences encounter stories through social feeds rather than actively searching for them. Said Shailesh Kapoor, Founder-CEO, Ormax Media, "Micro dramas are beginning to show the early signs of becoming a distinct content category in India's digital entertainment landscape. What makes this format interesting is not just the content itself, but the viewing habit forming around it — one that is deeply tied to mobile-first, personal-screen consumption. When a format aligns closely with how audiences naturally engage with their devices, it has the potential to scale very quickly. The signals we are seeing today suggest micro dramas could evolve into a meaningful new layer within India's digital content ecosystem."



Bhuvanagiri MP Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy Speaks in Lok Sabha Following Revocation of Suspension

Bhuvanagiri MP Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy Participates in the Discussion on 'Demands for Grants' for Agriculture (Mandava Srisailam... Yadadri Bhuvanagiri District Bureau... Indian Chronicle... March 18): Bhuvanagiri MP Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy stated that while half of India's population depends on agriculture for their livelihood, the sector contributes only 16% to 18% to the GDP—a clear testament to a structural imbalance within the economy. He asserted that the 2026–27 budget is not favorable to farmers and that the Union Budget, in its current form, offers no benefit to the farming community. He pointed out that while loans amounting to nearly ₹16 lakh crore were waived for corporate entities, farmers' loans were not waived. He questioned: "What crime have the farmers of this country committed? Does the Central Government assume that farmers lack a voice to demand their rights?" He further questioned why the Central Government has failed to implement the recommendations of the Swaminathan Committee and why a Minimum Support Price (MSP) is not being provided for agricultural produce. He asked why the Centre has been unable to address the farmers' demand for a legal guarantee regarding their rights. He also questioned the Central Government's decision to enter into trade agreements with the United States at a time when farmers are facing severe distress. Furthermore, he urged the Centre to extend its cooperation regarding the amendments proposed by the Telangana state government to the 'Seeds Bill 2025,' as well as to provide compensation for crop losses and support for seed production activities. He stated that there is a need to establish a Regional Oil Palm Research Center in Telangana to provide scientific support to oil palm farmers. He urged the Central Government to take sustainable measures to ensure the availability of standard seed sprouts and to establish an agricultural university in Telangana, in accordance with the Andhra Pradesh Reorganization Act of 2014. He emphasized that Telangana requires support from the Central Government and that the budget needs to be revised. He asserted that the government must adopt a pro-farmer stance, noting that 60% of the country's population depends on farmers. Bhuvanagiri MP Chamala Kiran Kumar Reddy further pointed out that nearly 50% of employment in the country is generated by the agricultural sector.



Canon Celebrates 30 Years of PowerShot with a PowerShot G7 X Mark III

Hyderabad Canon Inc. announced on 5 February 2026 that 2026 marks the 30th anniversary of the launch of Canon's PowerShot digital compact camera lineup. In commemoration of this milestone, a PowerShot G7 X Mark III model featuring a special-edition colour in limited quantity and 30th anniversary logo will be released. Since the launch of the inaugural PowerShot 600 in July 1996, the PowerShot lineup has expanded to cater to diverse user needs. Developed for users to enjoy capturing high-quality photos and videos with greater ease, the lineup has been embraced by users of all levels from beginners to advanced enthusiasts. The overall production volume of compact digital cameras including the IXUS series exceeded 200 million units in December 2025 worldwide. The current PowerShot lineup consists of three series that are tailored to suit different lifestyle needs: the G series packs exceptional image quality and rich features into compact and lightweight bodies; the V series, enables effortless advanced video shooting, and the SX series offers powerful zoom capabilities. Canon will continue to address users' evolving needs through the PowerShot series, pursuing advanced technologies and expressive capabilities to contribute to the continued growth of photo and video culture. Launch of the PowerShot 30th Anniversary Commemorative Edition First launched in August 2019, the PowerShot G7 X Mark III delivers rich imaging capabilities with a 1.0-inch stacked CMOS sensor with approximately 20.1 effective megapixels, optics with a large and bright maximum aperture, and a 4.2x zoom lens. In addition to still shooting, it is equipped with convenient video features such as the vlogging-centric Video Blog recording mode.



