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Minister Errabelli Dayakar Rao says second phase of Palle Pragathi will begin on January 2 to develop villages



Swine flu awareness programme held with legislators and Hyderabad Mayor

— Etala Rajendar  
Health minister

## SHORT TAKE

### BIRD WALK FESTIVAL FROM TODAY

PILLALAMARRI SRINIVAS | DC  
KUMARAM BHEEM ASIFABAD, DEC. 13

The forest department is for the first time organising a 'Bird Walk Festival' on Saturday and Sunday within the forests of the district, where 270 varieties of birds have been spotted.

The walk, which will be free of cost, is part of the department's aim to create awareness among people about the need to protect forests. Officials say more than 100 nature lovers have registered their names for the Bird Walk Festival.

The festival would highlight to the world the rich biodiversity within Kumarambheem Asifabad district which, in turn, would attract tourists and nature lovers to the district. The department has identified a few places where the festival will be organised. These include Kosini in Kagaznagar mandal, Malini Hills in Sirpur (T), Nandigama hills, Palarapu hills, Jilleada and shore area of river Pranahitha in Bejjur and Penchikalpet mandals, Gundala in Tiryanani mandal, and Ada project in Asifabad mandal. The forest department is also planning to make videos for the purpose to promote the rich flora and fauna to sensitise people about the area's biodiversity. There are a number of waterfalls located in the interior areas of Kumarambheem Asifabad district not well known to the outside world.

Kumarambheem Asifabad DFO Laxman Ranjeet Naik said they are also planning to bring out an album with photographs of birds, including rare and migratory ones, which visit the Kumarambheem Asifabad district. He said the people can capture photographs of the birds during the Bird Walk Festival.

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Sources said that police officers who personally met a few activists told them that since there was massive public support for police, support from activists will "go a long way" and send across a signal to criminals that no section of society would tolerate ghastly crimes. The police urged rights activists to give statements in media in support of the encounter. Cops tried to convince the activists that "this was not the right time to talk about human rights" but to instead extend all out support to police. The men in uniform painstakingly, sources revealed, "explained why the entire country needs to be on the same page" whenever ghastly offences like Nirbhaya and Disha take place.

While some of the activists chose to get rid of the police officials, saying they would think about it and revert later, others declined upfront to toe the police line. "I heard the police official patiently and then made my point that though it was a horrific crime, justice cannot be meted out through encounter killings. They tried to convince that the encounter was genuine and the four men were shot dead when they tried to attack the police party. But I don't buy this absurd theory," an activist, on condition of anonymity, said. Another activist, who said that the request from the police department indeed caught him by surprise, claimed that those at the top had instructed the police to take rights activists into confidence. "Perhaps, their aim was to influence the central agencies or even courts, and to get some sort of cover. But there is no question of supporting these kind of encounter killings," the activist said.

# Stir against Citizenship Act erupts

## Organisations hold silent demonstration in front of mosques; Traffic disrupted

ATHER MOIN | DC  
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Friday saw the biggest protests by Muslims in the history of Telangana State. The protesters at several places expressed their anger at the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA), which excludes only Muslim immigrants from settling in the country and is blatantly religious in intent. A silent demonstration was organised in front of mosques against the CAA and the proposed nationwide National Register of Citizens (NRC), which has disenfranchised lakhs of people, mainly Muslims, in Assam where it was tried out.

Hundreds of people belonging to various organisations and outfits participated in the rally wearing black badges and strips, organised by the Students Islamic Organisation at Masjid-e-Azizia in Mehdiapatnam. Traffic was disrupted for an hour on busy roads.

Soon after prayers hundreds of students gathered outside the Masjid-e-Azizia, Mehdiapatnam crossroads with placards and banners and walked to Rythu Bazaar. People from all walks of life, cutting across communal and party lines, participated.

Protesters raised slogans such as "Modi Murdabad", "Modi ki Tanashai nahin chalegi nahin chalegi", "Amit Shah Murdabad" and "We reject CAA" etc.

The protesters held placards that read "NRC & CAB are tools to advance Hindutva Agenda and beginning to declare India as the Nation State of Hindus", "NRC & CAA are the tools to divert the nation's attention from economy, jobs & development to petty, ill-conceived and communal issues", "India is home to all religions" and "The CAA selectively grants citizenship to illegal immigrants belongs to certain religions only" etc. Later they staged a sit-in at the Mehdiapatnam crossroads for more than half an hour.

Speaking on the occasion, Talha Faiyazuddin, state president, TS-SIO, called the legislation unconstitutional and illegal. He said that the government doesn't have any sympathy with religiously



Members of the minority community protest against the Citizenship Amendment Act at the historical Mecca Masjid in Hyderabad on Friday. They called it unconstitutional and undemocratic. — P. SURENDRA



Security personnel seize a bottle of petrol from a person who was trying to enter the Mecca Masjid for Friday prayers. — DC

## OU students angry over Act

RAJESWARI PARASA | DC  
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Students from Osmania University (OU) have joined the protests against the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA).

