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Guv hails Bathukamma’s bond with nature



Hyderabad, Oct10 (Open Frame): Governor Shiv Pratap Shukla stated that Bathukamma, the unique floral festival of Telangana, represents the State’s rich cultural heritage, traditions and deep-rooted bond with nature. On the occasion of Engili Pula Bathukamma, marking the beginning of the vibrant floral festival, the Governor extended his warm greetings to all the people of Telangana, particularly women. In a statement on Saturday, the Governor observed that decorating Bathukamma with a variety of flowers and celebrating the festival collectively reflects the spirit of unity, harmony, affection and reverence for nature among the people of Telangana. He wished that the blessings of Goddess Gauramma bring happiness and prosperity to every household and that the cultural splendour of Telangana continues to shine across the world.

Five killed in fresh Manipur clashes

Imphal, Oct10 (Open Frame): Five people, including a woman, were killed in fresh clashes among armed groups in Manipur’s Kamjong and Ukhrul districts, officials said on Saturday. A 22-year-old man and a woman, aged 42, were killed in Kuki-dominated Chassad village, they said. In a separate incident, suspected militants entered Ningchou village, a Tangkhul Naga settlement near the Myanmar border, in Kamjong, and started firing. Two persons, Ngachanso Ningshen, aged 35, and 48-year-old Leishishan Leishadang, were shot dead. In Ukhrul district, a 40-year-old man was shot dead after suspected militants opened fire at his vehicle.



El Nino century’s biggest natural crisis: CM Revanth

Hyderabad, Oct10 (Open Frame): TheTelangana government will soon finalise a “robust action plan” to tackle the El Niño, ostensibly on the lines of the strict measures taken during the Covid pandemic in the state. “Restricted power consumption” has been posited as part of the austerity measures to be included in the El Nino action plan, which will be implemented soon. At a high-level meeting, Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy warned the officials that the state would plunge into a deep crisis if the El Niño crisis is not tackled effectively in the coming days. “We are now beyond any doubt that we are facing the worst natural crisis of over a century. El Nino has left us with a severe situation, and a large rainfall deficit, which will get worse till next year. We will have to come together to face this crisis,” Revanth Reddy said. The state government is prepared to ensure we take care of our people through all means, and beyond, till the end of this crisis, he added. “Let us all be prepared for water and power shortage and voluntarily cut wastage. Together, let us face this crisis,” he appealed to people. The Chief Minister emphasised that the available power should be utilised judiciously as the energy crisis is looming large. Officials were told to ensure prudent use of the available electricity and to



take measures to temporarily postpone electricity-intensive activities wherever possible. “There is a risk of the power crisis intensifying and the government is prepared to incur any necessary expenditure to procure electricity. However, electricity is not available in the market”, the Chief Minister told the officials, while asking them to formulate plans particularly concerning drinking water, irrigation, agriculture, and electricity. Stating that the next eight months were crucial in dealing with the El Niño crisis, the Chief Minister ordered an assessment of the standing crops and directed officials to ensure there is no water shortage until the harvest is completed. Revanth Reddy stressed the need for measures to prevent the water crisis from worsening in the future and insisted

CJP STIR AGAINST CEC IN DELHI

● Over 7,000 protestors detained in crackdown



New Delhi, Oct10 (Open Frame): Anunprecedented security clampdown and the detention of over 7,000 protesters, including CJP leader Abhijit Dipke, four former chief ministers and YouTuber Dhruv Rathee, helped the government thwart a planned mass mobilisation at Jantar Mantar on Saturday to press for the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar. Jantar Mantar, a designated protest site, wore a deserted look throughout the day, with the deployment of over 30,000 security personnel and waves of barricades in Lutyens’ Delhi to keep the protesters away from the area. Opposition parties likened the situation to one worse than the Emergency, with Congress

