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**In a nutshell**

**7 Odisha students expelled over beef**

**BERHAMPUR:** Seven students of a state-run engineering college in Odisha's Berhampur district were expelled from their hostel for allegedly cooking beef, a "restricted" activity on the premises, an official said on Monday. Parala Maharaja Engineering College authorities issued an order on Thursday, stating that the seven boarders of two hostels were expelled for being involved in "restrictive activities". **PTI**

**Tight vigil in place for J&K elections**

**SRINAGAR:** Multi-tier security arrangements have been put in place to ensure free and fair Assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir. "As the first phase of voting will take place on September 18, J&K police have made elaborate security arrangements for polls so that maximum number of people can exercise their right to vote," Inspector General of Police Kashmir Zone VK Birdi said.

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**Girls drown in bid to save brother**

**DEHRADUN:** Two minor girls swept away in the strong current of the Ganga river while trying to save their younger brother from drowning in Haripur Kalan. According to officials, nine-year-old Suraj started drifting in strong current following which his two sisters - Sakshi (15) and Vaishnavi (13) - jumped into water to save him. The sisters saved Suraj by pushing him towards the bank but were themselves swept away. **PTI**

**Manipur: Curbs on internet lifted**

**IMPHAL:** The Manipur government on Monday lifted the temporary suspension on internet services in the five valley districts with immediate effect. Commissioner (Home) N Ashok Kumar said the government reviewed the prevailing situation and decided to lift the internet suspension, which was imposed as a preventive measure.

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**CHICKEN RATES IN HYDERABAD**

Farm.....	Rs. 100
Retail live.....	Rs. 122
With skin.....	Rs. 177
Skinless.....	Rs. 201
Egg Rates (12 eggs).....	Rs. 72

## Cong Delhi bosses ditch Rajiv statue unveiling

**BRS slams gov't's move to install statue near Secretariat, to perform palabhishekam to Telangana Thalli statues**

**STATE BUREAU**  
 HYDERABAD

Even as his party's top bosses, including Sonia Gandhi, Mallikarjun Kharge and Rahul Gandhi chose to stay away from the unveiling of former Prime Minister late Rajiv Gandhi's statue here on Monday, Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy went ahead and himself unveiled the statue in front of the Secretariat.

The move, which triggered different speculations within the Congress State unit itself, came after the Delhi bosses of the Congress stood away despite Revanth Reddy and IT Minister D Sridhar Babu personally meeting Kharge in New Delhi and inviting him to the function on August 16. The function was actually scheduled for August 20, coinciding with the former Prime Minister's birth anniversary.

However, that was postponed for nearly a month, and when it finally happened, except for AICC Telangana in-charge Deepad Munshi, not many national leaders turned up for the programme. Interestingly, AICC secretary Viswanath and others, representing the high command, participated in the swearing-in ceremony of Mahesh Kumar Goud as the new TPCC president at Gandhi Bhavan on Sunday. Even as Congress workers are discussing why Delhi cold-shouldered Revanth Reddy, on the other hand, the BRS has come out vociferously against the installation of Rajiv Gandhi's statue in front of the Secretariat.

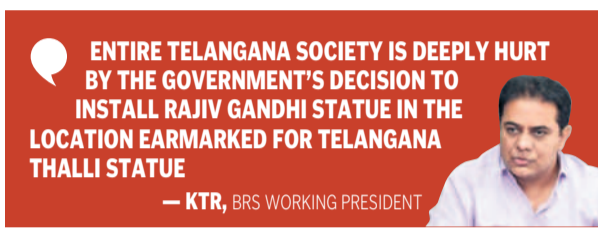
## KCR plans BRS strategy meet

**STATE BUREAU**  
 Hyderabad

In a move to chalk out the future course of action for the BRS and reinvigorate the party, Leader of Opposition and BRS president K Chandrashekhara Rao is set to hold a high-level meeting with senior leaders.

The meeting will discuss the growing concerns in Telangana, particularly regarding farmer-related issues and the Congress government's failure to address key promises.

