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Drunk Driving Suspected in Major Road Accident

Case Registered Against Driver for Driving W ithout a Licence; Vehicle Owner Also Booked







“““MEDIPALLY , OCTOBER 22 (INDIAN CHRONICLE): “Medipally police have registered a case and launched an investigation into a major road accident allegedly caused by drunk driving, overspeeding and negligent driving. Police said a separate case was also registered against the vehicle owner for allegedly allowing a person without a valid driving licence to drive the vehicle.“Car Overturns After Being Hit from Behind“According to police, based on a complaint lodged by Mende Shankar (53), his son Saishiva (30), a civil engineer, was travelling with his wife Meghana (28) in an i10 car from LB Nagar to Narsampet in Warangal district.“When they reached the HP petrol bunk near Pillar No. 57 on the Warangal Highway within the limits of Peerzadiguda, a Toyota Fortuner coming from behind at high speed allegedly rammed into their car.“The impact caused the i10 to overturn several times, while the Fortuner went out of control and crashed into an electricity pole. Saishiva and his wife Meghana sustained injuries in the accident and were shifted to Ozone Hospital in Chaitanyapuri for treatment.“Driver Allegedly Had No Driving Licence“The complaint identified the driver of the Fortuner as Akun Sabrawal, son of Mangilal, a resident of Narapally. The complaint reportedly raised suspicions that the driver was under the influence of alcohol at the time of the accident. When questioned about his driving licence, he allegedly stated that he did not have one.“The complainant also alleged that the number plate fitted to the Fortuner involved in the accident was fake. These allegations are part of the police investigation.“Cases Registered Against Driver and Vehicle Owner“Police registered a case under Sections 281 and 125(a) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), along with relevant provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act.“A separate case was also registered against Mangilal, the vehicle owner, under Section 180 of the Motor Vehicles Act for allegedly permitting a person without a driving licence to drive the vehicle.“Strict Action Against Traffic Violations“Medipally SHO Jalandhar Reddy said that driving under the influence of alcohol, overspeeding, negligent driving and the use of fake number plates are offences punishable under law.“He warned that vehicle owners who hand over their vehicles to persons without valid driving licences would also face legal action. He urged motorists to follow traffic rules and drive responsibly to prevent accidents.

Dussehra Celebrations Held Grandly in Old City

""Hyderabad, October 22 (Indian Chronicle) : Dussehra celebrations were held grandly at Arya Maidan near Sudha Talkies in Shalibanda, Old City, under the aegis of Sanghamitra Association. Dr.Raj Narayana Mudiraj, State President of Telangana Medhavula Forum, attended as the chief guest and said Dussehra



symbolises the victory of good over evil. Association Secretary Satyanarayana said that Bathukamma celebrations and Ravana Dahan programmes had been organised continuously for the past 60 years. Sarees were distributed to women who won the Bathukamma competitions. On the occasion, prominent social worker and TPCC Greater Hyderabad Secretary Kashimoni Shyam Rao Mudiraj and electricity department employee G.Venugopal were felicitated by Neeraj Saxena. Former corporator Aale Jitendra, Moghalpura Police Station SI Sai Kumar, senior BJP leader Arjun Arya, educationist M.Prasad Rao, Ritu Saxena and Ekta Saxena attended the programme.

Chilakalguda Police Extend Helping Hand to Homeless Man

" Indian Chronicle,"Secunderabad, October 22 : ""In a humanitarian gesture, Chilakalguda Police came to the rescue of a homeless man found in a helpless condition on a footpath and ensured that he received safe shelter and care."The man, identified as Sagar Kumar Gupta, aged around 45, was found on a footpath opposite SP College in Padmarao Nagar on Thursday. After noticing his plight, local residents alerted the police. Responding promptly, police personnel reached the spot and tried to ascertain his identity. However, he was unable to clearly provide his personal details, family background or residential address."Taking his safety and well-being into consideration, Chilakalguda Inspector V. Ramakrishna, along with his patrolling staff, took special care to arrange suitable shelter for him. As part of the initiative, the man was safely shifted to the Second Chance Foundation in Yapral to ensure proper care and protection."Inspector Ramakrishna stated that the police would always remain committed to protecting and supporting people in distress, particularly the homeless and vulnerable. The compassionate response of the Chilakalguda Police has drawn appreciation from local residents.