The students call it anti-constitutional and against Article 14 of the Constitution ("The state shall not deny to any person equality before the law or the equal protection of the laws within the territory of India"). Hundreds of students took out a rally on the campus, carrying slogans and placards castigating CAA and the National Register of Citizens (NRC). A copy of the Citizenship Amendment Act was also burnt in front of the Arts College.

persecuted immigrants, but the only thing this government intends is to advance its communal agenda. Bringing in legislation that discriminates against a particular community on the basis of religion is against the spirit of the constitution and violates Article 14 of



Osmania University students hold protest against the Citizenship Amendment Act in Hyderabad on Friday. — DEEPAK DESHPANDE

the constitution, he said. By bringing this legislation the government has shown its true colours of fascist Hindutva and is openly pursuing policies to establish a Hindu Rashtra. There were also slogans against a proposed nationwide NRC. Pointing to the fact that

the onus of proving who is not a citizen lies on the government, the protesters urged the government and all the political parties to revoke CAA and stop instilling fear in, and intimidating, the common man in the name of CAA and NRC. Some protesters said

CAA is a communal and divisive bill that only invites refugees from certain religions and countries. While it is totally against Muslims, it also does not consider the Sri Lankan Tamil refugees and the Tibetan refugees, most of whom are non-Muslims.

## Too early to speak on encounter death inquiry, says Karthikeyan

VIKRAM SHARMA | DC  
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He is one of the top-notch professionals, known to lead by example, and his batchmates in the 1964 batch of the Indian Police Service (IPS) swear by him. Back in the 1990s, when he headed the Special Investigation Team (SIT) which would crack the Rajiv Gandhi assassination case and secure the conviction of 26 accused in the case, this IPS officer along with his team would work 18 hours a day, for months together, piecing together evidence and hunting the former prime minister's assassins.

Devarayapuram Ramasamy Karthikeyan — the retired IPS officer and one of the finest investigative minds in the country — is now Hyderabad-bound to dig out the truth in the encounter killing of four accused in the rape and murder of veterinary doctor Disha. He along with Justice V.S. Sirpurkar who is heading the commission, and former Bombay High Court judge Justice Rekha Sundar Baldota, will be arriving in Hyderabad in the next few days to begin the inquiry.

With Karthikeyan in the commission, the top brass of the Telangana state police is already feeling the jitters.

"It (inquiry) is a long process and I have not yet received the orders. But I will be in Hyderabad and will be camping there till the inquiry is over. I am



Karthikeyan and I prepared for the civil services together. He is very objective and does not side with anyone. I feel he will be able to complete the inquiry in one month.

— V. Appa Rao, Karthikeyan's batchmate in the 1964 batch.

very familiar with Hyderabad," Karthikeyan told *Deccan Chronicle* over telephone from Coimbatore, where he is on a personal visit.

Presently, associated with the Forum for Peace, Harmony and Good Governance in New Delhi as its president, the 1964 batch IPS officer says it is too early to comment on how they would proceed with the inquiry. "I have known Justice Sirpurkar. I have headed inquiry commissions earlier but this would be the first time I would be part of the commission that is enquiring into encounter killings," he said.

Asked what he felt about instant justice and the encounter itself, the former IPS officer said, "Had you asked me my opinion 24 hours ago, before the Supreme Court appointed the commission, I would have expressed my opinion. But now, it would be unethical as I am part of the inquiry commission," he said. Karthikeyan previously worked here as IG, South, CRPF. "The commission has only been appointed yesterday and we (the three members) have not got in touch with

each other. But we should be in Hyderabad soon."

Asked whether he felt that six months is a long time and that the commission would be able to complete the inquiry much before the stipulated time, the former CBI boss said that "it is a long process."

Though Karthikeyan was guarded in his comments and obviously so, in one of the events organised by his forum earlier he spoke his mind while speaking on the topic 'Accepting Responsibility; Quitting the blame game'.

"Sometimes, when people mess up at work, they dodge accountability and shift the responsibility to someone else. Blaming others for (your) mistake is not a healthy mechanism. One of the most destructive human pastimes is playing the blame game," he said, addressing the gathering in July this year. He said that blame game has been responsible for mass casualties of war. "Blame game consists of blaming another person for an event or state of affairs thought to be undesirable, instead of proactively making changes to ameliorate the situation," he said.

## HC ORDERS PRESERVATION OF BODIES

DC CORRESPONDENT  
HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

The High Court directed the government to preserve the bodies of the four accused in the Disha rape and murder case till further orders of the Supreme Court.

A division bench of Chief Justice Justice Raghavendra Singh Chauhan and Justice A. Abhishek Reddy gave the order while adjourning the PILs over the encounter deaths sine die (adjourned with no specific date for resumption).

On Thursday, the Supreme Court had constituted a three-member committee to conduct an inquiry into the encounter deaths and had stayed all the proceedings before the High Court.

Due to the non-availability of the Supreme Court order copies, there was ambiguity on the bodies of the four accused, which were being preserved by the police on High Court orders. On Friday, the High Court was informed that the Supreme Court had directed the government to preserve the bodies till further.

■ THE SC had constituted a panel to conduct an inquiry into the encounter deaths.

N. VAMSI SRINIVAS | DC  
VIJAYAWADA, DEC. 13

Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy has questioned the rationale behind National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) and Supreme Court-appointed probes into the killing of the accused in the Disha rape-and-murder case in an encounter by the Telangana state police.

