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# 'Modi only about slogans, rhetoric'

KCR says BJP-led government neglected the welfare of people

STATE BUREAU HYDERABAD

BRS president and former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao launched a scathing attack on the Narendra Modi-led government, stating that it had failed to deliver on its promises and had neglected the welfare of the people. Despite being in power for a decade, Modi was confined to mere sloganeering and spreading communal hatred without any tangible accomplishments to take credit for,

Addressing a roadshow in Nizamabad on Monday, he pointed out that the people had elected a BJP MP there in 2019. But there was no benefit for the people, he said, pointing out that Modi was resorting to only empty slogans and rhetoric, with none of the promises made by the Prime Minister materialising over the last ten years. Modi raised slogans like 'Sab ka Saath, Sab ka Vikaas' and 'Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao,' but they failed to address the real issues faced by the people.

Citing the latest reports, Chandrashekhar Rao said the BJP would not get more than 210 seats in the ongoing Lok Sabha elections and that the slogan of '400 par' was only to bluff people. The Congress too would not get a clear majority. "The next government at the Centre will be formed by regional parties and the BRS can play a key role in national politics if we get 14-15 MP seats in

the State," he said. "Modi promised 'Ache Din', but gave us 'Chache Din' (deadly days) by increasing fuel prices and taxation through GST," he said, also pointing out that since he was speaking against Modi, the BJP got his daughter and MLC K Kavitha ar-



ne vowea.

The BRS supremo also lashed out at Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy for calling Modi his 'Bade Bhai' and wanting to replicate the Gujarat model in Telangana. 'By Gujarat model, did he mean the Godhra riots where people were burnt alive? The Gujarat model is all sound and no substance,"

government had halted the disbursement of the farm input assistance and got permission from the ECI to resume it from Monday only after he stepped out and exposed the government's inefficiency.

"Only because KCR embarked on a bus tour, despite a fractured leg, and raised

rested in a fabricated case. he added. On the State gov- his voice against the Con-"But I will not give up and will continue to fight against Bandhu disbursals, Chan-Bandhu is being released son, we need the BRS in Parliament as well," he asserted. Dubbing the BJP a "dangerous" party, Chandrashekhar Rao said the people were aware of the ineptitude of the Nizamabad MP as well and were determined to defeat him under any circumstances.

# Promise and forget, the Congress way

Party yet to fulfil all assurances made to people

STATE BUREAU

Congress MP Rahul Gandhi's claim on Sunday that the State government was depositing Rs 2,500 into the bank accounts of women in the State and that the Congress had implemented all of its Six Guarantees have turned the focus on the authenticity of his claims, and in turn, the very credibility of

the Congress party.
For the record, the Congress released its manifesto for Telangana ahead of the Assembly elections on November 17 last year. Apart from five declarations, including the Warangal Rythu Declaration, Hyderabad Youth Declaration, Chevella SC, ST Declaration, Minority Declaration, and Kamareddy BC Declaration, the manifesto also included the Six Guarantitled Hastham'. The Six Guarantees also had 12 sub-category assurances.

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## **SIX GUARANTEES AND CURRENT STATUS**

#### MAHALAKSHMI

• Rs 2,500 monthly financial assistance to women - NO o LPG cylinders at Rs 500 - YES, PARTIALLY

• Free travel for women in TSRTC buses - YES **RYTHU BHAROSA** 

Rs 15,000 per acre to farmers and

• Rs 12,000 to agricultural labourers - NO • Rs 500 bonus per quintal of paddy - NO

#### **GRUHA JYOTHI** o 200 units of free electricity - YES, PARTIALLY

#### INDIRAMMA INDLU

 Homeless to be provided house sites - LAUNCHED, BUT YET TO TAKE OFF

• Rs 5 lakh assistance to students under Vidva Bharosa Card - NC

**YUVA VIKASAM** 

○ Telangana International Schools in every mandal – NC CHEYUTHA • Rs 4,000 monthly pension to senior citizens, widows, disabled

beedi workers, single women etc - NO O Rajiv Aarogyasri - Health insurance of Rs 10 lakh - YES

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Five medicos

drown in

Rs 4,000

# Delhi LG for NIA probe against Kejri

NEW DELHI

Delhi Lt Governor VK Saxena recommended an NIA probe against Chief Minister Arvind

Regriwal for allegedly receiving political funding from the banned terrorist organisation 'Sikhs for Justice', Raj Niwas sources said on Monday.

