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Youth dies while dancing in Jagtial
JAGTIAL: A 23-year-old youth, Sanjeev, died, reportedly of heart attack while dancing in a marriage procession in Mothukuraopet late on Wednesday. According to the villagers, Sanjeev was attending the marriage of his uncle's son in Mothukuraopet. He collapsed while dancing in the marriage procession. He was shifted to a hospital where Sanjeev was declared brought dead. Doctors said Sanjeev died of a heart attack.

AAP's Khichi is Delhi Mayor
NEW DELHI: The Aam Aadmi Party's (AAP) Mahesh Khichi was elected as the next mayor of Delhi on Thursday, marking a significant victory for the ruling party in the national capital ahead of the Assembly polls due early next year. As Khichi took his seat, the jubilant AAP councillors filled the air with the 'Jai Bhim' slogan, celebrating the victory of the Dalit candidate in a tough contest. PTI

Flyer claims 'bomb' on flight, arrested
RAIPUR: An IndiGo flight from Nagpur to Kolkata with 187 passengers on board was forced to make an emergency landing at the Raipur airport after one of the passengers told the crew there was a "bomb" on the aircraft. After landing at the airport, the plane was thoroughly checked, but nothing suspicious was found. The passenger who gave false information about the presence of a 'bomb' was later arrested. PTI

4,000 miners trapped in S Africa
JOHANNESBURG: South Africa's government said it will not help 4,000 illegal miners inside a closed mine in the country's North West province who have been denied access to basic supplies as part of an official strategy against illegal mining. The miners in the mineshaft in Stilfontein are believed to be suffering from a lack of food water and other basic necessities. WORLD PAGE 9

CHICKEN RATES IN HYDERABAD	
Farm.....	Rs. 90
Retail live.....	Rs. 112
With skin.....	Rs. 162
Skinless.....	Rs. 185
Egg Rates (12 eggs).....	Rs. 74



Sara says she's a sunset chaser
For the actor, 'Surya devta ke darshan' is 'prime'

'Revanth trying to jail me to derive psychotic pleasure'

KTR slams CM's attempt to portray genuine ryots protest as political conspiracy

STATE BUREAU
HYDERABAD

BRS working president KT Rama Rao on Thursday accused Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy of attempts to portray the genuine farmers' protests in Lagacherla as a political conspiracy to forcibly acquire land for the Pharma Village intended for his son-in-law. Revanth Reddy, who was jailed in the cash-for-vote case, was seeking to imprison him to derive "psychotic pleasure", he said.

In an informal interaction with the media at Telangana Bhavan on Thursday amid speculations of his arrest, Rama Rao criticised the public hearing at Lagacherla and subsequent arrests of farmers, terming them part of a broader scheme to suppress dissent and acquire land forcibly. Villagers have been fighting for justice for about nine months, yet neither the Chief Minister nor his officials have addressed their grievances.

"Instead, they conspired to acquire land forcibly by creating a law and order problem," he said. The BRS working president condemned the police brutality, especially by the Vikarabad SP, against the arrested villagers and assaulting them by acting like Revanth Reddy's private army.

He stated that over 52 villagers were detained and assaulted. He questioned the police's motives for implicating BRS activist B



Women of Lagacherla pour out their woes to BRS working president KT Rama Rao, at Telangana Bhavan in Hyderabad on Thursday.

Suresh, who merely facilitated discussions between locals and officials. When reminded about the police remand report terming former MLA Patnam Narender Reddy and Suresh as prime accused and conspirators, he asked since when was a party activist speaking to his party leader is a crime.