The remarks came during the course of a debate on the Andhra Pradesh Disha Bill passed by the Assembly on Friday. The AP Bill seeks to reduce the investigation and trial period in rape cases to 21 days while making the death sentence mandatory for those convicted of rape. "We all appreciate if the hero in a movie shoots rapists to death. But, in this case, inquiries are going on in the name of NHRC and Supreme Court. They condemn the ghastly incident and demand punishment for rapists but, at the same time, find fault with the police. Hats off to KCR and Telangana police for meeting people's aspirations in this matter," Reddy remarked.

Expressing concern over such inquiries, the chief minister said decision makers in government and police may hesitate to act when such incidents happen. Rapists may walk free while victims' family members suffer forever. He pointed out that every family in the society had discussed the Disha case and appreciated the

instant justice meted out to the rapists. He pointed out that justice is still pending in the Nirbhaya case. The CM termed the proposed AP Disha Bill as revolutionary in that it would send shivers down the spine of people who even think of committing such heinous crimes.

Meanwhile, legal experts say it would take a long time for the Disha Bill to come into force, as drastic changes have made to the Nirbhaya Act enacted by the Centre earlier. While life imprisonment or death penalty has been prescribed for convicts in rape cases under

## Fear, anxiety grip poor Muslims

KANIZA GARARI | DC  
HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

Economically weaker sections of Muslims are aware that there is a draconian bill passed by the Centre and that there is a chance that they will be taken away from their homes.

This is their only understanding of the Citizenship Amendment Bill and the National Registry of Citizens so far. There will be some papers required but what exactly they are and whether they have these in their possession is not clear.

When asked about their children, they are ready with papers as the kids go to schools. For themselves and their parents, it's a blank stare.

All of them have Aadhaar cards which they carry with them wherever they go.

But the Aadhaar card is not in the list of required documents. What is required is birth certificate, authentication of place of birth, land or home document, school and university certificate to establish their homeland.

These documents must be handy if the CAB and NRC is implemented in Telangana state.

Thirty slum areas have been identified in the Old City by non-government organisations that are

using mosques in the area as help centres. Urban slums around NS Kunta, Vatapally, Jahanuma, Tadbun, Falaknuma and many others from Friday onwards to collect the essential documents for citizens. A small session was held where the need for documents was explained. Those who have documents were told to keep them safely. Those who do not have documents were asked to check with their native village offices and get them.

Pamphlets were also distributed that explained which documents are required, such as a birth certificate with date of birth and place of birth properly recorded.

Mujtaba Hasan Askari of Helping Hand Foundation explained, "The NRC exercise in Assam is being taken as a yardstick to understand the process. The population has been divided into age groups for better understanding. Hence those above 32 years of age, those between 15 to 32 years and those below 15 years of age are categorised. The documents required for each category was explained to them."

Friday sermons are being used as a platform for disseminating this information as there are large congregations during the afternoon prayers.

## Jagan questions probe into encounter deaths

## Andhra House passes Disha bill

MD ILYAS | DC  
VIJAYAWADA, DEC. 13

The Andhra Pradesh Assembly passed the Disha Bill on Friday, which will punish culprits in 21 days to provide justice speedily to the victims of specified offences against women and children.

The YSRC hailed the bill as historical and unique and the opposition Telugu Desam supported the legislation.

Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy claimed that the Andhra Pradesh Disha Bill Criminal Law (AP Amendment) Act, 2019

will help reduce crimes in Andhra Pradesh. The House also passed the AP Special Courts for Specified Offences Against Women and Children Bill.

The Disha bill prescribes the death penalty for rape where there is conclusive evidence, and this needs amendment to Section 376 of the Indian Penal Code. The Bill stipulates a period of 21 working days for the case, with the investigation being completed in seven days, and the trial closing in 14 days. The AP Disha Bill prescribes life imprisonment for sexual offences against children.

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A senior official of the state told *Deccan Chronicle* that since the proposed AP Disha Bill contains several provisions "repugnant to provisions of an earlier law made by Parliament", the AP Governor will have to send the bill to the Centre for vetting.



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**10.30 am to 12 noon:** Max Cure Hospital- Madhapur and surrounding areas

**2 pm to 5 pm:** Jubilee Hills Roads No. 37, 38, 39, Ridge Hotel, Benz showroom, area opposite Bajaj showroom, area opposite SBI, Jubilee Ridge Hotel, Chaitanya Tech School.

**2 pm to 4 pm:** Kavuri Hills Phase-II, Amar Co-Operative Society, Kalyannagar, Anjaninagar, Jubilee Hills Road No. 44

**3 pm to 4.30 pm:** Gowra Apartments, petrol bunk area, Kummari Basti area, Gaffoor Nagar.

**4.30 pm to 5.30 pm:** Padmalaya Studio area, Jubilee Hills Road No. 78, Easwarawalli, Babu Jagjivan Ram Colony, Padmalaya slum area, areas surrounding the houses of Pullela Gopichand, Nihita Nethu and Sania Mirza, Bharani Layout area, Teacher Training Centre area, Nyaya Vihar.



# Peacock dies on road

## Stroke due to loud noise may have killed the bird

T.S.S. SIDDHARTH | DC HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

A peacock was found dead by motorists and pedestrians on the road at S.R. Nagar at about 1 pm on Friday.

According to officials of the forest department, who received information of the peacock's carcass from the police, sound pollution could have claimed the bird's life. They suspect that the bird could have died of a cardiac arrest on hearing a loud sound.