HYDRA Turns Its Focus on Amrutha Bar Land

Officials Conduct Field-Level Inquiry into Survey No. 3 Land and Alleged Canal Encroachment Following Settlers Forum Complaint

""""BODUPPAL , OCTOBER 22 (INDIAN CHRONICLE):"The land associated with Amrutha Bar in Boduppal, along with land in Survey No. 3 and allegations of canal encroachment, has come under scrutiny. Following a complaint lodged by Kathi Venkat Reddy, president of the Boduppal Circle Settlers Forum, along with forum members, HYDRA officials have initiated an inquiry into the matter."Acting on the instructions of HYDRA Commissioner A.V. Ranganath, officials conducted a field-level inspection to examine the land in question and verify the allegations."A team comprising HYDRA Circle Inspector Rajasekhar and Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) Viswanath visited the Amrutha Bar premises and inspected the relevant site. The officials carried out a preliminary examination of the land details relating to Survey No. 3, documents pertaining to the Amrutha Bar property and the allegations of canal encroachment."Officials Direct Submission of Land Documents"Representatives of the Settlers Forum urged the authorities to thoroughly examine all relevant land records to establish the facts of the case. As part of the inquiry, the officials directed the concerned individuals to submit the relevant land documents at the HYDRA office for verification."The actual status of the land and the allegations is expected to become clearer following scrutiny of the documents and further investigation by the authorities."Settlers Forum Calls for Protection of Public Assets"The Settlers Forum urged the authorities to take stringent measures to protect government lands, natural water channels, nalas and other properties meant for public use. Forum president Kathi Venkat Reddy and members



stated that they would continue their efforts to safeguard public assets and raise concerns over alleged illegal constructions and land encroachments."They also said that their campaign would continue until the concerned departments responded to public complaints and took appropriate steps to resolve such issues."Meanwhile, the ongoing inquiry has generated interest among local residents, who are awaiting the outcome of the land-record verification and the subsequent action, if any, by HYDRA officials."Note: No official confirmation of land or canal encroachment has been issued so far. The matter remains under investigation, and the allegations are being reported as claims made in the complaint.

MLA Bandari Lakshma Reddy Seeks Immediate Resolution of Lift Problems in Cherlapally, Kapra Double-Bedroom Housing

""""UPPAL, OCTOBER 22 (INDIAN CHRONICLE):"Uppal MLA Bandari Lakshma Reddy has urged the Housing Department to take immediate steps to resolve lift-related problems in double-bedroom housing complexes in Cherlapally and Kapra, where residents are facing considerable inconvenience due to non-functional lifts."In this regard, the MLA met Housing MD Gautam, IAS, at the Telangana Secretariat and brought to his attention the difficulties being faced by beneficiaries in the affected housing complexes."He explained that the non-functioning lifts were causing serious hardships, particularly for senior citizens, women, young children and people suffering from health problems. Residents were finding it difficult to access their homes, especially those living on the upper floors."The MLA requested the Housing MD to initiate necessary repairs and restore the lifts to working condition at the earliest. He also urged the concerned officials to treat the matter as a priority and resolve the issue promptly, keeping in view the difficulties faced by the beneficiaries."Bandari Lakshma Reddy emphasized the need for immediate action to ensure that residents of the double-bedroom housing complexes in Cherlapally and Kapra receive the essential facilities without further inconvenience.



Flags of 193 Nations to Mark UN Day in Hyderabad

““Hyderabad Correspondent, October 22 (Indian Chronicle): Hyderabad will host a United Nations Day flag-raising ceremony on October 24, bringing together flags representing 193 countries in a programme promoting global peace, international solidarity and environmental responsibility. The event is being jointly organised by the Philvex Hobby Society and the Indian Vexillological Association, with support from the Hyderabad Metropolitan Development Authority (HMDA). The ceremony will be held at Sanjeevaiah Park near Necklace Road at 9 am. Speaking at the Hyderabad Press Club on Thursday, Philvex Hobby Society founder K. Sanjeeva Rao said the celebrations would feature the display of national flags followed by a symbolic salute to Mother Earth. Special Chief Secretary J.S. Ranjan is expected to attend as the chief guest, along with several IAS officers. Sanjeeva Rao said the initiative sought to reinforce the values of peaceful coexistence and encourage public awareness of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, particularly the shared responsibility of protecting the environment.



Alai Balai Programme to Be Held in Mallapur on October 25

“Nacharam, October 22,(INDIAN CHORNICLE):““An Alai Balai programme will be organised at Sri Beerappa Swamy Temple in Mallapur on October 25, organiser Suryam Rajeshwar said.“Uppal MLA Bandari Lakshma Reddy, along with leaders from various political parties, will attend the programme as chief guests, he said.“Speaking on the occasion, Rajeshwar stated that the Alai Balai programme symbolises friendship, unity and mutual affection. He appealed to political leaders, poets, artists and representatives of colony associations to attend the event and make it a grand success.“He said the programme aims to strengthen bonds of friendship and promote harmony among people from different walks of life.



