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In a nutshell

Hyd no more common capital

HYDERABAD: Hyderabad, one of the bustling metropolitan cities, ceased to be common capital of Telangana and AP from Sunday as per the AP Reorganisation Act, 2014. Beginning June 2, Hyderabad will be the capital city of Telangana only. Hyderabad was made the capital city of the two States for 10 years when the bifurcation of undivided Andhra Pradesh was carried out in 2014.

Heatwave: 33 poll staff die in UP

LUCKNOW: Thirty-three poll personnel succumbed to heat-related conditions during the seventh phase of the Lok Sabha election held in 13 constituencies in the state on Saturday, according to Uttar Pradesh CEO Navdeep Rinwa. The number included home guards, sanitation workers and other poll staff. A voter also died at a booth in the Sikandarpur area of Ballia Lok Sabha constituency, he

Count postal ballots first: Cong

NEW DELHI: Leaders from the I.N.D.I.A opposition bloc urged the EC on Sunday to ensure that on June 4, the postal ballots are counted and their results declared before the outcome of the EVMs is announced, and stressed that the poll panel should issue clear guidelines on the counting process and ensure that those are implemented. A delegation of leaders from the bloc met the full bench of the EC on Sunday, PTI

NHAI hikes toll charges by 5%

NEW DELHI: Motorists using expressways will have to shell out more from Monday as the NHAI has decided to hike tolls across the country by an average of 5 per cent. The annual revision of highway user fee, which is expected to be in the range of average 5 per cent, was earlier to come into effect on April 1. But the hike was deferred due to the Lok Sabha elections. PTI

CHICKEN RATES IN HYDERABAD

Farm Retail live With skin Skinless	Rs. 242 Rs. 276
Egg Rates (12 eggs)	Rs. 67

Janhvi on South debut

Says working in the industry makes her feel closer to her mother

Future belongs to BRS, says KCR

Reaffirms party's commitment to Telangana and its people

HYDERABAD

BRS president and former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao reaffirmed the BRS' commitment to Telangana and its people despite recent electoral set-backs, stating that the political outcomes would not deter the party's mission. He asserted that the future belongs to the BRS, which would soon launch a new agitation with new strategies and goals for Telan-

"Elections come and go, but our duty is to work for the people, notwithstanding the results. If you have not noticed, I have stopped using my walking stick and am strong enough to take up another agitation to protect the interests of the people of Telangana," he said while participating in the decennial celebrations of Telangana State formation at Telangana Bhavan on Sunday. He extended wishes to all the citizens on the occasion of Telangana State Formation Day.
The BRS chief likened

BRS to a massive tree and an ocean, which is resilient and far-reaching. Acknowledging the natural disappointment following electoral losses, he reminded that his recent bus yatra witnessed the same passionate support from the people that he received during the statehood movement which always fueled the party. He stated that the BRS is a 25-year-old organisation, which is ready to take up another fight for

'Will make comeback'

Dismissing any notions of the party vanishing from Telangana politics, Chandrashekhar Rao stated that if elections are held now, the



BRS president and former Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao paying floral tributes to Telangana Thalli, at Telangana Bhavan in Hyderabad on Sunday

KTR CALLS REVANTH 'JACKPOT CM'

HYDERABAD: BRS working president KT Rama Rao slammed Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy for the latter's remarks comparing the BRS' Telangana Formation Day celebrations to Pakistan celebrating its Independence Day, a day before India. He dubbed Revanth Reddy as a fool who lacked a basic understanding of the Telangana movement and the aspirations of the people

BRS would win 105 Assembly seats. He stressed that the BRS is poised for a comeback and the Congress government's days are numbered. "We lost by only 1.08 per cent votes. Politics is ever-changing, and it's not about being in power but about serving the people,'

asserted. Chandrashekhar Rao congratulated BRS candidate Naveen Kumar Reddy on winning the Mahabubnagar MLC bypoll and exuded confidence that the party candidate Rakesh Reddy will win the Nalgonda-Khammam-Warangal Graduates Conreminded that while Chief Minister Revanth Reddy vowed to win the Mahabubnagar bypoll with 200 votes majority, the BRS secured the seat with over 100 votes.