"The pace of the heart beat in a peacock or peafowl is very high. They get jittery around loud sounds. The bird

must have died of a cardiac arrest because a motorist would've honked loudly. We can say this because there were no injury marks on the body," said forest range officer, Ramesh Kumar Tirumala, who also works with the anti-poaching wing of the department.

According to experts like Chelmala Srinivasulu, assistant professor, Department of Zoology, Osmania University: "Birds like peacocks usually prefer lush green environments as their habitats. It must have come out of its habitat to look for food." Peacocks do not shy away



from human interaction, he said.

"These birds are usually restricted to green areas, but, of late, they have begun to exploit smaller urban green spaces. So, people in places like SR Nagar, ESI Hospital and the Chest Hospital should not be surprised if they spot a fairly large bird crossing the road," Prof Srinivasulu told *Deccan Chronicle*.

While no census has been conducted by the government, there are said to be around 638 peacocks in the KBR Park in Jubilee Hills.

A paper authored by Vinay Kumar Sethi and Dinesh Bhatt says, "Indian peafowls keep a distance from humans, but seem less affected by their presence."

Incidentally, responding to a question raised in the Lok Sabha on Friday, MoS for Environment Babul Supriyo said peacocks are listed in Schedule-I of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, according to them the highest degree of protection.

# NINE VARSITIES DO NOT HAVE FULL-TIME V-Cs

RAJESHWARI PARASA | DC HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

The government has preferred to appoint yet another Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer as an in-charge Vice-Chancellor of Telugu University. It replaced V. Anil Kumar, who retired recently, with Neetu Prasad, who took charge of all his departments.

It's been close to six months since the nine state universities are being administered by bureaucrats.

An official from a state university said that several officials from the university "are complaining about the fact that the varsities are being handled by officers from non-academic backgrounds. We thought it's a temporary measure but it's been a long time and the government needs to take a decision soon."

More than half the academic year has passed and examinations will start soon, which requires the supervision of an academician as an in-charge if not full time V-C. The IAS officers are already handling two to three portfolios each and the universities are an additional burden, say student representatives.

Search committees constituting three members each were formed in September to nominate three people to the government, of which one person would be appointed V-C. However, the final decision is still pending.

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# OSMANSAGAR BEAUTIFICATION WORK TO START

DC CORRESPONDENT HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

Hyderabad Metropolitan Development Authority (HMDA) will lay the foundation stone for beautification works worth ₹18 crore to be taken up at Osmansagar. The lake will get a walking track, cycling track, chain link mesh fencing, street-lighting, shoreline strengthening and landscaping covering 25 kilometres.

The HMDA said this stretch had been chosen out of the 48-km periphery as it to be the lake's entrance and was most frequented by people and more therefore more vulnerable to littering. The lake will get amenities like a revolving restaurant, cable car, houseboats, night camping space, and food courts.

# Most road mishaps occur between 3 pm and 6 pm

ADITYA CHUNDURU | DC HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

A research paper authored by a city-based forensic scientist on road accidents and their causes has provided some interesting insights, including that most accidents occurred between 3 and 6 pm.

Dr T. Vikramaditya, assistant professor at the Malla Reddy Institute of Medical Sciences (MRIMS), conducted a retrospective study of road traffic accidents in Suraram, near Qutubullapur, between April and September 2016. The study focused on non-fatal accidents.

Of the 84 victims of road accidents brought to MRIMS during this time, more than half (52.96 per cent) were aged between 15 and 30. Nearly 52.38 per cent of

the victims were involved in two-wheeler accidents, 25 per cent in four-wheeler, 11.90 per cent in three-wheeler, 7.14 per cent in bus, 3.57 per cent were involved in lorry and mini-lorry accidents. Half the injuries in two-wheeler accidents were sustained due to the skidding of the vehicle. Only 8.33 per cent of the cases were regarding driving under the influence of alcohol.

The data suggests that males were more likely to be caught in an accident. Seventy of the 84 injured were men. These figures correspond with other similar studies done in the past.

The study found that most accidents — 29.76 per cent — occurred between 3 pm and 6 pm every day. Dr Vikramaditya said, "While statistical data on

things such as age and sex might correspond with similar studies, the time of accident is unique for each place. It is a function of factors that include the type of roads in that area and employment scenario. Hence, this figure will be different in a place like, say, Jubilee Hills."

He said Suraram is located close to an industrial cluster (Jeedimetla), has a lot of colleges in the vicinity and close to crucial highways. "The 3 pm-6 pm slot seems to be when most students and employees return home. That is probably why we saw most accidents during this time," he said.

Analysis of month-wise data revealed that accidents peaked during July. Dr Vikramaditya said this could be due to the increase in traffic post summer vacations.

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## Inspection rounds

Gajanan Mallya, general manager, SCR, conducts annual inspection of Nanded division in Maharashtra



KCR is spending time talking, instead of taking welfare measures

— T. Jayaprakash 'Jagga' Reddy Congress MLA

## Hudco chief checks 2BHKs

Hyderabad: Mr Ravi Kanth Medthi, chairman and managing director of Housing and Urban Development Corporation Limited (Hudco) on Friday inspected the double-bedroom housing project at Kollur. The mega project is constructed on 124 acres with 15,660 dwelling units in 117 blocks. He directed officials to expedite the project and hand over the flats by March 2020.