He vowed to escalate the matter to the National SC/ST Commission, Human Rights Commission, and Women's Commission, questioning the silence of political parties and human rights groups in

the State. "Even Maoists have condemned the arrests," he pointed out. Rama Rao accused the Congress government of sabotaging the Pharma City project initiated by the previous BRS regime and of raising curtains for a real estate scandal. "We worked for eight years to acquire 14,000 acres for Pharma City, ensuring economic benefits for Telangana. But Revanth Reddy's government scrapped it, raising curtains for the real estate scandal under the guise of Pharma Villages," he said. (SEE PAGE 2)

KTR, PATNAM DID NOT PROVOKE US, SAY WOMEN

HYDERABAD: Punching more holes into the police claim that the Lagacherla attack was pre-planned and instigated by the BRS, family members of farmers arrested in the incident on Thursday made it clear that neither BRS working president KT Rama Rao nor former Kodangal MLA Patnam Narender Reddy had asked them to attack the Vikarabad Collector or other officials on Monday. This comes after former Kodangal MLA Patnam Narender Reddy said the purported confession in his remand report was cooked up by the police and that he had not said anything of that sort or named anyone. (REPORT PAGE 5)

COPS NAME BRS LEADER IN REMAND REPORT

HYDERABAD: In a move sparking outrage within the BRS, the police named BRS working president KT Rama Rao in the remand report of former Kodangal MLA Patnam Narender Reddy, alleging his involvement in the Lagacherla incident. The report accuses Narender Reddy of orchestrating attacks under Rama Rao's alleged direction to "destabilise/deteriorate the government and gain political mileage". It states that Narender Reddy confessed during interrogation that the attacks were part of a "criminal conspiracy" guided by a "party prominent leader," explicitly implicating Rama Rao and "others". (REPORT PAGE 5)

'ARREST ME FOR STANDING IN SUPPORT OF FARMERS'

HYDERABAD: Amid speculations of the Congress government planning his arrest, BRS working president KT Rama Rao launched a scathing attack on Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy for orchestrating a reign of fear and suppression. He dared the government to arrest him and declared that he cannot be intimidated with such threats. "Arrest me if you must. I will walk into prison with my head held high, standing by the farmers of Telangana and giving voice to the voiceless," he declared. He condemned the alleged conspiracies and midnight arrests targeting farmers, particularly in tribal regions. (REPORT PAGE 5)

MLA candidate held as clashes erupt in Rajasthan

TONK

Independent MLA candidate Naresh Meena was arrested following high drama and violence on Thursday, a day after he slapped an SDM during polling in Rajasthan's Tonk district and set in motion differing protests from both his supporters and Rajasthan Administrative Service officials.

The tension that started Wednesday afternoon, when the Congress rebel contesting as an independent in the bypolls caught SDM Malpura Amit Chaudhary by the collar and slapped him in full view of camera crews, continued through the night and well into Thursday.

Work across government offices in the State was hit with officials of the RAS Association and allied services going on a pen-down strike



A vehicle set on fire during violence that erupted following clash between police and supporters of Naresh Meena. — Photo:PTI

demanding that Meena be arrested. They said they would continue till a meeting with Chief Minister Bhajanlal Sharma. Ranged against them were Meena's alleged supporters. About 60 two-wheelers and 18 four-wheelers, including

police vehicles, were torched in the violence that erupted outside the polling booth in Samravta village in the Deoli-Uniara Assembly constituency when police tried to prevent Meena and his supporters from sitting on dharna. (SEE PAGE 2)

AFSPA back in 6 Manipur areas

NEW DELHI

The Centre has reimposed the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act in Manipur's six police station areas, including the violence-hit Jiribam. An area or district is notified as "disturbed" under AFSPA to facilitate the operations of the armed forces. AFSPA gives armed forces operating in disturbed areas sweeping powers to search, arrest and open fire if they deem it necessary for the "maintenance of public order".

In a notification, the union Home Ministry said the decision was taken given the continuous volatile situation there due to the ongoing ethnic violence. The police station areas where AFSPA has been reimposed are Sekmai and Lamsang in Imphal West district, Lamlai in Imphal East district, Jiribam in Jiribam district, Leimakhong in Kangpokpi and Moirang in Bishnupur.