SKM sweeps Sikkim, wins 31 out of 32 seats

Bags 58.38% of votes; Lotus fails to bloom

GANGTOK

The Sikkim Krantikari Morcha (SKM) on Sunday returned to power in the Himalayan State for the second consecutive term by a landslide victory, winning 31 seats in the 32-member Assembly. The opposition Sikkim Democratic Front (SDF), which ruled the State for 25 years in a row till 2019, could manage only one seat, though its president Pawan Kumar Chamling lost in the two constituencies he contested.

SKM president and Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang, however, won from two seats, and the party bagged 58.38 per cent of the votes polled. The SKM had won 17 seats in the 2019 Assembly polls. Elections to the Assembly were held simultaneously with the first phase of the Lok Sabha polls on April 19.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi hailed Tamang and the SKM for the victory. "Congratulations to SKM



SKM supporters celebrate after party's victory in the Sikkim Assembly elections, in Gangtok, on Sunday. — Photo: PTI

and CM@PSTamangGolay for their victory in the Sikkim Assembly Elections 2024. I look forward to working with the State Government to further the progress of Sikkim in the coming times," Modi said in a post on X.

Responding to the Prime Minister's post, Tamang thanked him. "We are committed to continuing our efforts towards the develop-

ment and prosperity of Sikkim. We look forward to collaborating with you to achieve our shared goals for the betterment of our State. Your unwavering support has been a driving force for us, and we look forward to your continued guidance and blessings," Tamang said in an X. The saffron party contested in 31 seats but failed to win any of them. PTI

Hat-trick for BJP in Arunachal

ITANAGAR

The BJP on Sunday returned to power in Arunachal Pradesh for the third time in a row, winning 46 seats in the 60-member Assembly, and bagging four more seats compared to its 2019 tally.

In sweeping the Assembly elections, the counting of which was held during the day, the BJP decimated the opposition parties, especially the Congress was relegated to the fifth position with only one seat after NPP (5), NCP (3) and PPA (2). Three seats went to Independent candidates. Minister Pema Khandu asserted that the

Wins 46 seats in the 60-member **Assembly: Congress** relegated to fifth position with only one seat

momentum of what happened in the 'Land of the rising sun', a sobriquet for Pradesh, spread to other parts of the country on June 4 when votes for the Lok Sabha elections will be counted.

"This is a historic occasion for the BJP and entire Arunachal Pradesh. The

people of Arunachal Pradesh have declared that they want BJP to stay in power for the next five years. In the 2019 Assembly polls, BJP won 41 seats. while we have won 46 seats this time," Khandu said.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi congratulated the people of Arunachal Pradesh. "The people of this wonderful state have given an unequivocal mandate to politics of development. My gratitude to them for repostheir faith @BJP4Arunachalyet again. Our Party will keep working with even greater vigour for the State's growth," Modi said in a post on X. PTI

Kejriwal prays, returns to Tihar

NEW DELHI

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Sunday surrendered at the Tihar jail here after his interim bail granted by the Supreme Court in the excise policylinked money laundering case ended on June 1. He was granted the relief for campaigning in the Lok Sabha elections.

Before surrendering, Keriwal paid homage to Mahatma Gandhi at the Raj Ghat, offered prayers at the

Hanuman temple in Connaught Place and addressed AAP leaders and workers at the party office.

During his address, he said, "I am going back to jail not because I was involved in corruption but because I raised voice against dictatorship," he said. "I was given a 21-day (relief) by the SC. I did not waste even a minute. I campaigned for saving the country. AAP is not important, it is secondary. The country comes first," he said. PTI

BRS wins MLC bypoll

STATE BUREAU

Even as the decennial celebrations of Telangana State formation are underway, BRS secured the Mahabubnagar Local Bodies constituency bypoll here on Sunday.