## BC panel asks for G-1 notification

Hyderabad: A representation has been made to Chief Minister K. Chandrasekhar Rao, to release Group 1 notification and to immediately fill in the vacant 1,200 posts by BC Welfare Association president R. Krishnaiah on Friday. "It was said that the notification would be released after the formation of Telangana. However, the government has dragged it by stating zonal issues. Now despite clearance of all the issues, the government is not releasing any of the notifications," said Mr Krishnaiah.

## Train pilots get 'Fog Pass'

Hyderabad: The South Central Railways on Friday announced that it has started supplying Fog Pass devices to its train pilots. The portable devices serve as an aid to alert crews during fog with regard to upcoming landmarks through audio and visual prompts, the SCR said. The GPS-based devices would supply train pilots with data such as location of signals, stations, level crossing gates, warning boards, curves and gradients. The SCR said in a statement that train pilots often slow down when they cannot see surrounding locations and upcoming signals. This causes a drop in punctuality.

## Central depot for Ayush drugs

Hyderabad: A centralised depot for Ayush medicines will be set up in Hyderabad as the stocks are procured arbitrarily on need basis. The government has allocated ₹1 crore for the construction of an integrated centralised stock point. Allopathic medicines are stocked by TS Medical Services and Infrastructure Development Corporation and a similar unit is being planned by the Ayush department. "A centralised system will enable us understand how much stock is available, what has been spent and the demand," said minister Etala Rajendar. With the demand for Ayush medicines increasing and the government's clinics dispensing traditional medicines doing well, the focus is on developing infrastructure for it, sources said.

# Law changed, state to get Lok Ayukta at last

### Norm eased, retired High Court judge can be Lok Ayukta

S.A. ISHAQUI | DC HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

After facing the wrath of the High Court several times, the state government is finally taking steps to appoint Lok Ayukta by amending the legislation.

The existing Telangana Lok Ayukta Act, 1983, stipulates that the person to be appointed as Lok Ayukta shall be a retired Chief Justice of the High Court.

On November 29 while dealing with petitions moved questioning the inaction of the state government in appointing the Lok Ayukta and constituting

the state human rights commission, the Telangana High Court directed the state government to appoint the Lok Ayukta and set up the Human Rights Commission by December 30.

Following the directions, the state government has issued an ordinance amending the Telangana Lok Ayukta Act 1983 in view of non-availability of retired chief justices in the state.

The state government in order to mitigate non-availability of retired chief justices has amended the Act paving the way to appoint a retired judge

of the High Court as Lok Ayukta.

The government has also issued a notification constituting the Telangana state human rights commission on Friday.

The state has been deprived of its Lok Ayukta and human rights commission as the state government has not taken any steps to constitute both institutions since its formation.

As per the AP Reorganisation Act 2014, the existing AP Lokayukta and the AP state human rights commission has to be bifurcated within two years from the appointed day, June 2, 2014. But the

state government has not taken any steps from the past six years.

As the line was clear to appoint the Lok Ayukta, the government will request the High Court to suggest the names of the retired judges to select one among them to head the Lok Ayukta.

According to the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993, the state human rights commission also to be headed by a retired Chief Justice, is likely to be amended, in view of the scarcity of the retired chief justices in the state, so that a retired judge might head the commission.



BJP leader Swami Paripoornananda gives lemon juice to party leader D.K. Aruna to end her two-day fast on Friday. Ms Aruna fasted for two days near Indira Park to demand an immediate ban of liquor in the state.

# PM meets BJP MPs, party likely to focus more on TS

IREDDY SRINIVAS REDDY | DC HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's meeting with Telangana state BJP MPs on the last day of the Winter Session of Parliament triggered speculation that the party will focus on the state after the Jharkhand elections.

Sources said that Mr Modi personally told Union minister of state for home G. Kishan

Reddy that he wanted to meet BJP MPs from the state. Mr Reddy accordingly took Mr Soyam Babu Rao, Bandi Sanjay and Dharmapuri Arvind and Rajya Sabha member Garikapati Mohan Rao along with him to Mr Modi's chambers in Parliament.

Sources said that in the wake of Chief Minister K. Chandrasekhar Rao and minister K.T. Rama Rao targeting the Centre with regard to tax devolution to the state and during the RTC strike, Mr Modi's meeting with the BJP MPs gained significance. The PM's meeting comes days

# KCR bypasses ministers, ignores promises: BJP

DC CORRESPONDENT HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

State BJP president Dr K. Laxman alleged that the TRS government had utterly failed on all fronts after promising 'Bangaru Telangana'.

Speaking in a press conference at state party office on Friday, Dr Laxman told mediapersons that Chief Minister K. Chandrasekhar Rao had betrayed the people by not

keeping his promises of providing two bedroom houses and not filling vacant posts. He had not provided unemployment allowance, nor waived farmer loans.

Dr Laxman alleged that the people including labourers, employees and even Cabinet ministers and MLAs were not happy with Dr Rao's functioning. He said that Mr Rao was taking decisions and holding review meetings with-

out involving the ministers concerned.

Dr Laxman alleged that the financial position of the state was so pathetic that the TRS government was unable to pay the beneficiaries of any scheme.