'RELEASE ABDUCTED WOMEN, KIDS'

IMPHAL: School and college students across the Imphal valley formed multiple human chains outside their respective educational institutions to protest against the alleged abduction of three women and three children by armed tribal militants in Jiribam district. Holding black flags and wearing black badges, they raised slogans demanding immediate safe release of the six and called for action by the Central and State governments. Organised by COCOMI Students Front, an organisation of the Meitei community, they carried placards with "Today is children's day, release the innocent children" and "Release our friends" written on them. PTI

The fresh order came after the Manipur government imposed AFSPA in the entire State on October 1, barring 19 police station areas that include these six. The police stations excluded from the Manipur government's October 1 order were Imphal, Lamphal, City, Singjamei, Sekmai, Lamsang, Patsoi, Wangoi, Porompat, Heingang, Lamlai, Iriblung, Leimakhong, Thoubal, Bishnupur, Nambol, Moirang,

Kakching, Jiribam. Eleven suspected militants were killed in a fierce gunfight with security forces on Monday after insurgents in camouflage uniforms and armed with sophisticated weapons fired indiscriminately at a police station and an adjacent CRPF camp in Manipur's Jiribam district. A day later, six civilians, including women and children were abducted by armed militants from the same district.

More than 200 people have been killed and thousands rendered homeless in ethnic violence between Imphal Valley-based Meiteis and adjoining hills-based Kuki-Zo groups since May last year. The ethnically diverse Jiribam, which was largely untouched by the clashes in Imphal Valley and the adjoining hills, witnessed violence after the mutilated body of a farmer was found in a field in June this year.

The disturbed area declaration was in force in the entire Manipur (except the Imphal municipality) from 2004 till early 2022. In April 2022, the Manipur government issued a notification where it said the disturbed area tag will no longer be applicable in seven police station areas of Imphal West district, four police station areas under Imphal East district and one police station area each in the districts of Thoubal, Bishnupur, Kakching and Jiribam. PTI

Motorists change 'TS' to 'TG' at their will

C ROMEO
HYDERABAD

Some motorists were found to be changing the number plates of their vehicles from TS to TG, and they are likely to face action from RTA officials

ernment, which came to power last year, changed it to TG. It was clarified that the TS code for old vehicles will continue with motorists not needing to change it and that the new prefix will apply only to newly registered vehicles. However, out of enthusiasm, some motorists were found to be tampering with the number

plates of their old vehicles from TS to TG, causing concern for RTA officials.

Alphabet series
With the new TG code coming into effect, the Transport Department officials are reassigning registration numbers to new vehicles in order starting from alphabet 'A'. Currently 'C'

series is ongoing. When the TS code was introduced at the time of the emergence of the new State, it was started in the 'E' series. Soon 'E' series will start in TG code also.

Usually, numbering starts from 0001. Gradually, the number previously allotted under TS will now also be allotted in the TG series as well. But if a motorist with a TS number plate sets up a TG on his own, his number will clash with a vehicle with the same number as the official TG code. (SEE PAGE 2)

Ryot ends life over financial crisis

STATE BUREAU
NIRMAL

A 38-year-old farmer died by suicide allegedly due to financial crisis caused by crop damage at Suryapur village in Kuntala mandal on Thursday. Kunta Sub-Inspector Bhaskara Chary said that Neralla Lakshman resorted to the extreme step when he could not register profits in farming. Lakshman raised soya crop on his 2 acres of land. However, the crop was damaged by the floods during this monsoon. (SEE PAGE 2)

Farmers stage rasta-roko in Nirmal

STATE BUREAU
NIRMAL

Farmers from the Abdullahpur village staged a rasta-roko demanding the government to take steps to address the delay in procuring paddy on Thursday. The farmers blocked the traffic on Bhainsa-Nirmal Road affecting traffic for around two hours and causing inconvenience to motorists. They raised slogans against the Congress government for delaying the

process of procurement of paddy grains belonging to Vanakalam season.

The agitating farmers said they boycotted the ongoing caste census to protest the delay in the procurement of the paddy produce. They also criticised the government for failing to implement crop loan waiver in a full-fledged manner. They withdrew the protest when Bhainsa RDO Komal Reddy assured them of procuring paddy at the earliest as per norms.