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In a nutshell

CM to meet Collectors, CPs
HYDERABAD: Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy will hold a meeting with District Collectors, Police Commissioners and Superintendents of Police on July 16 at the Secretariat. The Chief Minister will review different aspects, including Praja Palana, Dharani, agriculture, seasonal diseases, Vana Mahotsavam, Mahila Shakthi, education, law and order and security-related issues and anti-drug campaign.

Kalamandalam serves non-veg
THRISSUR: For the first time in the history of the Kerala Kalamandalam, a premier public institution for the preservation and promotion of the traditional performing arts of the State, non-vegetarian dishes were served at its canteen to students on July 10, on popular demand. An official said chicken biryani, prepared at a kitchen run by inmates of Viyyur Jail, was served to the students on Wednesday.

NEET: CBI gets custody of 13
NEW DELHI: The Patna High Court granted the CBI the custody of 13 people arrested by the Bihar police in connection with NEET-UG case. The agency will now be able to question these accused in custody and also confront them with kingpin Rocky alias Rakesh Ranjan who was arrested on Thursday. It said the accused arrested by the state police had not even undergone 15 days of police custody.

'Mahayuti' wins all 9 MLC seats
MUMBAI: The ruling Mahayuti alliance of the BJP, Shiv Sena and NCP in Maharashtra on Friday won all the nine seats it contested in the biennial elections to 11 seats for the State Legislative Council. In the results announced in the evening for the polls conducted earlier in the day, the BJP won five seats, while Eknath Shinde-led Shiv Sena and the Ajit Pawar-led NCP bagged two each.

CHICKEN RATES IN HYDERABAD

Farm.....	Rs. 108
Retail live.....	Rs. 130
With skin.....	Rs. 189
Skinless.....	Rs. 215
Egg Rates (12 eggs).....	Rs. 70

Aasara recovery draws ire of beneficiaries

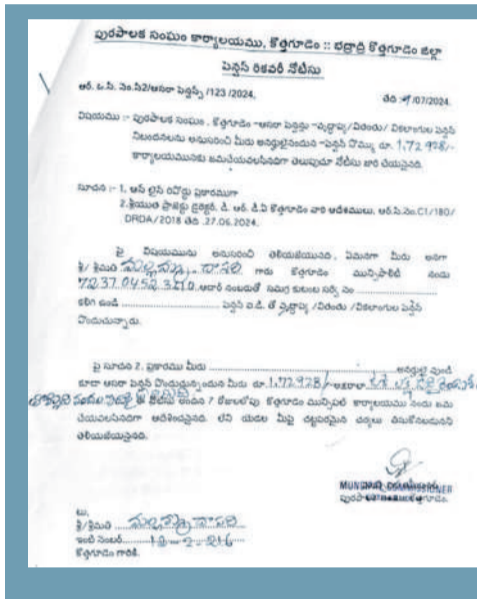
Officials issue notices to 200 pensioners in Khammam

STATE BUREAU
KOTHAGUDEM

The Congress government's decision to recover Aasara pensions from the kin of government employees, retired and deceased staff has been drawing criticism from beneficiaries.

In the district, after conducting a survey recently, recovery notices were issued to about 200 beneficiaries who received pensions during the previous BRS regime. The pension amount to be recovered ranged from Rs 1 to Rs 2 lakh, depending on the recovery period. Those who were served notices are now a worried lot over the recovery and how they could pay such a huge amount.

For instance, an 80-year-old widow, Dasari Mallamma of Babu Camp area in Kothagudem, was served notice by the municipal staff on July 9 asking her to deposit Rs 1.72 lakh within a week in the municipal office, with a warning that legal action would be initiated against her in case she failed to do so. The notice was



Mallamma, a beneficiary, who was served notice; officials say she was sanctioned dependent pension in 2017 after her daughter, who worked in Health Dept, passed away. Hence she was not eligible for Aasara pension

served following the orders, dated June 27, from the DRDA project director.

She was sanctioned old age pension after the Aasara pension scheme was introduced in 2014 by the then BRS government. According to the officials, Mallamma was sanctioned a dependent pension by the government in 2017 after her

daughter, who worked in the Health Department, passed away. Hence she is not eligible for Aasara pension. Speaking to 'Telangana Today', her son Dasari Venkateshwarlu, a private employee, lamented that his mother, who was suffering from paralysis, has become utterly distressed after receiving the notice.

In 2018, officials conducted an inquiry, and later there was no communication and now all of a sudden, they served a recovery notice. Aasara pension was sanctioned as per legal norms, and if my mother was not eligible, the officials should have stopped the pension soon after the inquiry, he noted. (SEE PAGE 2)

Kejriwal gets bail, but to remain in jail

NEW DELHI



Arvind Kejriwal

The Supreme Court on Friday granted interim bail to Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal in a money laundering case lodged by the ED in the alleged excise policy scam but he will remain in jail as the CBI had arrested him in a related matter.