He accused the state government of misusing funds allotted for the Haritha Haram programme and demanded a White Paper on the number of saplings planted and their survival rate.

after Mr Chandrasekhar Rao said he would meet the Prime Minister and ask for the tax dues, and TRS MPs meeting finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman on the subject on Friday.

Sources said that Mr Modi asked the MPs why their TRS counterparts protested in Parliament

and why TRS MP Nama Nageswara Rao criticised the BJP in the House.

Sources said that Mr Modi was curious about the changing stand of the TRS with regard to the Citizenship Amendment Bill when the party had supported several key bills.

The MPs explained that

it was due to the TRS keeping in view the minority votes and its friendship with the MIM.

Sources revealed that Mr Modi discussed about the financial situation of the state. Prior to the meeting, he reportedly ascertained from the finance minister whether the Centre owed TS ₹29,000 GST dues.

# TS hasn't paid railway: Centre

ADITYA CHUNDURU | DC HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

The Union railway ministry has accused the Telangana state government of delay and non-payment of its share of funds, due to which the progress of three new lines — Manoharabad-Kothapalli, Akkanapet-Medak, Bhadrachalam-Sattupalli — has been affected. Railway minister Piyush Goyal has said that the state government and Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) is yet to release and deposit a cumulative ₹584 crore.

In a reply to Malkajgiri MP A. Revanth Reddy's unstarred question in the Lok Sabha on November 27, the ministry had said four out of 13 ongoing projects in Telangana state were being done on a cost-sharing basis with the state government.

The costs of Manoharabad and Akkanapet lines are to be shared between the Centre and state government, and those of the Bhadrachalam line with the Centre and the Singareni Collieries Corporation Limited (SCCL). It may be noted that SCCL is owned jointly by the state and central governments, with the former having a controlling stake.

In the case of the Manoharabad-Kothapalli line, the state has to pay ₹307 crore. For this, for the initial work, the government has deposited ₹60 crore and still owes ₹71.61 crore. "Non-release of funds has resulted in non-payment of bills, affecting the progress of work," said Mr Goyal in his answer.

On Akkanapet-Medak, the government has to pay ₹105 crore. For the initial work, it has deposited ₹21.15 crore, and is due ₹50.41 crore.

On Bhadrachalam-Sattupalli, SCCL has paid ₹156 crore of the sanctioned share of ₹619 crore. "The project cost has now been revised to ₹952 crore. Acceptance of the revised cost and depositing of outstanding funds are awaited from M/s SCCL. Not depositing the outstanding amount by M/s SCCL is badly hampering the progress of the project," said Mr Goyal.

Mr B. Vinod Kumar, vice-chairman of the

● Railway minister Piyush Goyal says TS government, Singareni Collieries need to pay ₹584 for the railways to complete construction of projects.

● Government says the main issue is land acquisition. The land owners are asking for enhanced rates.

● Shortage of surveyors is also affecting the work, says former MP B. Vinod Kumar.

Telangana Planning Board, admitted that there were indeed delays, mostly because of land acquisition, when asked about Mr Goyal's statement.

"The sums being referred to are mostly regarding handing over of land. This is currently under process. As and when the land is acquired, we will hand it over to the railways," he said.

Mr Kumar said land acquisition had become quite complex lately. "Recently, there has been a proliferation of canal irrigation schemes across the state. For this, many lands were acquired at high prices. People who are being asked to give up land for railway projects are also asking for similarly high prices. This has become an issue. That being said, we will pick up the activity and finish it soon," he said.

Mr Kumar, former Karimnagar MP, said that recently IT minister K.T. Rama Rao and finance minister Harish Rao had detailed discussions on the subject with concerned district collectors, RDOs and other officials. "Another problem we are facing is that there is a shortage of surveyors. The present ones are concentrating on acquisition related to irrigation projects and haven't been able to work on lands for railway lines. However, state officials recently met with those from railways and it was decided to expedite the matter," he said.

# HANDOVER OF STAFF BY AP UPSETS ASSN

DC CORRESPONDENT HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

The Telangana State Power Engineers' Association (TSPEA) on Friday condemned allotment of 582 employees from AP to power utilities in TS without following the guidelines laid down by Justice Dharmadhikari, the one-man committee on bifurcation of employees between the two states.

TSPEA president and secretary, P. Ratnakar Rao and P. Sadanandam respectively, appealed to Justice Dharmadhikari to undo the grave injustice done to Telangana people by not bifurcating employees on the basis of nativity.

They said the entire movement for a separate Telangana was for a fair share to people of Telangana in employment, which was denied in the united Andhra Pradesh despite statutory provisions like the Presidential Order, Article 371(D) and GO 610.

As a result, Andhra employees cornered many of the posts in the Telangana region. The same had also been pointed out by the Girilani Commission.

The TSPEA leaders said after formation of Telangana state, 1,157 AP natives were relieved from TS power utilities and allotted to Andhra Pradesh. Of them 613 opted to work for the AP power units. But now, 582 employees had been allotted to TS power utilities, which is against the guidelines issued by Justice Dharmadhikari.

They pointed out that AP power utilities had committed to accommodating 202 employees in their existing vacancies. But in the final allotment, even these employees have also not been absorbed by AP, they lamented.