ED seeks day-to-day trial of Jagan in quid pro quo case

Hyderabad, Oct10 (Open Frame): TheED has moved the Telangana High Court for a speedy, day-to-day trial and the personal appearance of all the accused in prosecution complaints filed by it under the provisions of the PMLA against former Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy and others. Days after the ED served notices to Kadapa MP YS Avinash Reddy asking him to appear before the agency for questioning in an alleged hawala cash transactions in murder of former minister YS Vivekananda Reddy, the ED officials have sought speedy trial process and day-to-day appearance of Jagan Mohan Reddy and other accused in connection with the quid pro quo case which was registered a decade ago. The agency officials filed a fresh petition before the Telangana High Court seeking directions to the AP former chief minister to attend day-to-day proceedings and speedy trial process in the sensational quid pro quo case. The ED stated that the Supreme Court observed that the economic offences constitute a class apart and need to be visited with a different approach. The economic offences having deep rooted conspiracies and involving huge loss of public funds need to be viewed seriously and considered as grave offences affecting the economy of the country as a whole and posing serious threat to the financial health of the country. At least ten years ago,



State govt gives special focus to sports: Bhatti

Hyderabad, Oct10 (Open Frame): TheTelangana government is according special priority to the development of sports and the promotion of athletes across the state, Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka said. He added that the government is committed to providing international-standard sports infrastructure, better training facilities and incentives to young athletes. He recalled that the Chief Minister had announced plans to construct a world-class sports stadium in Hyderabad. Deputy Chief Minister Bhatti Vikramarka, along with

Roads and Buildings Minister Komat ireddy Venkat Reddy, attended the closing ceremony of the Indian Golf Premier League (IGPL) tournament held at the golf course near Golconda Fort on Saturday. He said that the Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy had personally visited a relevant university in South Korea and held discussions with its vice-chancellor and sports officials. The Chief Minister had also requested that a memorandum of understanding (MoU) be signed with the university to facilitate sports training for students from Telangana. This initiative



reflects the government’s commitment to studying international-standard training methods and implementing successful practices in the state, he said.

CJP protest 'flop show', says BJP

New Delhi, Oct10 (Open Frame): The protest meant to take the city “hostage” turned out to be a “flop show”, the BJP said on Saturday, accusing Lok Sabha Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi of spreading anarchy in cahoots with foreign powers, likening him to Mir Jafar. It was a victory of democracy over “mob rule”, BJP leader Sambit Patra said, as hundreds of youths and several politicians who headed to Jantar Mantar were detained by Delhi Police. Addressing a press conference at the party headquarters, Patra called Gandhi a “nalayak” leader, con-



CJP protest 'flop show', says BJP

demning his Friday remarks that President Droupadi Murmu did not deny the INDIA bloc's "vote chori" allegation at a meeting. "What is happening at Jantar Mantar and what is being shown on TV and across various social media handles does not represent the true story of India. India is peaceful, and India is moving forward with good governance," Patra said He alleged an attempt to hold the capital and whole of India hostage through the protests. "There were attempts to incite violence, physical altercations, and street battles here. It remained a flop show. "Democracy triumphed over mobocracy (mob rule). Given the way democracy has asserted itself in Delhi today, and the fact that the entire situation is under control, I wish to reiterate that the anarchists failed, and their show flopped," he added. Patra hit out at Gandhi and likened him to Mir Jafar, a betrayer, citing his recent remarks on Elon Musk's Starlink project in India. He alleged that Gandhi today is "welcoming" Musk to India while his party leaders raised questions on the government's move to give license to Sarlink project in India earlier. Patra also likened other opposition leaders, including those of Left parties and AAP convenor Arvind Kejriwal, to Mir Jafar, alleging that while Gandhi is spreading anarchy in a bid to come to power without winning elections, Left leaders like Vrinda Karat are creating "ruckus" over baseless 'vote chori' allegation because they "run their households from the extortion money collected through Naxalism", which the Modi government has ended. Mir Jafar, who served as a commander under Bengal nawab Siraj ud-Daulah, betrayed the emperor during the Battle of Plassey -- siding with the British East India Company, and paving the way for British rule. Attacking opposition parties, Patra alleged "It is Modi versus the Mir Jafars today." "Let whole of India take note of this attempt to create anarchy on the streets.