Salute to the Sacrifices of Police Personnel – Their Services in Maintaining Law and Order Are Immortal

““Sri Ram Venkat Pays Rich Tributes to Police Martyrs on Police Commemoration Day““Taranaka, October 22(INDIAN CHORNICLE):““ Sri Ram Venkat, District President of the Intellectual Forum, BJP Mahankali District, paid rich tributes to police martyrs on the occasion of Police Commemoration Day, highlighting the invaluable services rendered by police personnel in protecting public safety and maintaining peace and law and order in society.““He stated that police personnel work tirelessly to safeguard the lives and property of citizens, demonstrating exceptional dedication and commitment to their duties. Whether during festivals, public celebrations, natural disasters, or emergency situations, their primary objective remains the safety and security of the people.““He said that the sacrifices made by brave police personnel who laid down their lives in the line of duty for the protection of the public and the service of the nation would never be forgotten. Their courage, dedication, and spirit of sacrifice would continue to inspire future generations. He also emphasized that society must always remember and honour the sacrifices made by the families of police martyrs.““Sri Ram Venkat further stated that maintaining peace and law and order is not merely the responsibility of the police department but also a collective social responsibility of every citizen. By cooperating with the police, respecting the law, and promoting peace and harmony in society, citizens can pay true tribute to the brave martyrs.““On this solemn occasion, he offered his heartfelt tributes to all police personnel who sacrificed their lives in the line of duty and extended his sincere appreciation to every police officer and personnel working tirelessly to ensure public safety.““““The sacrifices of our police personnel are a matter of national pride. Their services are a shield of protection for society, and their courage remains an enduring inspiration to every citizen.”

BJP Leaders Attend Navaratri Celebrations in Mallapur, NTR Nagar





“Mahabubnagar MP Smt. D.K. Aruna Offers Prayers to Goddess Durga““HB Colony, October 22(INDIAN CHORNICLE):““ Mahabubnagar MP Smt. D.K. Aruna participated in the Navaratri celebrations organised by the people of Palamuru in Mallapur, NTR Nagar, today and offered prayers to Goddess Durga““On the occasion, BJP leader Ram Pradeep Munuganti met Smt. D.K. Aruna and conveyed his greetings during a courtesy meeting.

Dussehra Celebrations Held Grandly at Arya Maidan shalibanda in the Old City Hyderabad





""Hyderabad, Oct.22 (Indian Chronicle): Dussehra symbolizes the triumph of good over evil and reflects the rich culture and traditions of Telangana. Dr. Raj Narayan Mudiraj, State President of the Telangana Intellectuals Forum, extended heartfelt Dussehra greetings to the people of the Old City and urged everyone to celebrate the festival with joy and enthusiasm."He was speaking as the chief guest at the Dussehra celebrations Shalibanda branch of Sanghamitra Association at Arya Maidan, near Sudha Talkies in Shalibanda, on the occasion of the festival."Addressing the gathering, Dr. Raj Narayan Mudiraj said that Dussehra represents the victory of good over evil. He called upon everyone to pray for timely and adequate rainfall and for the well-being and prosperity of the people."Mr. Satyanarayana, Secretary of Sanghamitra Association, said that festivals should be celebrated peacefully and joyfully by everyone. He explained that the association has been organizing Bathukamma celebrations and Ravana Dahan programmes every year on the occasion of Vijayadashami for the past 60 years without interruption."He further stated that thousands of women from various localities of the Old City bring Bathukamma to the venue and participate in the celebrations with traditional songs and devotional fervour. On this occasion, sarees were distributed to the women who won the Bathukamma competition."During the programme, Mr. Kashimoni Shyam Rao Mudiraj, a well-known social worker from the Old City and Secretary of the Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (Greater Hyderabad), and Mr. G. Venugopal, an employee of the Electricity Department in the Old City, were felicitated with shawls on behalf of Sanghamitra Association. Mr. Neeraj Saxena, a member of the association, participated in the felicitation ceremony."Former corporator Ale Jitendra of gowlipura, SI Sai Kumar of Moghalpura Police Station, senior Old City BJP leader Arjun Arya, educationist Mr. M. Prasad Rao, Ritu Saxena, and Ekta Saxena, among others, attended the programme and extended their Dussehra greetings to the public.

