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Congress greedy for power, says KCR

Asks people to reject the party which lacked commitment to TS and its citizens



Huge crowd which gathered for the BRS Praja Ashirvada Sabha addressed by Chief Minister K Chandrashekhara Rao at Miryalaguda on Tuesday.

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 Continuing his attack on the Congress, its nexus with violence and the party's greed for power even as it was disintegrating from within, Bharat Rashtira Samithi president and Chief Minister K Chandrashekhara Rao on Tuesday said the Congress had always prioritised power over the welfare of the people and urged the public to reject the Congress as a lesson to leaders who lacked commitment to Telangana and its citizens. Addressing public rallies in Huzurnagar, Miryalaguda and Devarakonda con-

stituencies, Chandrashekhara Rao recounted events dating back to 1956 when seven individuals opposing the merger of Telangana with Andhra were killed in police confrontations. The people of Huzurnagar should remember the injustices suffered by Telangana during the Congress regime in erstwhile Andhra Pradesh, he said, also recalling the failure of Congress leaders to oppose the unfair distribution of river water during State bifurcation, which adversely affected Telangana's farmers. Responding to N Uttam Kumar Reddy's remarks, Chandrashekhara Rao said he

“ There are a dozen CM candidates in Congress. And almost everyone in Cong is seeking votes by claiming that if elected, he or she will become CM
 — K CHANDRASHEKHARA RAO, Chief Minister

had never claimed to have built Nagarjuna Sagar but had rather highlighted the Congress' failure to protect Telangana's interests with effective management of water resources. In contrast to the Congress, the BRS had fought for Telangana's rights against the Andhra

Pradesh government within the Assembly. "When the then Chief Minister Kiran Kumar Reddy threatened that he would not give a single paisa for Telangana, none of the great Congress leaders reacted. But when I demanded water for drought-hit crops of Huzur-

nagar, with a warning to trigger bund breaches to supply water to our crops, the then State government promptly released water the very next day," he said. Chandrashekhara Rao also took a jibe at the intense internal strife in the Congress, dubbing it as a party with numerous Chief Ministerial candidates in Telangana. They were more focused on personal ambitions than the welfare of the people, he said, urging voters to choose a party that fulfils its promises over Congress leaders who looked for personal gains and contracts rather than the region's interests. (SEE PAGES 2, 5)

Prabhakar Reddy's condition stable

Cops probe Raju's call record; Dubbak sees peaceful bandh

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Even as Medak MP and BRS Dubbak candidate Kotha Prabhakar Reddy, who is undergoing treatment after being stabbed during his campaign on Monday, was recuperating and reported to be stable, the Siddipet police are probing the connections of his assailant, Ghatani Raju.

Siddipet Police Commissioner N Swetha said a special team, led by Thoguta Inspector Kamalakar as the investigation officer, was constituted to carry out a detailed inquiry. The police, who were probing the motive behind the attack, were also examining the call data records of Raju to find out with whom he was in contact before the attack.

Raju, meanwhile, was shifted to the Gandhi Hospital in Secunderabad for further treatment.

On the other hand, Yashoda Hospital authorities said Prabhakar Reddy would continue in critical care for the next 24 to 48 hours. According to a medical bulletin issued by the hospital, Reddy was moved to the Surgical Critical Care Unit where he is being monitored by a multidisciplinary team comprising Surgical Gastroenterologists, Intensivists and others. "He is on broad-spectrum antibiotics, IV fluids, pain medications and other supportive measures. The patient is conscious, verbalising and recuperating from the major surgery. He still needs to be in the critical care unit for the next 24-48 hours after which he will be shifted to a room," the bulletin said. "The patient will also be on nil-by-mouth as per the surgical team's advice except for sips of water till tomorrow when reassessment will be done and gradual introduction of liquid to oral diet will be made. He is hemodynamically stable with normal labs and no fever as of date, without any significant pain, other than at the surgical site," it added. (SEE PAGE 2)

Congress and its bond with violent politics

HYDERABAD: The Congress has a notorious history of inciting violence, including communal riots, in the State. In short, history proves that Congress can stoop to any low to influence voters and usurp power with incidents from the past reflecting the party's brand of dirty politics. For those who doubt this, take a flashback to 1990. The 1990 riots, considered the worst communal riots in Hyderabad's history, broke out in September 1990 and continued in 1991 as well. People were killed, establishments were ransacked and law and order was out of control. (REPORT PAGE 5)

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Rahul claims all promises met in Karnataka

STATE BUREAU
 Hyderabad

It is known that the Indian National Congress is synonymous with internal discord, but Rahul Gandhi's claims on Tuesday just proved how deep the internal dissonance was, even while uttering lies. Rahul Gandhi, while addressing a public meeting at Kollapur, claimed that the Congress was known for keeping its promises and that his party's government in Karnataka had kept all its promises right in the first Cabinet meeting. However, what he forgot to mention was the promise of an adequate power supply to farmers in the Congress manifesto. Apart from several farmers from Karnataka who have been going around in Telangana warning farmers here that the Congress had betrayed them by not ensuring even two hours of quality power supply, Chief Minister K Siddaramaiah and his Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar too had openly said that their government was supplying

only five hours of power to farmers in Karnataka. How the Congress MP contradicted the statements of his own partymen has baffled people here, who also asked why farmers were protesting across Karnataka if the Congress government had indeed kept its promises to all sections of the people. Apart from a severe shortage of power, which Karnataka Ministers themselves have admitted, farmers were also facing an acute shortage of water for irrigation, a fact that Gandhi chose to keep quiet about. The issue of power supply to farmers, in fact, is turning out to be a major embarrassment to the Congress, with its TPCC president A Revanth Reddy's statement that three hours of power was more than enough for farmers in Telangana. The statements of other Congress leaders, including Uttam Kumar calling Rythu Bandhu a 'waste expenditure' too is being called out by many, pointing out the anti-farmer stance of the Congress. (SEE PAGE 2)