TGSRTC union poll results leave Cong shaken, dazed

Hyderabad, Oct10 (Open Frame): The results of the Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TG-SRTC) employees' union elections have reportedly left Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy and Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC) president Bomma Mahesh Kumar Goud unhappy, with the Congress-backed alliance suffering a setback in the October 9 polls. The Congress had reportedly treated the TGSRTC union elections as a matter of prestige and expected a strong performance from its backed alliance comprising the Telan-gana Workers' Union (TWU), Staff and Workers Federation (SWF) and Staff and Workers Union (SWU). Howeverthe CPI-affiliated Employees' Union (EU), along with its allies Telangana Mazdoor Union (TMU) and National Mazdoor Union (NMU), secured sig-nificant support from RTC employees, delivering a setback to the Congress-backed alliance and prompting the ruling party to review the election outcome. According to party sources, the Chief Minister and the TPCC chief have got the reports on the election trends and the reasons behind the lliance's performance. The leadership is reportedly examining organisational weaknesses, inadequate campaigning in several districts and allegations that some Congress leaders supported rival unions. Reports suggest that ministers, MLAs and party in-charges failed to actively participate in the campaign in



several districts. Except in a couple of districts, elected representatives and local Congress leaders were allegedly less involved in the election process than xpected, it is learnt. The alliance's performance in Greater Hyderabad has caused par-ticular concern, as it reportedly won only three of the 26 units. The outcome has prompted the party leadership to examine its coordination with affiliated unions and its engagement with RTC employees. According to the consoli-dated polling figures released for the elections held on October 9, the CPI-affiliated EU secured 18,250 votes at the state level (in Class III) and 13,677 votes at the regional level (in Class VI). The TWU polled 13,670

votes at state level (in Class III), while the SWF, allied with the TWU, secured 13,907 votes at regional level (in Class VI). The reported difference of 4,580 votes in favour of the EU over the TWU has emerged as a significant talking point following the elections. The official results of the TGSRTC union elections will be announced on October 17, following the postal ballot process scheduled for October 14 and 15. However, the postal votes are unlikely to significantly alter the out-come, as the Employees' Union (EU) has reportedly secured a majority of 4,580 votes, while the total number of postal ballots is estimated to be nearly 900 only.

Govt mulling Centre of Excellence for MSMEs in TG: Sridhar Babu

Hyderabad, Oct10 (Open Frame): IT and Industries Minister D Sridhar Babu on Saturday said the state government plans to establish a Centre of Excellence for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). Sridhar Babu, who inaugurated the LUB MSME South India Summit, organised by Laghu Udyog Bharati (Telangana) here, said the proposed centre will support technology adoption, market access and investment linkages, with a focus on promoting products made in Telangana in national and international markets. MSMEs play a vital role in industrial development and support the livelihoods of millions of families, he said. He said the state government had introduced a dedicated MSME policy to strengthen the sector and improve support for small businesses. The government is also planning to organise a monthly MSME Grievance Day to address MSME grievances and facilitate their resolution, he said. The Minister further said steps are being taken to improve industrial estates in Hyderabad and its outskirts. He urged MSMEs to focus on product quality, technology adoption, skill development and production capacity to remain competitive.



Apollo Institute holds graduation ceremony

Hyderabad, Oct10 (Open Frame): Apollo Institute of Medical Sciences and Research (AIMSR), Hyderabad, hosted the Graduation Cer-emony for the students of Undergraduate Batch 2020 and Postgraduate Batch 2022, with 97 Under gradu-ates and 44 Postgraduates receiving their degrees on Saturday. Since its inception in 2012, over 700 students have graduated from The Apollo Medical College, Hyderabad and more than 90% of the Alumni from the college have secured post-graduate seats in different medical colleges of the country and residency pro-grammes abroad. The Dr Pratap C Reddy's Gold Medal for the best out-going Undergraduate dent was awarded to Maya Devi Kocherlakota of UG stu-batch 2020 and Postgradu-ate student was awarded to Dr Samudrala Kavya, De-partment of General Medi-cine. Dr KVR Prasad Me-morial Gold Medal was awarded to Vellore Sarvan Sri Ramya. In his address, renowned cardiologist Dr B Soma Raju told the graduating students that medicine is a privilege, a responsibility and an obli-gation. "Practice with courage, humility and wis-dom," he said. Shiva Rama Krishnan, CEO, Apollo Knowledge, Dr K Manohar, Dean, AIMSR and Aparna Reddy, COO, AIMSR, also addressed the students.