BRS candidate Naveen Kumar Reddy secured 763 votes and won with a majority of 108 against his Congress rival Manne Jeevan Reddy. The BRS win in Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy's home district comes as a major blow for the ruling Congress ahead



Naveen Kumar Reddy

of the Lok Sabha poll counting on Tuesday.

The bypoll was necessitated with the resignation of the incumbent BRS MLC Kasireddy Narayana Reddy

who shifted his loyalties to the Congress and won the Kalwakurthy Assembly segment in the 2023 Assembly elections. The counting of votes commenced at 8 am at the Mahbubnagar government boys junior college. Against 1,439 voters, around 1,437 elected representatives cast their votes in the polling held on March 28 this year. However, the counting was delayed due to the Lok Sabha polls.

BRS working president

KT Rama Rao congratulated BRS candidate Naveen Kumar Reddy on his vic-

Martyrs kin 'upset

for being ignored'

Family members of the Telangana martyrs at the Parade Grounds in Secunderabad on Sunday

STATE BUREAU

Holding the portraits of the deceased persons, family members of the Telangana martyrs expressed their anger and disappointment at Telangana Formation Day celebrations as Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy did not assure to address

their issues. "But for paying formal tributes, the Chief Minister did not speak to us. We woke up at 4 am to reach Parade Grounds in the hope that our issues will be solved," said Durga Bhavani, mother of Boya Sridhar Madiga, who died by suicide

Satyamma from Khila Ghanpur of Wanaparthy had also died by suicide for

Telangana's cause on January 20, 2010. Her son Nagaraju came to the venue to meet the Chief Minister and submit a representation.

"I fail to understand the purpose of inviting us to the Formation Day celebrations. If the election code is in force, they could have organised a special meeting to discuss our issues," fumed Nagaraju. Many family members of the martyrs demanded the Congress government issue identity cards, allot 250 square yards plots and Rs 25,000 monthly pension as promised in the manifesto. "The Congress had made all these promises and they should be implemented at the earliest," said Parvathamma, mother of Chelamalla Shivaram Goud from Nalgonda. (SEE PAGE 2)

Look up for 'parade of planets' today!

CITY BUREAU

Skygazers in the city are eagerly anticipating the muchhyped 'parade of planets' on June 3. However, planetary experts caution that viewing the complete alignment may be challenging due to the rising Sun and the moon's

presence. The celestial event involves six planets — Jupiter, Mercury, Uranus, Mars, Neptune, and Saturn — appearing to align in the sky near dawn.

However, only three of these — Mars, Saturn, and Jupiter — will be visible to the naked eye. "You'll be



Celestial event, featuring Jupiter, Mercury, Uranus, Mars, Neptune, and Saturn, promises a visual treat for skygazers.

able to see Mars, Saturn, and Jupiter. If you have binoculars and know where to look, you might spot Uranus,' Raghunandan

Kumar, Director of the Planetary Society, India. "The Sun will be illuminating the sky in that area. It's just before sunrise, but it will still

be very bright, and you probably don't want to point binoculars near the Sun," Kumar explained. Kumar recommends Monday, about an hour before sunrise, as the best time to see the show in Hyderabad.

"Both Saturn and Mars will be visible above the horizon in the eastern sky, appearing like non-twinkling star-like objects. For those eager to see Jupiter, it's best to observe it under expert supervision at a planetarium or with amateur astronomers' telescopes," he said. For those hoping to see Uranus and Neptune, a telescope would be useful.

4 killed in mishap on Hyd-B'luru highway

STATE BUREAU

Four persons died and three injured critically when the SUV in which they were travelling collided with a truck on the Hyderabad-Bengaluru National Highway near Erravelly crossroads in Jogulamba Gadwal district in the small hours of Sunday.

The injured were rushed to the General Hospital in Kurnool where their condition was stated to be critical. All the victims were from one family and natives of Kurnool. (SEE PAGE 2)

on September 26, 2012.