ON THE CONTRARY, K'TAKA MINISTERS ADMITTED THAT FARMERS ARE FACING POWER SHORTAGE, WATER ISSUES IN THE STATE

RTC bus stolen from Mehdiapatnam

CITY BUREAU
 Hyderabad

Unidentified persons stole a bus parked in front of Mehdiapatnam bus depot in the city on Monday night. According to the police, the driver of the bus, which is on hire on a contract basis with TSRTC, parked the vehicle in front of the depot at around 10.30 pm on Monday. In the morning, the driver found the bus missing. After making enquiries at the depot and checking the surrounding areas, the driver approached the Asifnagar police. The police registered a case and checked the surveillance cameras installed around Mehdiapatnam. The bus was later found at Tundapally in Shamshabad by the police. "Some persons drove away the bus and left it at Tundapally. We are trying to track down the offenders," said Asifnagar Inspector Venkateshwarlu.

NGT warns Centre over Yadadri Power Project

STATE BUREAU
 Hyderabad

The Southern Zone Bench of the National Green Tribunal (NGT) directed the Union Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF) to issue additional Terms of Reference (ToR) within one month to the 5x800 megawatt Yadadri Thermal Power Station (YTPS) being constructed in Nalgonda district by the Telangana State Power Generation Corporation Limited (TSGenco). According to officials, an executive petition was filed by TSGenco against the MoEF for not complying with the directions of the NGT (South Zone) even after Genco adhered to all the directions issued by the tribunal. TSGenco had approached NGT to issue permission for commissioning the project since the MoEF was deliberately delaying

Asks MoEF to issue additional Terms of Reference within one month to the 5x800 MW project

the issuance of additional ToR even after compliance of conditions laid down by the NGT. The MoEF was also ignoring recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee, TSGenco pointed out, following which the NGT disposed of the petition directing the MoEF to issue the additional ToR within one month. The NGT was critical about the deliberate delay caused by the MoEF and its officials and cautioned of severe punishment for the inaction of the MoEF and its officials. Additional Advo-

cate General J Ramachander Rao, senior advocates Y Rama Rao and Y Sankalp, who appeared on behalf of TSGenco stated that the delay by the MoEF in clearing the project, despite instructions by NGT, had put TSGenco to a huge loss by way of interest during project execution and purchasing power at high costs to supply power predominantly to the farming sector. The Southern Zone Bench of NGT suspended the Environmental Clearance on September 30 last year, following complaints lodged by two NGOs, Conservation Action Trust (Mumbai) and Samatha (Visakhapatnam), alleging that the project was being constructed in violation of regulations. However, the tribunal allowed the Genco to continue its construction but barred it from undertaking a trial run. (SEE PAGE 2)

Apple's 'state-sponsored attack' warning triggers political war

NEW DELHI: Several opposition leaders on Tuesday claimed they received an alert from Apple warning them of "state-sponsored attackers trying to remotely compromise" their iPhones and alleged hacking by the government, a charge IT Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw rejected but assured a thorough probe. Those who received such notifications included Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge, party leaders Shashi Tharoor, KC Venugopal, TS Singhdeo and Bhupinder S Hooda; TMC MP Mahua Moitra, CPI(M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury and SP chief Akhilesh Yadav. Shiv Sena (UBT) MP Priyanka Chaturvedi, AAP's Raghav Chadha, AIMIM chief Asaduddin Owaisi and some aides of Rahul Gandhi also received the notification. (SEE PAGE 2)

Aadhaar data of 81 crore Indians for sale on dark web

HYDERABAD: In what could possibly be the biggest data leak in the history of India, the Aadhaar data of 81.5 crore Indians has been leaked on the dark web, an American cybersecurity and intelligence agency, Resecurity noticed. According to a report, the data was allegedly sourced by a hacker going by the name 'pwn001'. The stolen data also includes passport details, names, phone numbers, and temporary and permanent address details of millions of Indians. Resecurity also claims that the hacker has shown some spreadsheets with pieces of Aadhaar data as proof to claim the legitimacy of the stolen data. (SEE PAGE 2)

Naidu walks out of jail

RAJAMAHENDRAVARAM

TDP supremo N Chandrababu Naidu walked out of the Rajamahendravaram central prison on Tuesday and thanked all his supporters. Naidu, who spent 53 days in jail, walked out at 4.20 pm hours after the Andhra Pradesh HC granted him a temporary bail in the Skill Development Corporation scam case. Earlier in the day, the HC granted interim bail for a period of four weeks. (REPORT PAGE 7)

Maratha quota: Maha Cabinet for survey

MUMBAI

The Maharashtra Cabinet on Tuesday made a recommendation to the State Backward Commission to undertake a survey and collect data to make the curative petition filed in the Supreme Court "error-free", so that reservation can be granted to the Maratha community in the State, a Minister said. "The Cabinet made a recommendation to the State Backward Commission to undertake necessary surveys and data collection to make government's curative petition in the Supreme Court error-free," said Chandrakant Patil, head of the State government's subcommittee on reservation. (RELATED REPORTS PAGE 8)