Al extends Riyadh flight cancellations
New Delhi, Oct10 (Open Frame): Air India Express and Air India have extended the can-cellation of flights to and from Riyadh amid the evolving situation in Saudi Arabia, officials said on Saturday. While Air India Express has cancelled the services till October 14, Air India has cancelled the flights till October 15, the offi-cials said. Both airlines on Thursday announced cancelling Riyadh flights till October 10. The offi-cials said the airlines are closely monitoring the situation and assessing the development in the region. Al Express and Al are offering full refunds.

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ed that precautions be taken to ensure not a single drop of water goes waste. The Chief Minister announced that a special meeting with Ministers would be held soon to discuss the impact of the El Niño phenomenon and the consequential rainfall deficit in the state. He stated that key decisions would be taken after deliberating on the situation in areas with low rainfall, the difficulties faced by farmers, and the immediate measures the government needs to implement. The Chief Minster also instructed officials to request the Centre to provide an additional 50 days of employment beyond the standard 125 days under the employment guarantee scheme as the state government is prepared to facilitate these extra workdays. A decision regarding the formation of an all-party committee delegation, if necessary, would be taken after discussing the matter with the Ministers.

Over 7,000 protestors detained in crackdown

leader Rahul Gandhi urging the youth to "keep protesting" and asserting that "we are going to ensure that this regime and the people who have attacked the Constitution are defeated". Several opposition leaders, including former chief ministers Arvind Kejriwal (AAP), Mamata Banerjee (TMC), Pinarayi Vijayan (CPI-M) and Manik Sarkar (CPI-M), were detained from multiple locations across the capital as they tried to join the protest called by the Cockroach Janta Party (CJP). "This has gone beyond an Emergency; it has become a Super Emergency," Trinamool Congress (TMC) chief Banerjee said. Several detained leaders claimed that they were driven around in police vehicles for hours.

ED seeks day-to-day trial of Jagan in quid pro quo case

based on the FIRs registered by the CBI, the ED officials initiated action against YS Jagan Mohan Reddy, and 73 others for investigating government favours to large corporate and individuals and receipt of huge investments into the companies of Jagan Mohan Reddy and his family members as part of quid pro quo arrangements for the favour extended by the Andhra Pradesh government when YS Rajasekhar Reddy was the chief minister. The ED officials found that huge investments were made by companies and individuals such as Aurobindo Pharma Ltd, Hetero Drugs Ltd, Indu Projects Ltd, Indu Techzone Pvt Ltd, Lepakshi Knowledge Hub Pvt Ltd, VANPIC Projects Pvt Ltd, The India Cements Ltd, through subscription of shares at exorbitant rates into the companies such as Bharathi Cement Corporation Ltd, Jagati Publication Ltd, Janani Infrastructure Pvt Ltd, related to YS Jagan Mohan Reddy and his family members. In the latest development, the ED, through the right to speedy trial under Article 21 of the Constitution, approached the court of law seeking to direct the criminal justice system to ensure that proceedings are to be conducted with reasonable expediency. The proceedings have remained pending in YS Jagan Mohan Reddy case nearly ten years and the chronology of the proceedings itself demonstrates the absence of reasonable expedition in the prosecution of the matter. To conduct speedy and day-to-day hearing of the prosecution complaints filed along with discharge petitions in the interest of justice. According to ED, the agency has filed a total nine charge sheets against Jagan Mohan Reddy and others before the CBI court between the period 2016 and 2021. Cognizance has been taken in all the nine charge sheets and pending for hearing of discharge petitions. The pendency of the discharge petitions has kept the prosecution complaint at a preliminary stage and has consequently delayed further progress of the complaint.

