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Over 200 injured in attack on military training



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### <mark>In a</mark> nutshell

#### 12-year-old girl dies of dengue

HANAMKONDA: A 12year-old girl died of dengue on Tuesday at a private hospital in Warangal city. According to reports, Thala Srinitya of Atmakuru village of the district was suffering from high fever for the last one week and was admitted to a private hospital, where she was diagnosed with dengue. On Tuesday, her condition deteriorated, and she succumbed while undergoing treat-

#### **Modi first Indian PM** to visit Brunei

Bandar Seri Begawan: Prime Minister Narendra Modi Tuesday said he was looking forward to strong ties with Brunei, especially in boosting commercial and cultural linkages, as he arrived here on the first leg of his two-nation trip during which he will hold talks with the country's top leadership. Modi, who is the first Indian Prime Minister to travel to Brunei on a bilateral visit, said he was looking forward to his meetings with Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah and other members of royal family. PTI

#### **Actor Nivin Pauly** booked for rape

**KOCHI:** Actor Nivin Pauly was on Tuesday booked for the offence of rape on a complaint by a 40year-old woman that he sexually assaulted her over a year ago in Dubai. police said. An officer of Oonnukal police station, where the FIR under section 376 of the IPC was registered, said that there are six accused, including a woman, in the case. According to the curred over a year ago in Dubai, the officer said, and declined to give further details. PTI

#### **Law Commission** constituted

**NEW DELHI:** The government constituted the 23rd Law Commission which has issues including a uniform civil code. According to a Law Ministry order, one of the terms of reference of the law panel is to "Examine existing laws in light of Directive Principles of State Policy and to suggest ways of improvement and reform and also to suggest such legislations as might be necessary to implement the Directive Principles." **NATION PAGE 7** 

#### **CHICKEN RATES IN HYDERABAD**

With skin	Rs. 121 Rs. 175
Skinless	Rs.200
Egg Rates (12 eggs)	Rs. 66

of hijackers added to IC814 series



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facility and nearby hospital

# **Congress workers attack BRS** leaders visiting flood-hit area

### Stones pelted at Harish's car during his visit to Khammam district

KHAMMAM

Tension prevailed here on Tuesday as a large group of Congress workers attacked the convoy of former Minister and BRS leader T Harish Rao. The incident occurred when Harish Rao, along with former Ministers P Sabitha Indra Reddy, G Jagadish Reddy, Puvvada Ajay Kumar, MP Vaddiraju Ravichandra, former MP Nama Nageswara Rao and others visited several residential areas to distribute essential commodities to flood-affected families.

Some of the Congress workers entered into heated arguments with BRS workers against the visit of BRS leaders to the Manchikanti Nagar area. The clash turned violent as Congress workers started attacking the BRS workers.

The Congress supporters also began pelting stones at the car in which Harish Rao and others were travelling. The windshield of the car was damaged while a BRS worker, Santhosh Reddy of Siddipet, suffered a fracture on his leg. Another elderly



BRS leader T Harish Rao's car being attacked during his visit to Khammam district on Tuesday

man suffered a head injury. Ajay Kumar's car was also damaged while his gunman was injured in the stone pelting. Nearly 15 persons took part in the attack, and only one Inspector from the Three-Town police station was on security duty, BRS leaders said. Speaking to the media later, Harish Rao condemned the attack and

sought to know whether Congress' Praja Palana meant attacking Opposition leaders. BRS leaders would not fear such foolish acts as they had a history of fighting against those who were mightier than Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy. Jagadish said the attack was planned and that the attackers targeted Harish Rao. Strict action should be taken against the attackers. Congress stooped down so low that its workers were attacking former Ministers and MLAs who wanted to help flood-hit families. Minister Tummala Nageswara Rao, the local MLA, should respond to the incident as the person who led the attack was his fol-

## Is it wrong to stand up for people? asks KTR

**HYDERABAD:** BRS working president KT Rama Rao condemned the attack by Congress workers on BRS leaders who were involved in flood relief activities in Khammam.