AAP alleged that the recommendation is "yet another conspiracy" against Kejriwal at the behest of the BJP. In a letter to the Union Home secretary, the Lt

Governor's secretariat said Saxena had received a complaint that the Kejriwal-led AAP allegedly received \$16 million funding

Khalistani groups for facilitating the release of Devendra Pal Bhullar.

Bhullar, who is in Amritsar Central Jail, was convicted in connection with the killing of nine people in a bomb blast in 1993 in Delhi. He was sentenced to death by a TADA court in

Five house surgeons of a private medical college in Tiruchi drowned near Lemur Beach in Kannivakumari due to a swell surge in the sea on Monday.

Kanniyakumari

12 house surgeons from the college had gone to Nagercoil to attend a wedding. After attending the wedding, they went to Lemur Beach. While seven of them were standing near the shoreline, the others were sitting a little distance away from the sea, which was rough.

# NEET paper leak baseless, says NTA

**NEW DELHI** 

The reports claiming question paper leak in the medical entrance exam NEET-"completely UG are baseless and without any ground", the National Test-ing Agency (NTA) clarified on Monday.

Stressing that every question paper has been "accounted for", the NTA said that purported images of the question paper circulating on social media have no relation with the actual paper. "It has been ascertained from NTA's security protocols and Standard Operating Procedures that the

social media posts pointing towards any paper leak are completely baseless and without any ground. To put rumours to rest, it is also stated that every single question paper has been accounted for," said Sadhana Parashar, Senior Director, NTA. Parashar said that no external person or agency can access the centres once

the examination starts. "All other photographs of question papers circulating in social media have no relation to the actual examination question paper which has been adminis-Parashar further

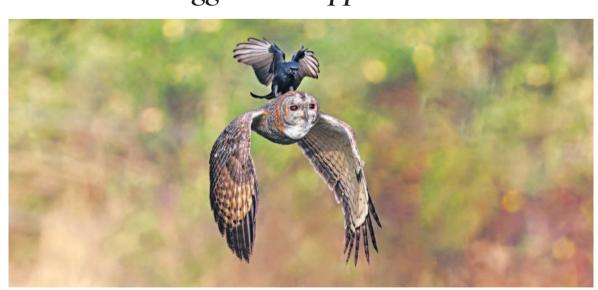
#### Five dead as tractor turns turtle in MP

JABALPUR

Four children and a driver were killed while two other children sustained injuries after a tractor overturned in Madhya Pradesh's Jabalpur district on Monday,

an official said. The deceased were identified as Lucky Markam (10), Anup Barkade (12), Rajveer Gond (13), Devendra Barkade (15) and the driver, Dharmendra Thakur (18). According to police, the tractor overturned due to overspeeding. Jabalpur district administration announced financial aid of Rs 50,000 to the family of the deceased. ANI

# Aggressive Approach



TOP SHOT: A Mottled Wood owl being harassed by a Black Drongo while in flight. Black Drongos are known for their aggressive nature and don't hesitate to take on birds many times their size. The picture, clicked by Hyd photographer, Hari K Patibanda, has been featured among 100 best in an international contest. (REPORT PAGE 5)

# 'Sir Alec' steam locomotive takes people back in time



The steam locomotive engine. — Photo: Anand Dharmana

C ROMEO

n the heart of Secunderabad, amidst the bustling traffic and numerous historical landmarks, there stands a relic from a bygone era — the 'Sir Alec' steam locomotive, gracing the frontage of the Rail Nilayam, the headquarters of South Central Railway.

Built in 1907 by Kitson & Co., Leeds, Sir Alec once served as a prized possession of the Barsi Light Railway Narrow Guage system. Today, for visitors of Rail Nilayam, it is a captivating sight.

All thanks to the efforts at restoration with a gleaming PU (polyurethane) paint job and vibrant lighting, these days, the steam locomotive

exudes a sense of grandeur. The true magic, however, unfolds in the evenings. With the touch of a button, artificial steam billows and the smoke effects from Sir Alec create an air of authenticity. The entire staged simulation is aimed at showcasing a running steam locomotive for the

## State braces for intense thunderstorms, hailstorms

CITY BUREAU

After enduring scorching temperatures, Telangana is set to experience a break from the heatwave as the IMD forecasts rainfall in the region. A cyclonic circulation over Marathwada and a trough/wind discontinuity

extending from east Vidarbha to south Tamil Nadu in lower tropospheric levels will influence the weather pattern. Telangana is likely to witness isolated to scattered light to moderate rainfall accompanied by thunderstorms, lightning, and gusty winds in the next