The meeting, expected to be attended by MLAs, MLCs, MPs, district-level party heads, and other key leaders, is expected to be held at Telangana Bhavan over the next couple of weeks. Chandrashekhara Rao is learnt to have already indicated his plans to some senior leaders who



Opposing the Congress government's decision to unveil the former Prime Minister's statue in the place reserved for the statue of Telangana Thalli, the BRS has decided to organise Statewide protests on Tuesday, with BRS working president KT Rama Rao announcing that party cadre would perform 'palabhishekam' to statues of Telangana Thalli in all Assembly constituencies across the State. In a state-

ment on Monday, Rama Rao expressed strong discontent over the Congress government's decision, calling the move a "shameful act", insulting the identity and spirit of Telangana. He stated that the entire Telangana society was deeply concerned and hurt by the Congress government's decision to place Rajiv Gandhi's statue in the location earmarked for Telangana Thalli's statue.

"While we have no objection to the Congress honouring Rajiv Gandhi, doing so at the expense of Telangana's heritage and identity is unacceptable," he reiterated, urging Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy to correct this mistake immediately. Rama Rao reminded that the then Chief Minister K Chandrashekhara Rao had selected the site in July 2023 for the Telangana Thalli statue, near the Telangana

## Hyderabad student drowns in Canada lake

**CITY BUREAU**  
 Hyderabad

A Hyderabad student who went to pursue higher studies in Canada reportedly drowned in a lake in Toronto while celebrating his birthday along with his elder brother Pranay and friends on Sunday.

Praneeth, a resident of Meerpet, was studying MS from a university in Canada and was staying along with friends. Sunday was his birthday, and to celebrate it, he and his elder brother and four other friends went boating in a lake in Toronto, said Praneeth's father A Ravi.

The group stayed in a cottage and later went for a swim in the lake. While others returned to the shore, Praneeth did not return. The worried friends, after failing to locate him, informed the local emergency services. **(SEE PAGE 2)**

Amara Jyothi and Secretariat, as a symbol of the State's pride and aspirations. "The Congress, by installing the statue of someone not associated with the Telangana movement, has hurt the sentiments of every Telangana citizen," he said.

He vowed that whenever the BRS returned to power, it would remove the statue of Rajiv Gandhi from its current location and relocate it to Gandhi Bhavan, ensuring that the site remained reserved for Telangana Thalli. "We will restore the honour of Telangana by placing the rightful statue of Telangana Thalli where it belongs," he declared.

Rama Rao also said the Congress leadership was prioritising Delhi's approval over Telangana's interests. He said Telangana's soul was being mortgaged to impress the Delhi bosses. "Revanth and Congress leaders have placed their loyalty to Delhi bosses above the people of Telangana," he said, warning that such actions would not be tolerated by the people and those who undermine Telangana's existence would be politically defeated. **(RELATED REPORTS PAGE 5)**

## Trump survives 2nd assassination bid

**WASHINGTON**

Former US president Donald Trump is safe after he escaped an apparent assassination attempt while he was golfing on his course in Florida, a second bid on his life in two months. The incident took place on Sunday at the Trump International Golf Club in West Palm Beach, Florida.

Secret Service agents "opened fire on a gunman located near the property line" of Trump International Golf Club in West Palm Beach, Rafael Barros, the special agent in charge in Miami, said during a news conference, adding that the agency was "unsure whether the individual," who is in custody, "was able to take a shot at our agents."

Trump, who was golfing at the club at the time, was unharmed. According to Palm Beach County Sheriff Ric Bradshaw, a Secret Service agent spotted the suspect with a rifle sticking through the fence of the golf course and immediately fired at the man before he fled the scene. Republican presidential nominee Trump, 78, was 300 to 500 yards away from the suspect, Bradshaw said.

In a message to his supporters, Trump said he is safe. "There were gunshots in my vicinity, but before rumours start spiralling out of control, I wanted you to hear this first: I AM SAFE



Republican presidential candidate President Donald Trump during a campaign rally in Las Vegas. — File Photo

AND WELL! Nothing will slow me down. I will NEVER SURRENDER!" he said. Ryan Wesley Routh, a 58-year-old owner of a small construction company in Hawaii, has been detained in connection with Sunday's incident, according to three law enforcement sources. Routh has criticised former President many times.

This was the second attempt on Trump's life in two months. In July, a life-threatening attack on Trump during his rally in Pennsylvania shocked the entire nation.

He injured his right ear after the young shooter fired multiple shots at him at the campaign rally. Routh, who has a lengthy criminal record from North Carolina, frequently posted about politics and exclusively do-

nated to Democratic candidates and causes dating back to 2019, the New York Post reported.