Farmers stage sit-in, demand uninterrupted power supply

Farmers staged a protest by staging sit-in in front of a power sub-station in Bel-lampalli on Saturday de-manding uninterrupted sup-ply of power. armers from Sandravelli, Gurijala, Chakepalli, Bud-hakurd, Rallapet, Perkapalli, Dugnepalli, Kannala and some other villages gath-ered and sat down at the substation at Shivalayam. They regretted that they were unable to irrigate standing paddy and other crops due to unscheduled power outages. They lament-ed that the crops were on the verge of getting withered caus-ing losses in farming. The farmers said that they were forced to rely n generators to irrigate the crops by paying out huge rents. They recalled that they raised the crops by availing loans from private moneylenders at exorbitant rates of interest. They urged the officials to ensure qual-ity power supply to agricul-ture needs. They withdrew the protest when the au-thorities assured to address their challenge.



Engilipula Bathukamma Celebrations Held Grandly at Amrutha Residency in Green Park Colony

■ Women Offer Special Prayers for Telangana’s Prosperity Under the Leadership of Samudrala Santhosh and Sainath

LB Nagar, October 10 (Open Frame): The Engilipula Bathukamma celebrations, symbolising the rich culture and traditions of Telangana, were held grandly at Amrutha Residency in Green Park Colony. Organised under the leadership of Samudrala Santhosh and Sainath, the celebrations witnessed the enthusiastic participation of a large number of women, who filled the locality with festive spirit by performing Bathukamma dances. As part of Engilipula Bathukamma, one of the significant celebrations observed with deep devotion by the women of Telangana, participants beautifully arranged Bathukammas using a variety of flowers and performed special prayers. Dressed in traditional attire, the women sang Bathukamma songs and danced rhythmically while clapping their hands, adding a special charm to the festivities. The colony was filled with a festive atmosphere as the women celebrated with great enthusiasm, while traditional Bathukamma songs resonated throughout the surroundings. On the occasion, the women offered special prayers for



abundant rainfall across Telangana, a plentiful harvest, the prosperity and happiness of farmers, and the health, well-being and happiness of all people in the state. Several participants highlighted that Bathukamma, a festival dedicated to nature and the worship of flowers, represents the unity, affection and rich cultural heritage of Telangana women. The celebrations at Amrutha Residency brought immense joy and enthusiasm to

the women. The event also highlighted how festivals help introduce traditional customs to future generations while strengthening friendship, harmony and unity among families and residents of the colony. Samudrala Sushma, Samudrala Jayalakshmi, Padma, Aruna, Lakshmi and others participated in the programme and contributed to the successful conduct of the Bathukamma celebrations.

MANAGE Holds 10th Convocation in Hyderabad

Graduates Emerge as New Professionals in Agri-Business Management

Hyderabad, October 10 (Open Frame): The 10th convocation ceremony for the 2024-26 batch of the Post Graduate Diploma in Management (Agri-Business Management) was held grandly on Saturday at the National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE) in Hyderabad. The event marked another milestone in MANAGE’s distinguished service of over three decades in the field of agricultural management. The ceremony recognised the academic achievements of students and marked the beginning of their professional journeys. Sanjay Kumar Agarwal, IAS, Joint Secretary (Administration and General Category, Extension and Pulses Mission) in the Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare and Director General of MANAGE, Hyderabad, attended the ceremony as the chief guest. On the occasion, he awarded diplomas to students who successfully completed the PGDM (ABM) course. He also presented medals to meritorious students in recognition of their academic excellence and congratulated them on their achievements. Delivering the convocation address, Agarwal acknowledged the students’ accomplishments during their academic



journey and extended his best wishes for their future professional careers. MANAGE plays a key role in developing skilled human resources for the agricultural sector and agri-business manage-



ment. Through this convocation, the graduating students took an important step towards applying their knowledge and skills to the development of the agricultural sector.

When Will Warangal’s New Collectorate Building Be Inaugurated?