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## NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT (Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt of India)

**CORRIGENDUM**  
In reference to advt. published in this newspaper on 19.10.2019 and 09.11.2019, the last date for receipt of application is extended for Professor till 21.12.2019 and for Joint Director till 23.12.2019.  
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## FOUL WORDS ECHO IN AP ASSEMBLY

N. VAMSI SRINIVAS | DC VIJAYAWADA, DEC. 13

Filthy language has been flowing freely in the AP Assembly lowering the dignity of the highest legislation making body.

Members including Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy have been found uttering these objectionable words.

The word "bastard" echoed in the House with member after member from the treasury benches using it in their bid to score a point over the Leader of Opposition N Chandrababu Naidu, whom they accused of abusing the Chief Marshal of the Assembly.

Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy displayed a video of TD members' scuffle with Chief Marshal and said "He (Naidu) called government servants bastards. What is the meaning of bastard adyakscha (Speaker)," and went on to use the word on some more occasions. Then it was the turn of finance minister Buggana Rajendranath Reddy who used the word at least thrice in his speech.

# HC angry as officials ignore its orders

VUJJINI VAMSHIDHARA | DC HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

Expressing displeasure over government officers deliberately flouting court orders, the Telangana High Court on Friday observed that there was something amiss with the government's dealing with the judiciary.

Chief Justice Raghavendra Singh Chauhan, said that it looked as if the government and its officers had to be taught to respect the majesty of law. "If we send two or three officers to jail in contempt cases, everything will be set right and the remaining officials will implement judicial orders," the CJ com-

## SIDDIPET COLLECTOR SUMMONED FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT

DC CORRESPONDENT HYDERABAD, DEC. 13

In a contempt case, then Siddipet collector Venkatrami Reddy appeared before the High Court on Friday

for violation of court orders.

The court had ordered him not to acquire ₹1.28 acres of assigned land which was allotted to a farmer 28 years ago. Despite this, authori-

ties took the land after forcibly evicting the farmer. The officials replied to the court that they had paid compensation. The court disagreed and on Friday summoned the officer

Justice A. Abhishek Reddy, told the government: "Don't blame us if we take a strict view in dealing the contempt cases, perhaps it may lead to drastic steps."

The bench said that the maximum number of contempt cases were being filed against the revenue, land

acquisition, home, municipal administration and registration departments.

The judges' outrage came when when Sharat Kumar, special counsel for the government, asked the court for urgent hearing of an appeal against a single judge order. The government had issued

an appeal after a petitioner had filed a contempt case for not implementing orders.

The limitation period for filing the appeal had elapsed but special counsel tried to convince the court to hear the petition, without responding on a condoned delay petition. The court said that the officers wake up only after the filing of contempt cases and then rush to the government.

Advocate general, B.S. Prasad, present in the court hall, tried to offer an explanation on the filing of contempt cases. To this, Justice Chauhan said no citizen wanted to file contempt petitions by spending money.

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## Necessary move

### Arvind Kejriwal says government will administer oath to Delhi schoolboys to behave with girls



### Citizenship law is India's internal matter

— Mohamed Nasheed, Maldives speaker



## PATNA COLLEGE STUDENT GANGRAPED

NAYEAR AZAD | DC PATNA, DEC. 13

Amid public outrage over rising crime against women in Bihar, a college student was allegedly gang-raped in Patna by four youths.

The incident had occurred earlier this week but came to light on Friday when students created ruckus on the streets of Patna demanding justice for the victim.

Sources said that the girl was called by her friend to a house where she was threatened and raped by four youths. The victim in her statement to the police said that the accused also threatened to release the video of the act on the internet if she refused their demands.

However, the police said that two accused in the case have surrendered and hunt is on to arrest others who have gone into hiding.

"Two accused including the victim's friend has surrendered in the court. We have obtained a warrant of arrest for two others who have been absconding after the incident," ASP law and order Swarn Prabhat said.

Police baton charge Patna University students who were protesting against the alleged gang-rape of a college student in Patna on Friday.

— PTI

# Rahul not sorry for rape remark

## Smriti Irani wants Cong leader punished

DC CORRESPONDENT NEW DELHI, DEC. 13

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi's "rape in India" barb at the BJP-led government at the Centre during an election rally in Jharkhand led to vociferous protests in the Lok Sabha on Friday by BJP members who demanded an apology from him, with defence minister Rajnath Singh saying leaders like him have no "moral right" to be in Parliament.

A combative Gandhi hit out at the government and the BJP, saying he will never apologise, and instead demanded an apology from Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The Haryana government transferred Khemka from the science and technology department to the archives department last month.

Speaking at a public meeting in Jharkhand, where Assembly elections are under way, Gandhi said on Thursday that Narendra Modi had promised "Make in India" but "wherever you see now you find 'rape in India'" in different parts of the country.

The BJP seized on his "rape in India" barb to corner the Congress. The protests began as soon as the House assembled. Tearing into the Congress leader, Union minister Smriti Irani said he had "insulted" the women and men of India and claimed his remarks amounted to inviting people to rape women.

Seeking his apology, Irani said that he should be punished. Joining in, defence minister Rajnath Singh attacked Gandhi and said such MPs don't have the moral right to be members of the House. Irani also said Gandhi referred to rape

cases to make a mockery of his political rivals, which she said was condemnable. She said Kanimozhi's defence of Gandhi was "disgusting, to say the least". Earlier in the morning, as the ruckus continued for over half an hour, the Speaker adjourned the proceedings till noon. Question Hour could not be taken up.