A Bench of justices Sanjiv Khanna and Dipankar Datta referred to a larger Bench, preferably of five judges, for in-depth consideration of three questions on the aspect of "need and necessity of arrest" under the PMLA.

Kejriwal was also arrested by the CBI on June 26 in connection with the corruption case related to the alleged excise policy scam. The plea challenging his arrest by the CBI is pending before the Delhi High Court.

The matter relates to alleged corruption and money laundering in the formulation and execution of the excise policy, which has now been scrapped.

The court said since it is referring the matter to a larger Bench despite its findings on "reasons to believe" under section 19(1) of PMLA, which deals with ED's power to arrest, it deemed it necessary to grant interim bail to Kejriwal. "Given the fact that the right to life and liberty is sacrosanct, and Kejriwal has suffered incarceration of over 90 days, and that the questions referred to above require in-depth consideration by a larger Bench, we direct that Kejriwal may be released on bail ..., on the same terms as imposed vide the order dated May 10, 2024," it said. (SEE PAGE 2)

Indian techie drowns in US

WASHINGTON

A 26-year-old Indian IT professional working in California drowned in the famous Glacier National Park in the US State of Montana while on vacation with friends, according to park authorities. The victim was identified as Siddhant Vitthal Patil, the National Park Service said in a statement.

Patil, who was a technology professional, was hiking above the gorge on June 6 on Avalanche Lake Trail, where he fell off a large rock into Avalanche Creek. It is unclear if he slipped on a wet portion of the rock or lost his balance. Friends who were with him saw Patil go underwater and resurface before being swept up by the current into the gorge. (SEE PAGE 2)

HC asks NIMS to perform kidney transplant on siblings

LEGAL CORRESPONDENT
Hyderabad

Justice Bollaram Vijaysen Reddy of the Telangana High Court directed the NIMS Hospital, Hyderabad, to consider the case of petitioners for kidney transplant within seven days. The judge was dealing with a writ plea filed by a kidney donor and donee who approached NIMS hospital for kidney transplant.

The petitioners told the court that the donor was the biological brother of the donee, a 35-year-old woman. However, the names on their Aadhaar card did not reflect the same father's name. The petitioner's counsel, T Rahul, submitted that due to poverty, the woman was fostered by her

SPAIN FIESTA



Participants run ahead of bulls during the San Fermin festival in Pamplona, northern Spain, on Friday. — Photo: AFP

Cops open fire on robbers, one injured

CITY BUREAU
Hyderabad

Police opened fire in self-defence to deter two armed robbers who allegedly tried to attack them at Nampally railway station late on Thursday.

One of the alleged assailants suffered a bullet injury on the leg in the incident. The Central Zone decoy team, consisting of one Armed Reserve Police Constable and a Civil Police Constable, was conducting a decoy operation near the railway station when they noticed the duo moving under suspicious circumstances adjacent to the Ghouse-e-Pak Chilla. According to the police officials, a search found an axe concealed under the shirt of one of the assailants. (SEE PAGE 2)

16 suffer electric shock in pool

CITY BUREAU
Hyderabad

Sixteen people were injured after they suffered an electric shock while swimming in the pool at a farmhouse in Jalpally of Pahadishareef on Thursday.

The incident occurred when a group of 56 people from three different families from Aghapura in the Old City visited the farmhouse for an outing. In the evening, 16 guests entered the swimming pool to play water games. According to the police, within seconds of them entering the swimming pool, they were struck by electric shock. Among the injured were six women, five children, and three men. The condition of two persons, identified as Parvez (19) and

June 25 declared 'Samvidhaan Hatya Diwas'

NEW DELHI

June 25, the day when the Emergency was imposed on the nation by the Late Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's regime in 1975, will now be observed as the 'Samvidhaan Hatya Diwas', every year. Union Home Minister Amit Shah made the announcement on X and also shared the gazette notification.

"The Government of India has declared June 25th as Samvidhaan Hatya Diwas to pay tribute to all those who suffered and fought against the gross abuse of power during the period of Emergency and to recommit the people of India to not support in any manner such gross abuse of power, in future," read the govt notification.

Notably, it was on June 25, 1975, that the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi imposed a national emergency. IANS

According to police, the incident occurred seconds after they entered swimming pool, condition of two said to be critical

Mohd Imtiaz (22), was said to be critical as they suffered electric shock for about two minutes.

The cause
Preliminary investigation suspect the cause of the electrical current to be faulty wiring for the pool lights. It is suspected that a live electric wire became compromised within the pool, causing the electrocution. The case is being investigated.



Zeenat on Daku Hasina shoot

Veteran actor reveals getting pregnant early on while filming