GLENFIDDICH REIMAGINES LUXURY FESTIVE GIFTING WITH DESIGNER RAJESH PRATAP SINGH

“““““Hyderabad:“““““Glenfiddich, the pioneering single malt Scotch whisky brand, has partnered with celebrated Indian designer Rajesh Pratap Singh to introduce a limited-edition festive gifting collection across its 12, 15 and 18-Year-Old expressions in India. United by a shared pursuit of craftsmanship, precision and a pioneering spirit, the collaboration reimagines luxury whisky gifting through thoughtfully designed accessories that extend the Glenfiddich experience beyond the bottle.“For generations, Glenfiddich has challenged convention while remaining true to its heritage, continually advancing the craft of single malt whisky-making. This pioneering spirit underpins the collaboration with Singh, whose contemporary design philosophy similarly brings together tradition, precision and a progressive outlook. Together, the two bring distinct creative worlds into conversation, united by a commitment to mastery and an appreciation for the details that define exceptional craft.“Moving beyond conventional gifting formats, the collection brings individuality and contemporary design to the festive occasion. The Glenfiddich 12-Year-Old gifting pack features a specially designed pocket square, with 10 designs showcased through a distinctive bottle neck tag. The Glenfiddich 15 Year Old edition pairs a pocket square with a stag brooch, while the 18 Year Old edition features a specially designed button set. Each accessory translates Glenfiddich’s craftsmanship into personal style, while the packaging brings together the brand’s iconic stag and distillery imagery with gold festive motifs.““Kartik Mohindra, Managing Director, William Grant & Sons India, said, “At Glenfiddich, our pioneering spirit has always been rooted in a deep respect for craftsmanship and an instinct to innovate. Our collaboration with Rajesh Pratap Singh brings this philosophy to life through a new expression of luxury gifting. By moving beyond conventional gifting formats to create something distinctive, considered and enduring, we are extending the Glenfiddich experience beyond the whisky itself. It reflects our belief that true luxury lies not just in what you give, but in the thought, craft and meaning behind it.”



Avail affordable Firecracker Insurance on PhonePe this festive season

“““““Hyderabad ““““PhonePe announced the return of its comprehensive Firecracker Insurance, available for the third consecutive year on its platform. It offers extensive medical coverage up to ?25,000 for fixed, pocket-friendly premiums starting at ?11 to provide absolute protection against firecracker-induced mishaps during the festive occasion of Diwali.“Available digitally on the PhonePe platform and underwritten by Aditya Birla Health Insurance, this seasonal micro-insurance aims to provide enhanced assurance and protection to buyers so they can enjoy the festivities knowing they have financial support in the event of an unanticipated incident.“The policy offers protection across three main areas:““Hospitalisation Cover: Provides reimbursement up to ?25,000 for inpatient medical stays exceeding 24 hours.“Day-Care Treatment: Covers medical expenses up to ?25,000 for minor procedures or burn treatments requiring less than 24 hours of hospital admission.“Accidental Death Benefit: Provides a fixed lump-sum payout of ?25,000 (applicable exclusively to the primary policyholder).““Hospitalisation and Day-Care coverage protects the primary policyholder, spouse, and up to two dependent children, whereas the Accidental Death benefit is limited exclusively to the primary policyholder. To accommodate different festive schedules, the coverage is offered through two variants. For clarity during purchase, only one active plan is displayed on the platform at any given point:

Monkey Shoulder Continues the 9th Edition of the Ultimate Bartender Championship in India with the Hyderabad Round

“““““Hyderabad:“““““Hyderabad: Monkey Shoulder, the premium blended malt Scotch whisky, concluded the Hyderabad round of the 9th edition of the Ultimate Bartender Championship at Zythum Brewing Co, bringing together some of the city’s bartending talent for a high-energy showcase of skill, speed and craft. The Ultimate Bartender Championship is the India leg of Monkey Shoulder’s global World Ultimate Bartender Championship.“The Hyderabad leg saw an on-ground participation of 100+ bartenders, who put their skills to the test across a series of challenges designed to assess the fundamentals that matter behind the bar. From pouring and nosing to industry knowledge, service and crafting the perfect serve, the competition focused on real-world bartending skills, precision and performance under pressure.“Hosted by Vidit Mantri, Brand Ambassador, Monkey Shoulder India, the Hyderabad round culminated with Kumar from Foxie and Sunder from Tambo emerging as the two city finalists.“The pair will now advance to the India finale in October, where they will compete alongside finalists from the other city rounds.“Speaking about the India edition, Vidit Mantri, Brand Ambassador, Monkey Shoulder India, said: “A busy bar asks you to make decisions constantly, and that ability to think clearly is just as important as knowing the right technique. The Hyderabad round puts that combination at the heart of the competition, moving bartenders between different challenges rather than judging them on a single drink. It is about recognising well-rounded professionals and giving them a platform to build on their skills as they move towards the India finale.”“Speaking about the World Ultimate Bartender Championship Global Final, Joe Petch, Monkey Shoulder Global Brand Ambassador, said: “What makes this championship compelling is the range it asks of a bartender. Knowledge, sensory ability and execution all have to work together; being strong in just one area is not enough. City rounds such as Hyderabad help create that pathway to the Global Final, where India’s representative will have the chance to demonstrate the breadth of their ability among peers from across the world.”