He also bashed Trump in an April 22 post on X in which he declared, "DEMOCRACY is on the ballot and we cannot lose." During an interview with the New York Times in 2023, Routh also said he was seeking recruits for Ukraine from among Afghan soldiers who had fled the Taliban.

He said he planned to move them, in some cases illegally, from Pakistan and Iran to Ukraine. He said dozens had expressed interest. "We can probably purchase some passports through Pakistan since it's such a corrupt country," he was quoted as saying by the 'New York Times'. **(SEE PAGES 2, 9)**



Amid the rising cases of viral fevers across the State, a doctor, Praveen Kumar, along with the hospital staff, crosses the Jampannavagu to reach Maliala village in Mulugu district, where a medical camp was held for the students of government school.

## Winged beauties from Europe fly to TG for winter

**T KARNAKAR REDDY**  
 Sangareddy

As the monsoon season is nearing its end, several birds from Europe, Northern Asian countries, China and some other Himalayan regions have started to arrive in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh for winter migration.

Several wintering birds, such as the Grey Wagtail, Asian Brown Flycatcher, Greenish Warbler, Montagu's Harrier, Western Marsh Harrier, Tibetan Sand Plover, Isabelline Wheatear, Black Headed bunting, Grey-necked bunting, and many others



Isabelline Wheatear and Asian Brown Flycatcher.

were sighted in various wildlife sanctuaries across Telangana during the last fortnight.

Meanwhile, some passage birds, which migrate from Europe to the shorelines of the Bay of Bengal, were also



sighted, taking a brief halt at various places in the State.

Seasoned wildlife photographer Sriram Aditya sighted a Tibetan Sand Plover at Pocharam Wildlife Sanctuary in Medak district on Monday. **(SEE PAGE 2)**

## Kejri to meet L-G today, may submit resignation

**NEW DELHI:** Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal will meet Lt Governor VK Saxena at 4:30 pm on Tuesday, during which he is likely to tender his resignation. Saxena has given Kejriwal appointment for a meeting at 4:30 pm on Tuesday. AAP had earlier said Kejriwal sought time for a meeting with the LG on Tuesday and was likely to tender his resignation. "The CM has sought time from Saxena for a meeting on Tuesday. He is likely to tender his resignation," the party said earlier. **(RELATED REPORTS PAGE 7)**

## Sena MLA offers Rs 11L for chopping Rahul's tongue

**MUMBAI:** Shiv Sena MLA Sanjay Gaikwad kicked up a row by announcing a Rs 11 lakh reward to anyone chopping off Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's tongue for his remarks on scrapping the reservation system. As the remarks triggered a political firestorm and raised calls for action, police on Monday night registered a case against the Buldhana MLA. "While he was abroad, Rahul Gandhi said that he wanted to finish off the reservation system in India. This exposed the true face of Congress," Gaikwad said. **PTI**

## HYDRAA hits property sales hard

**STATE BUREAU**  
 Hyderabad

There have been apprehensions among property buyers in the city ever since the Hyderabad Disaster Response and Assets Protection Agency (HYDRAA) began demolition of illegal structures and with social media users sharing details of structures allegedly located in lake full tank level or buffer zone areas.

As a result, enquiries and property sales have been affected. A few managements are even being forced to issue public statements stating that their properties were not in such encroached or illegal areas.

**Builders forced to issue public statements stating their properties were not in encroached or illegal areas**

In a public notice issued in newspapers on Monday, property developer Urbanrise, which is constructing 'The World of Joy' G plus 42-floor apartment at Miyapur, clarified that the project was not being developed in the FTL of the Ameenpur Lake nor the buffer zone of the lake. **(SEE PAGE 2)**

## Techie dies after bidding for laddu

**CITY BUREAU**  
 Hyderabad

A software engineer died of cardiac arrest hours after bidding for the 'laddu prasadam' during an auction at a Ganesh pandal at Manikonda on Sunday.

Shyam Prasad, a resident of Alkapuri Township, had successfully bid and took the laddu for Rs 15 lakh. Delighted over it, Shyam Prasad danced along with the group at the pandal and went home. Later, Shyam collapsed in the house following which the family members rushed him to the hospital where doctors pronounced him dead. The doctors said Shyam suffered a cardiac arrest.