Edelweiss Life Insurance targets breakeven by FY27

Hyderabad Edelweiss Life Insurance expects to grow in double digits over the next 2-3 years and hopes to achieve breakeven by FY27, MD and CEO Sumit Rai said. "We are about a 14-year-old organisation. The early years, particularly between 2011 and 2016, were a muted period of growth for the life insurance industry overall. We were also new at that stage and deliberately conservative in how we approached the business. The real inflection in our growth came post 2017-2018," Rai said. The insurer was primarily a one-channel company early on, he said, adding that "we now operate as a multi-channel insurer, with proprietary and partnership distribution contributing roughly 50-50." The same balance is reflected in the company's product mix as well, Rai said. The company's consistent focus has been on building a well-diversified, long-term business across channels and products, Rai said. The company saw a strong momentum in Q3FY26. Its individual APE grew 38% year-on-year, faster than the industry by a wide margin. In FY26, Rai said, the company is targeting to close around Rs 650 crore of new business and a total premium income of approximately Rs 2,400 crore. From a capital standpoint, Rai said, the company is very well capitalised. "Our paid-up capital stands at around Rs 2,900 crore today. Over the last few years, we have infused approximately Rs 175–200 crore annually, and we expect this level of capital support to broadly continue over the next two to three years as we scale."



Offering an Opportunity to Pursue a Unique Master's in Transformational Learning

Hyderabad Teach For India, a non-profit championing educational equity, has announced the next deadline for its 2026 Fellowship. Through the Fellowship, aspiring leaders will have the opportunity to make a lasting impact on the lives of children while shaping the future of education in India. In addition to the Fellowship experience, selected Fellows will have the unique opportunity to opt for a two-year postgraduate programme (four semesters), enabling them to earn a master's degree in transformational learning while continuing their full-time, paid teaching.

Delhi riots case: Sharjeel Imam to surrender at Tihar as interim bail expires



New Delhi: Student activist Sharjeel Imam is set to surrender before Tihar Jail authorities on Monday upon the expiry of the 10-day interim bail granted to him by a Delhi court in connection with the alleged larger conspiracy behind the 2020 North-East Delhi riots.

Imam had been granted interim bail by the Karkardooma Court from March 20 to March 30 to attend his younger brother's wedding and to take care of his ailing mother, subject to stringent conditions.

Additional Sessions Judge Sameer Bajpai had allowed temporary relief, directing Imam to furnish a personal bond of Rs 50,000 along with two sureties of the like amount. The court had also imposed strict restrictions, including a prohibition on interacting with the media or using social media during the interim bail period.

The court had further directed that Imam would only meet his family members, relatives and friends and not con-

tact any witness or any person connected with the case

He was also asked to keep his mobile phone active at all times and share the number with the investigating officer. During the interim bail period, Imam was permitted to remain either at his residence or at the venues of the wedding ceremonies, as specified in his application.

Imam, who has been in custody for over five years, had sought interim bail citing his role as the sole sibling responsible for managing the wedding arrangements and supporting his family, particularly his ailing mother.

The prosecution had opposed the plea, contending that his presence was not indispensable for the ceremonies and that adequate arrangements had already been made by the family. It also argued that there was no emergent medical condition necessitating his release.

Imam is among several student activists who have been booked under the UAPA and various provisions of the

Student activist Sharjeel Imam will surrender before Tihar Jail authorities on Monday after the expiry of his 10-day interim bail granted for family reasons. The bail, approved by the Karkardooma Court, came with strict conditions including restrictions on media interaction and social media use.

Indian Penal Code in connection with the alleged conspiracy behind the February 2020 North-East Delhi riots.

According to the Delhi Police, the violence was not a spontaneous outbreak but the culmination of a premeditated conspiracy involving mobilisation, road blockades and coordinated protests aimed at disrupting normal life and drawing international attention during the visit of then US President Donald Trump.

Earlier this year, the Supreme Court dismissed the bail pleas of Imam and co-accused Umar Khalid in the case, holding that the prosecution material, taken cumulatively and at face value, disclosed reasonable grounds for believing that the accusations against them were prima facie true, thereby attracting the statutory embargo on bail under Section 43D(5) of the UAPA.

Mega Free Medical Camp Organized by Tammishetti Hospitals Under the Leadership of Tammishetti Venkateswarlu



A free mega medical camp was organized in Chinnagopathi village of Konijarla mandal under the leadership of CPI district committee member Tammishetti Venkateswarlu. Medical staff from Prathima Cancer Hospital, Warangal, and Tammishetti Hospital, Wyra participated in the camp. During the program, several free medical services were provided, including cancer screening tests, blood pressure and sugar tests, general health check-ups, and distribution of free medicines. Residents of Chinnagopathi village and people from nearby villages made use of this opportunity and received medical services. They expressed their gratitude and requested that such initiatives be conducted more frequently for the benefit of the public. "The villagers also appreciated and thanked Tammishetti Venkateswarlu, head of Tammishetti Hospitals, for organizing the free medical camp.