I&B ministry warns TV channels against misuse of AI in news

The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has directed private satellite TV channels to strictly follow the Programme Code and exercise caution in using artificial intelligence tools for news and programme production. The ministry warned that AI should be used only in an assistive role without affecting the accuracy, authenticity or sensitivity of content.

New Delhi: The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (I&B) on Wednesday advised private satellite television channels to strictly comply with the Programme Code and exercise caution while using artificial intelligence tools in news and programme production, warning that violations could attract regulatory action.

In an advisory, the ministry said several channels had violated provisions of the Programme Code prescribed under the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995, and the Cable Television Networks Rules, 1994. It cautioned that any breach of the code could invite action under the existing regulatory framework.

“The use of AI tools may be limited to assistive capacity without compromising the accuracy, authenticity or sensitivity of news content,” it said.

The ministry also raised concerns over the growing use of artificial intelligence technologies in broadcasting and asked channels to exercise due caution while deploying AI tools, including generative AI, for graphics, virtual news presentations and other programming.

According to the advisory, AI may be used only in an assistive capacity and should not compromise the accuracy, authenticity or sensitivity of news content. Broadcasters were reminded of their responsibility to maintain editorial standards and ensure that technology does not distort factual reporting.

The ministry said an inter-departmental committee had observed that telecasts on various channels were not in conformity with the spirit of the Programme Code. The committee noted instances where similar news reports and visuals on comparable topics were aired across multiple channels in a manner that raised concerns regarding compliance with broadcasting norms.

The committee recommended strict adherence to statutory provisions and stressed that inappropriate behaviour, objectionable language or undesirable conduct should not be normalised through television broadcasts.

The advisory also called upon channels to carefully select and sensitise panellists participating in debates and discussion programmes to prevent the dissemination of communal, inflammatory or anti-national content.

Broadcasters were asked to use safeguards such as muting, warnings, disclaimers or discontinuation of feeds whenever necessary to prevent derogatory, abusive or provocative remarks from being aired.



Indian scientists reveal hidden structure around a famous neutron star

Indian scientists at the Raman Research Institute have found that the bright X-ray pulsar Centaurus X-3 is accreting matter through an accretion disk, a rare phenomenon for such pulsars. The discovery was made through the study of secondary emission lines.

New Delhi: Indian scientists have discovered that one of the brightest X-ray pulsars, Centaurus X-3, is gobbling up material through an accretion disk — a rare behaviour for pulsars of its kind, an official statement said on Wednesday.

The finding was made by researchers at the Raman Research Institute (RRI), an autonomous institution of the Department of Science and Technology (DST), led by Kinjal Roy.

The study has implications in developing better-informed models of the system, which is one of the most widely studied binary pulsars that has drawn the attention of scientists because of its intense brightness.

Further, it will lead to enhanced understanding of binary pulsars in general.

An X-ray binary pulsar consists of a pulsar— a highly magnetised neutron star, and a Sun-like star bound in a gravitational dance. A neutron star is a celestial body with the mass of our sun crunched into a ball the size of Bangalore.

"In an X-ray binary, the pulsar's extreme gravity pulls in material ejected by its companion star, and the pulsar starts accreting material from it, shooting out X-rays in the process," the statement from the Ministry of Science & Technology said.

Centaurus X-3, a high-mass X-ray binary (HMXB) where the companion is more than 10 times the Sun's mass, was one of the first X-ray pulsars to be discovered, and the third X-ray source to be discovered in the constellation Centaurus, 24,000 light years away.

Pulsars emit radiation from their magnetic poles, known as the primary emission. As the pulsar spins, this radiation sweeps past any satellite waiting to detect it. This radiation also falls around the neutron star.

Structures in its wider environment absorb and re-emit this radiation, dubbed as the secondary radiation.

These structures help understand the system's physical parameters, such as its orientation and magnetic field strength, leading to enhanced understanding of binary pulsars, the statement noted.

Scientists from the Raman Research Institute (RRI) investigated four secondary emission lines in depth and found that the structure responsible for the varying lines must be co-rotating with the pulsar.

Detection revealed an accretion stream, which is a structure that channels material from the accretion disk towards the pulsar, that is causing the variability in the secondary emission lines. An accretion stream proved the existence of an accretion disk, the ministry said.