More than 30 members from the BJP, including Bhopal MP Pragya Thakur, had stood in the aisle and shouted slogans. Congress members too were in the aisle.

Later, Gandhi told reporters outside Parliament that "as far as their (BJP's) demand for apologising (is concerned), I am never going to apologise to them".

He also clarified his rape statement that triggered the protests by the BJP in both Houses of Parliament, saying he had simply made a point that Modi has been talking about "Made in India" but it has now become "rape in India" as incidents of rapes are being reported in newspapers across the country.

He said the main issue today was that "the BJP, Narendra Modi and Amit Shah have burnt the entire Northeast and this is a tactic used to divert attention" by raising his rape remarks.

The Congress MP from Wayanad said he has a video clip of Narendra Modi in his phone in which he terms Delhi the "rape capital" and he will put the clip on Twitter.

administration, he said he is ready to go to Tihar Jail on 24 hours' notice. Pawan said his father and grandfather were also hangmen. "My grandfather Kallu Jallad and father Babbu Jallad had done this job. I personally helped my grandfather in five executions," Pawan claimed, adding that he accompanied his grandfather to Patiala, Allahabad, Agra and Jaipur in the past to carry out executions.

On preparations before any hanging, he said, "I have to check the strength of the rope and the platform needed for hanging besides attending to the lever used for it." He added that the actual preparation is undertaken two to three hours before an execution early in the morning. Jallad said he feels no pressure as he will be executing those who had carried out the most heinous crimes. — PTI

# Meerut hangman ready to execute Nirbhaya convicts

Lucknow, Dec. 13: The hangman at the Meerut prison on Friday indicated that he is ready to carry out the execution in the Tihar Jail of the men convicted of raping and murdering Nirbhaya in 2012.

Pawan Jallad, who is a third-generation hangman, said his grandfather had carried out the hanging of the two men involved in the assassination of the then prime minister Indira Gandhi besides notorious criminals Ranga and Billa.

"I am ready to carry out the execution if asked by the jail administration," Pawan Jallad said, referring to the authorities at the Meerut jail.

Amid reports about preparations to hang the four men convicted of the rape and murder, the Uttar Pradesh's additional director general (prisons) Anand Kumar confirmed that Delhi's Tihar Jail has sent out a

request for hangmen. "The Tihar Jail had asked Uttar Pradesh to provide two hangmen at short notice but since one of them in Lucknow is unwell, the other one in Meerut has been asked to remain prepared," he said.

Jallad, who is about 55-year-old, however, said he is not aware of the identity of the convicts to be hanged but added that as the Nirbhaya case is in the news right now he might be required for those convicted in that.

Though he has not yet got any instructions from the Meerut jail

## BRIEF

### LS productivity 116 per cent

New Delhi: The Lok Sabha recorded productivity of 116 per cent in the winter session while for Rajya Sabha it was about 100 per cent, Parliamentary affairs minister Pralhad Joshi said on Friday, the last day of the session. During the winter session, 18 bills were introduced in the Lok Sabha. Fourteen bills were passed by the Lower House while 15 bills were passed by Rajya Sabha. Overall, 15 bills were passed by both Houses of Parliament, Joshi said while addressing a press conference after both Houses were adjourned sine die. Deploing the Congress for interrupting LS Speaker Om Birla while he was making concluding remarks on the last day of the session, Joshi said this is perhaps the first time that the Speaker was interrupted during his concluding speech.

### Khemka writes to Haryana CM

Chandigarh: Upset over another transfer — his 53rd in three decades — senior IAS officer Ashok Khemka has written to Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, saying while "pliable" officials flourish the honest are given insignificant roles. The 1991-batch officer has asked Khattar to permit him to seek a meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The Haryana government transferred Khemka from the science and technology department to the archives department last month.

### Being illegally detained: Nalini

Chennai: Nalini Sriharan, a life convict in the Rajiv Gandhi assassination case, has moved the Madras High Court, alleging illegal detention at Vellore prison from September 10, 2018 as the Governor of Tamil Nadu had not acted on the advice of the council of ministers to release her. The petitioner referred to the Supreme Court judgment in the Maru Ram's case (in 1980), in which a constitution bench held that the advice of the state government under Article 161 would be binding on the head of the state. She contended that as the power under Article 161 (power of the Governor to grant pardons and suspend, remit or commute sentences in certain cases), has already been exercised by Tamil Nadu, the Governor has no discretion, but to act on the Sept 9 2018 advice of the council of ministers.

### NO MP HC RELIEF FOR PRAGYA

RABINDRA NATH CHOUDHURY | DC BHOPAL, DEC. 13

Madhya Pradesh high court on Friday dismissed controversial BJP MP Pragya Singh Thakur's plea to junk a petition filed to challenge her election from Bhopal Lok Sabha constituency, dealing a jolt to her.

The single bench of the court headed by Justice Vishal Dhagar rejected Thakur's application questioning maintainability of the election petition filed by a Bhopal-based journalist Rakesh Dixit.

The petition alleged that the saffron party leader had delivered speeches during her campaign on religious lines, thus violating provisions of section 123 of the Representation of People's Act, 1951.

Thakur, however, questioned the maintainability of the petition by expressing doubts over authenticity of video tapes of her alleged speeches submitted by the petitioner as evidence.

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