Expressing anger over the incident, he criticised the Congress for its growing intolerance towards those who were actively working to assist the people. "Unable to help the people, they have resorted to violence because they cannot bear to see those who are actually providing assistance," he stated. He questioned the Congress government's priorities and asked whether it was wrong to stand up for the people when the government ignored them.

"It is shameful to attack those who serve the people instead of serving them yourselves," he said, holding the Congress, including Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy, accountable for the

# 9 naxals killed in Bastar encounter

Nine naxalites, including six women, were killed in a fierce encounter with security forces in Chhattisgarh's Bastar region on Tuesday, a top police official said.

The gunfight broke out at around 10:30 am in forests along the border of Dantewada and Bijapur districts when a joint team of security forces was out on anti-naxal operation, Inspector General of Police, Bastar Range, Sundarraj P said.

Personnel belonging to the State police's District Reserve Guard (DRG), Bastar Fighters and 111th

and 230th battalions of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) were involved in the operation. The operation was

launched on Monday night based on inputs about the presence of cadres belonging to PLGA (People's Liberation Guerrilla Army) Company No. 2, west Bastar and Darbha division on the hills of inter-district border, he said. The exchange of fire between naxalites and security personnel took place multiple times in forests near Lohagaon, Purangel and Andri villages under the Kirandul Police Station area (Dantewada district). PTI

## 2 dead in Manipur drone bomb attack

Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh on Tuesday condemned the drone bomb attacks on civilians as acts of terrorism and vowed a firm response.

Taking to X, Singh expressed his outrage, stating, "Dropping bombs on civilian populations and security forces using drones is an act of terrorism, and I condemn such cowardly acts in the strongest terms.'

Singh's comments followed two separate drone bomb attacks in Koutruk and Senjam Chirang in Imphal West district, which resulted in the deaths of two persons, including a woman, and injuries to 12 others. "The Manipur State government takes such unprovoked assaults with utmost seriousness and will respond decisively to combat these forms of terrorism targeting the indigenous population,'

# KCR's phenomenal work continues to draw praise

STATE BUREAU

An interesting debate on the growth of Telangana ever since its formation is gathering steam on X, interestingly with neutral individuals from outside the State praising the Telangana model.

Two of these in fact, D Muthukrishnan, who identifies himself as a certified financial planner, and Aravind Varier, a teacher, have stated that former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao had done phenomenally well in leading the State on an extraordinary path of growth.

"I'm getting a lot of responses from people of Telangana highlighting var-

In a concerning develop-

ment, flood runoff entered

the audit tunnel in Package

8 of the Palamuru-Ran-

gareddy Lift Irrigation Project (PRLIS) late on Monday.

The Vattem Pumphouse, a

key component of the proj-

ect, was partially affected by

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the flooding.

The development of Telangana was only due to visionary policies of BRS government," says a user on X

ious achievements of KCR backed by data. I feel regional parties for states and alliances for centre may do good for states. I know there are exceptions to any rule. But in general, regional parties are better for states. Tamil Nadu experience proves it. Andhra did well and would do well under NCBN. KCR did excellently in Telangana. I don't know

PRLIS pumphouse submerged

Four pumping units that

were already installed with

a capacity of 145 MW each,

were submerged. The ex-

tent of the damage to these

units is still being assessed.

determine the status of ma-

chinery moved to the site

for the installation of a fifth

pumping unit. The dewater-

ing process is progressing,

with pumps and other

Efforts are underway to

how many even remember about Janata Party rule in Karnataka," Muthukrishnan posted, adding that from his cluded that Chandrashekhar Rao had done phenomenal development work for Telangana, both economic and social, for last one decade.

"I've no clue why people has been so unkind to him leading to his ignominious defeat. He deserved better for what he did to his state,' (sic) he posted. He also posted a 'Financial Times' clipping, which said the State had seen extraordinary progress under the BRS, "the regional party that led it to independence", climbing the ranks from 15th to third rich-

equipment deployed to re-

The incident has been at-

tributed to the neglect of the

ongoing project, impacting

the regular upkeep of key in-

stallations. Work on the

project came to a standstill

since Congress came to

power, with a noticeable re-

duction in the deployment

of watch and ward staff over

the last six months.

move the excess water.