Warangal, October 10 (Open Frame Bureau): Residents have expressed dissatisfaction over the delay in inaugurating the new Collectorate building in Warangal district, despite the completion of its construction. Following the reorganisation of districts in Telangana, the Warangal Collectorate has been operating from the Irrigation Department building at Nakkala Gutta in Hanumakonda. The new Collectorate building was constructed with the objective of accommodating offices of all district-level departments under one roof. The initiative was intended to make administrative services more accessible and convenient for people visiting the district headquarters to meet officials and resolve various issues. Having all departmental offices in one location was expected to simplify public access and reduce the difficulties faced by residents in completing official work. However, with the new building yet to be inaugurated, offices of various departments continue to function from different locations. Residents say this arrangement is causing considerable inconvenience to people who have to travel to multiple places to access government services. The new Collectorate building, located at Azam Jahi Grounds in Warangal, has been completed, but its inauguration is still awaited. The continued delay has become a topic of discussion among residents, who are questioning when the facility will finally be opened for public use. District residents are now hoping that the inauguration will take place at least by the Dussehra or Diwali festivals. They have urged the authorities to take the necessary steps to open the new Collectorate building at the earliest and make its services available to the public.

Shivayya Found After a Year MD Azeem’s Voluntary Organisation Extends Support and Shelter



Midjil, October 10 (Open Frame, Mahabubnagar District Bureau): Family members and villagers expressed happiness after Shivayya, who had been missing for a year, was traced. The voluntary organisation run by MD Azeem, based in Kothur, provided shelter and care for Shivayya during his absence. Villagers expressed their gratitude to the organisation for extending support and looking after him. Village Sarpanch Ram Chander Rathod and Deputy Sarpanch Sundar Raj, along with Shivayya’s family members, brought him back to the village. Villagers appreciated the organisation’s humanitarian efforts, stating that extending support to people in distress was commendable.

Inter-State Theft Gang Arrested: DSP Srinivasa Rao

Devarakonda, October 10 (Open Frame): Devarakonda Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) Srinivasa Rao on Saturday announced the arrest and remand of an inter-state theft gang allegedly involved in a series of burglaries and thefts across Nalgonda district. Addressing a press conference in the Devarakonda Sub-Division, DSP Srinivasa Rao said that four accused from Wanaparthy and Hyderabad had been taken into custody. Police seized gold ornaments, mobile phones and motorcycles worth approximately ₹21 lakh from their possession. During the investigation, police found that the accused allegedly conducted reconnaissance before committing thefts. They targeted locked houses and kept watch at crowded bus stands and near banks, particularly observing people withdrawing money, before carrying out their crimes. According to the DSP, nine cases had been registered against the gang at Marriguda, Chinthapalli, Gurrampodu,



Devarakonda, Kanagal and Nakrekal police stations. The arrested accused were produced before a court and subsequently remanded to judicial custody, DSP Srinivasa Rao said. He urged the public to remain vigilant to prevent thefts and advised residents to take necessary precautions before locking their homes and leaving. He also appealed to travellers and commuters to remain alert, particularly in crowded public places and near banks, to avoid becoming victims of theft. Circle Inspectors (CIs), Sub-Inspectors (SIs) and other police personnel participated in the programme.

Allege Deletion of Eligible Voters’ Names Under SIR Process: MLA Sudheer Reddy

LB Nagar, October 10 (Open Frame): Bharat Rashtira Samithi (BRS) leaders staged a protest at LB Nagar crossroads under the leadership of MLA Devireddy Sudheer Reddy, alleging that eligible voters’ names were being deleted during the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls. The leaders demanded transparency and accountability from the Election Commission, urging authorities to protect the voting rights of eligible citizens, particularly those from poor and middle-class families. They also sought clarification on concerns regarding the use of technology and artificial intelligence in electoral processes. Criticising alleged restrictions on freedom of expression and peaceful protests, BRS leaders compared the situation to an undeclared Emergency. They demanded an explanation from Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar and called on Prime Minister Narendra Modi to resign, accepting moral responsibility. The leaders vowed to continue their struggle to protect democratic and constitutional rights. Former



corporators, senior BRS leaders, activists, women and party workers participated in the demonstration.

The word of mouth for 'Comrade Kalyan' is spreading very positively : Actor Sri Vishnu

King of Entertainment' Sri Vishnu's hilarious block-buster 'Comrade Kalyan'. Directed by Janakiram Marella, the film is presented by Kona Venkat and produced by Venkata Krishna Karnati and Seetha Karnati under the banner of Skanda Vahana Motion Pictures LLP. Mahima Nambiar plays the female lead. The film, which was released in theaters worldwide on October 9, is being success-fully screened, receiving a wonderful response from the audience. On this occa-sion, the film team organ-ized a 'Navvula Navratrilu' blockbuster success meet. Hero Sri Vishnu said at the success meet.. Greetings to everyone. The movie 'Comrade Kalyan' is get-ting a very good response. Word of mouth is spread ing very positively. The audience is giving a very good response saying it is a good family entertainer.



Families can watch this movie together happily for the Dussehra festival. This is a movie made with the inten-tion of making you laugh comfortably for two hours. It is very happy to be lucky to be here for Dussehra and everyone has a holiday. All the audi-ence is happily going to the theater and enjoying it. It is getting a very good response. I sincerely hope that it continues like this. A big hero called after watching this movie and praised the movie. He will be in the next events. We are keeping it as a surprise for

now. The Acharya Dalam dialogue is getting a very good response in the theater. When Kona garu mentioned this idea, I told him to ask Chiranjeevi garu. After telling him about this scene, he burst into laughter. He said that this will be the high-light of the entire movie. It is amazing to see the reaction to that scene in the theater, just as he said. We are going to do theater visits for this film. We will plan from tomorrow. Radhika garu's character also got a very wonderful response. Balakrishna garu's fans also received good calls.

Catherine Tresa Alexander To Play Leading Lady In Sundeep Kishan, Ugandhar Muni's Karikaala

Following the block buster success of Shambhala, produc ers Mahidhar Reddy Rajasekhar Annabhimoju are reunit ing with director Ugandhar Muni to create another visual specta-cle. Titled Karikaala, the ambitious project stars Sundeep Kishan in the lead role and is being produced under the Shining Pictures ban ner. The makers have already announced that the film will be released in two chapters, with the first chapter scheduled to hit theatres on July 2, 2027, and the second chapter arriving on October 28, 2027. The posters unveiled so far have heightened curiosity around the film, which is being mounted as a grand socio-fantasy entertainer. Adding to the excitement, the makers have now announced Catherine Tresa Alexander as the female lead opposite Sundeep Kishan. The team welcomed the actress on board with a special poster, marking the first on-screen collaboration between Sundeep Kishan and Catherine Tresa Alexander. The actress is also said to be playing a dis-tinctive role in this ambi-tious venture. Designed as a pan-Indian cinematic experience, Karikaala promises world-class technolo-gy, cutting-edge visual effects, impres-sive production design, and compelling story-telling. The team is striving to deliver a unique socio-fan-tasy experience to audi-ences across India, with the film envisioned as a grand visual extravaganza.



'RANABAALI' WILL OFFER A GREAT CINEMATIC EXPERIENCE AND AN EMOTIONAL HIGH; VIJAY DEVEAKONDA

Ranabaali' is a big-budget pan-India film starring Vijay Deverakonda in the lead role, with Rashmika Mandanna as the female lead. Directed by Rahul Sankrityan, the film is being pro-duced by Naveen Yerneni and Y. Ravi Shankar under the ban-ner of Mythri Movie Makers and present ed by T-Series. The film is gearing up for a grand worldwide theatrical release on October 16, coin-ciding with the Vijayadashami festival. In a recent interview, Vijay Deverakonda shared several highlights about the film. - After 'Pelli Choopulu', this is a film that I am com-fortably pro-moting, checking the final copy two or three times before bring-ing it to audi-ences. There is a lot of CGI work involved in the film, especially in its backdrop. We understood the impor-tance of CGI during pre-production itself, and we delivered all the CGI scenes by February. We expect to receive the censor cer-tificate on Monday. Whatever cer-tificate the film receives, it is fine. We make different films for different reasons, and we made this film with a specific purpose. Recently, while speaking to a senior journalist in Chennai, he told me about the famine that occurred in Bengal. Many people died of hunger. He said that Americans learned about India's condition through some American news-papers and came to know about the ter-rible circumstances created by the British. This report-edly inspired them to begin fighting for their own country's independence. The journalist told me that the suffering of our peo-ple became an inspiration for America's struggle for independ ence. When we learn about the injustices our people faced through out history, we are shocked and wonder whether such terrible things really hap-pened. Some people did not consider us worthy of even the slightest respect. They looked at us as no different from trees and bushes. If we want to think about our country's future, it is impor-tant to understand our history. If we make the right attempt with this film, it could pave the way for more films of this kind. There may be efforts to uncov-er the hidden chap ters of our history through cinema. Otherwise, nobody may come for ward to tell such stories. That is why we made this film with a sense of responsibility and took great care in its making. The British did not come here