# Godavari in spate, State stares at fresh flood threat

### Water levels rise due to continuous rain in catchment areas



People with their belongings sit outside their homes which were damaged due to floods, in Khammam district on Tuesday.

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The flood situation in the State might be far from over, with the Godavari River experiencing a significant rise in water levels due to continuous rains over the last ten days in its upper catch-ment areas and tributaries in Maharashtra.

discharges Increased from various projects in the river basin are contributing to the flood flow, with the river on a rising trend at most upstream points, including Nanded. The impact is expected to be felt in Telangana, adding to the woes of the already affected

The flood levels at Bhadrachalam are anticipated to reach critical warning points within the next 24 hours. This marks the sec-

### **Ordinance issued merging 51 GPs** in ORR vicinity with municipalities

Collectors was also constituted in the concerned districts of Rangareddy, Sangareddy and Medchal-Malkajgiri to examine and report on the spatial integration of the local bodies. A Cabinet subthe consultation, it was recommended to merge six more gram in their respective municipalities.

ond flood event in the river flowing over National Highwithin five weeks. In Muway 163 (between Hyderlugu district, Godavari is abad and Bhupalapatnam in Chhattisgarh) at Tekulagudem in Wajeedu mandal, leading to the suspension of all vehicle operations on this route.

The Sriram Sagar project is experiencing a steady increase in inflows from the upper reaches, with 41 of its 42 gates opened to manage the flood flow. The project reached its gross storage capacity of 80 TMC, with inflows standing at 2.3 lakh cusecs by Tuesday evening and expected to rise further.

The Sripada Yellampalli project is receiving over 4.78 lakh cusecs, with outflows of around 5.3 lakh cusecs. At Lakshmi Barrage, inflows are at 35.19 lakh cusecs, while Sammakka Sagar is seeing flood levels rise to 7.68 lakh cusecs due to contributions from the Pranahita and Indravati tributaries. (SEE PAGES 2, 3, 4, 5)

# Man neglects aged father, pays the price

STATE BUREAU

In what can be described as a path-breaking decision to teach a lesson to those who do not take care of their aged parents, authorities have cancelled the gift deed of land done by an elderly man in favour of his son after the latter began to neglect him.

This incident took place in Peddapalli district on Tuesday. District Collector K Sriharsha cancelled the

**Peddapalli Collector** cancels gift deed for 6.5 acres which the man gave his son, who was also told to pay Rs 10k a month

gift deed for 6.5 acres of agricultural land given by Gaddam Bapu Reddy in favour of his son Gaddam Swamy

Reddy. Reports said the Collector invoked the provisions

under the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007, to cancel the gift deed and also ordered Swamy Reddy and his sister, S Latha, to deposit Rs 10,000 a month in their father's bank account. The Collector was examining a petition submitted by Bapu Reddy alleging that his son was not taking care of him despite him handing over 6.5 acres through a gift deed.

found that Swamy Reddy The Collector had initially ordered an inquiry by the RDO, who had coun-

selled the son. However, he continued to neglect the welfare of the elderly man, who approached the Collector again. The district Collector took the application as an appeal and called for an inquiry again. After the inquiry, he

was neglecting the welfare of his father, and the Collector ordered the cancellation of the gift deed of the agricultural land and also ordered that the land be transferred to Bapu Reddy again.

# HYDERABAD: The State government issued an ordinance expand-

ing the urban area up to Outer Ring Road (ORR) and beyond by merging 51 Gram Panchayats with nearby municipalities. A study was done through Administrative Staff College of India, Hyderabad, to suggest a suitable administrative structure and

urban governance pattern. This apart, a Committee of District Officers headed by District committee was constituted under the chairmanship of Industries Minister D Sridhar Babu on August 1. The committee met with public representatives and other stakeholders on August 22. During panchayats. Accordingly, an ordinance was issued merging 51 GPs

Meanwhile, Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy said a system similar to HYDRAA would be established in all District Collectorates. Stating that all illegal structures should be demolished, the Chief Minister said, an inquiry would be ordered on river encroachments and a special drive would be initiated accordingly. The Collectors were instructed to compile a list on encroachments.