intending to settle down perma-nently. They came for trade. Even today, some Indians believe that the British built Indian Railways for our benefit. They did not build rail way lines to make trav-el convenient for us. They built railway connec tions to major ports to transport the wealth they were extracting from our country, including grain, cotton and gold. Between 1876 and 1878, a famine in the Madras Presidency claimed the lives of 8 million people. The actual number may have been even higher. The historical accounts and technologies developed by the West do not always tell us the full truth; they often present histo-ry from their own perspective. In the Travancore region alone, 6.5 million people reportedly died due to famine. If such a terrible famine occurred in the Madras Presidency alone, there were many other famine episodes in places such as Bihar and Bengal that remain less known to us. A famine caused by a lack of rainfall is one thing. In earli er times, local rulers and communi-ty eld-ers would reduce the tax bur den on farmers and the public dur-ing such crises. But after the British arrived, they began collecting dou-ble taxes in famine-stricken regions. Those who could not pay were taken to work on major projects and rail-way lines under

extremely harsh conditions. They were given only a meagre quantity of grain in return. Those who could not work had no option but to starve. Learning about these atrocities in history is deeply dis-tressing. No matter what circumstances we faced, our culture and beliefs kept us united as a society and helped pro-tect us. During famines, people wor shipped village deities and held jatara festivals, believing that the fol-lowing year would be better. At that time, people did not necessarily have the idea of fighting for the country's independence. Instead, they resisted by saying that foreigners had come into their villages, were exer-cising control over them and were hurt-ing their self-respect. Our history has many great warriors who stood up for their people. Many of these war riors died in their thirties. They are the inspi-ration behind 'Ranabaali'. Their stories reached people through folk songs that kept their memories alive, and later, some Indian writers documented them in books. Through 'Ranabaali', we are bringing to the big screen, for audi-ences across the world, the greatness of these warriors, the atrocities our ances-tors endured, the mistakes we made as a society, and how the British managed to take control of this vast country.

Saregama Acquires Audio Rights of Aadi Saikumar's 'Ego Raja' Film Set for Early Release



A fter the blockbuster success of Shambhala, sensa-tional hero Aadi Sai Kumar has been explor-ing new horizons by choosing diverse and dis-tinctive subjects. ith several films. projects in his kitty, the actor is cur-rently keep-ing busy with an exciting lineup of Meanwhile, his upcom-ing film Ego Raja has generated considerable buzz in trade circles. The title and first-look poster, unveiled earlier, positive response from audiences. nces. Produced by G. Suresh the received under a SGS roductions banner, this action entertainer is directed by Guru Saravanan. The film is being made simultane-ously in Telugu and Tamil, marking Aadi Saikumar's debut in the Tamil film industry. he makers have now announced an important update regarding the film's audio rights. The shoot of Ego Raja was recently wrapped up, and the team is currently busy with post-produc tion work. Promising to be a high-voltage action entertainer, the film has attracted the attention of leading music label SaReGaMa, which has acquired its audio rights for a hefty price. The makers are gearing up for a grand release soon. The film also boasts several notable technicians, with Manoj Parama hamsa handling cinematography and Ghibran composing the music. Durairaj is in charge of the art direc-tion. The team is expect-ed to unveil more updates in the coming days, fur-ther raising curiosity and anticipation among audiences