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Kodangal to Get Industrial Hub, Thousands of Jobs: CM Revanth

Hyderabad, Nov 9 (Open Frame): Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy reiterated his commitment to transforming Telangana into the number one developed state in the country. He stated that his government is working with a firm resolve to address existing challenges one by one, while simultaneously repaying the debts incurred by the previous administration. He posed a direct question: why should the Palamuru (Mahabubnagar) region—which suffered severe injustice over the last 70 years—not be developed now that the opportunity has arrived? He firmly pledged to develop the Palamuru region, which has long been plagued by drought and mass migration.

He took a solemn vow—invoking the deity Polepalli Ellamma—that it is his responsibility to ensure that the lands of Kodangal are irrigated with Krishna river water, enabling the cultivation of lush, green crops by December 2028.



In light of the prevailing conditions, including the impact of El Niño, he announced that he would launch a public outreach program called "Praja Balam" (People's Strength) after the upcoming Sankranti festival, through which he will tour every corner of the state. The Chief Minister participated in and addressed an interactive meeting with farmers at the Lagacharla Industrial Park, located in the Kodangal constituency of Vikarabad district. Prior to this, he unveiled foundation stones for various development projects in the constituency, with a total outlay of 9,053 crore.

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Before the event, he offered special prayers to Goddess Polepalli Ellamma at her temple, sought her blessings, and then joined the farmers in a *padyatra* (foot march) to reach the venue of the meeting.

This gathering was attended by a large number of people, including Legislative Assembly Speaker Gaddam Prasad Kumar, Deputy Chief Minister Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, Ministers Damodara Raja Narasimha, Duddilla Sridhar Babu, Jupally Krishna Rao, Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy, Vivek Venkataswamy, Vakiti Srihari, and Mohammad Azharuddin; Advisor Sudarshan Reddy; MLC and PCC President Mahesh Kumar Goud; as well as Members of Parliament, public representatives from the undivided Mahabubnagar district, and local farmers. Speaking at the event, the Chief Minister highlighted the lack of development in the Palamuru (Mahabubnagar) region.

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India ready to help end Ukraine war: PM Modi

New Delhi, Nov 9 (Open Frame): Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday spoke to Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy and offered India's assistance in efforts to secure a peaceful resolution to the ongoing conflict between Russia and Ukraine. PMO sources said Zelenskyy shared his perspective on recent developments in the ongoing conflict. "PM Modi conveyed India's readiness to contribute to peaceful resolution of the conflict and the two leaders discussed ways to further strengthen India-Ukraine bilateral cooperation," official sources said.



> *Earlier, India had formally proposed a comprehensive three-part framework for resolving the Russia-Ukraine conflict. Ukraine Foreign Minister Andrii Sybiha had disclosed the proposal, describing it as the most comprehensive and broad-based among the proposals received so far, including those from the US, Turkey and Egypt.* Prime Minister Narendra Modi

Modi reaffirmed India's human-centric approach and reiterated its consistent position that the conflict should be resolved through dialogue and diplomacy. "He conveyed India's readiness to contribute to all efforts aimed at peaceful resolution of the conflict.

The two leaders also discussed measures to further strengthen India-Ukraine bilateral cooperation in various sectors for the mutual benefit of the two peoples," PMO officials said. After the conversation, PM Modi said, "Glad to have had a productive telephone conversation with President Zelenskyy. We reviewed our wide-ranging bilateral cooperation and agreed to further strengthen India-Ukraine ties. I thanked President Zelenskyy for sharing his perspectives on the ongoing conflict, its humanitarian aspects and various efforts to restore peace.

Shah announces 3-hour action on drug helpline tips



Ahmedabad, Nov 9 (Open Frame): Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Monday set a December 31, 2028 deadline for making Gujarat "drug-free", saying the state should not wait until the Centre's target of eliminating drug abuse in the country by December 31, 2029.

Addressing a public gathering in Ahmedabad, Shah announced that a dedicated helpline, 1033, would become operational in Gujarat from December 1, allowing citizens to anonymously report the sale and consumption of drugs.

He said the identity of informants would be kept confidential and the state government would ensure action on information received through the helpline within three hours. "India has to become drug-free by December 31, 2029. But Gujarat should not wait until 2029. We have to take responsibility for making Gujarat drug-free before December 31, 2028," Shah said.

He appealed to residents to report instances of drug sales in their neighbourhoods and warned those involved in the trade of strict action and imprisonment. Shah said the Union Home Ministry had begun coordinated efforts with the Gujarat Home Department to strengthen the campaign against drugs.

"A joint meeting held on Kali Chaudas discussed the implementation of three new criminal laws and modernisation of the Home Department, besides measures to make Gujarat drug-free," he added. The minister stressed that the fight could not be won by the Centre and state governments alone and required active participation from citizens, teachers and parents.

Referring to the role of schools, Shah said teachers should remain alert to behavioural changes among students, including red eyes, frequent drowsiness and an inability to concentrate. "Teachers should inform parents and encourage them to get children assessed if they notice such signs," he asserted.

He also urged parents to closely monitor their adolescent children and remain attentive to changes in their behaviour. Shah said drug addiction was damaging the physical and mental health of young people, affecting their ability to think, listen, concentrate and make decisions.

He also alleged that money generated through the drug trade was being used to promote terrorism in the country. Calling for a comprehensive response, he said rehabilitation and treatment facilities would also be required for those who had become addicted. He urged families not to hesitate to seek medical help for their children because of social stigma.

Delhi chokes as North grapples with Diwali smog

SEVERAL PUNJAB, HARYANA TOWNS RECORD ALARMING AQI AS POLLUTION GRIPS PLAINS

New Delhi, Nov 9 (Open Frame): Delhi became the epicentre of North India's air emergency as a poisonous cocktail of emissions from vehicles, farm fires and firecrackers contributed to its worst Diwali air quality in the past five years. While the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) data placed Delhi's average air quality index (AQI) in the "very poor" range at 376, real-time readings on AQI. in put it in the "hazardous" category at nearly 1,500.



Air quality remained poor to very poor across Punjab and Haryana. Jalandhar and Mandi Gobindgarh topped Punjab's pollution chart with an AQI of 336 each, while Ludhiana (292), Amritsar (257) and Patiala (221) remained in the "poor" category. In Haryana, Bahadurgarh recorded the highest AQI at 400, followed by Charkhi Dadri (389) and Rohtak (378), CPCB data released on Monday showed.

Stubble burning in Punjab and Haryana has contributed to the seasonal deterioration in air quality, with environmental experts cautioning against viewing farm fires as the sole driver of the winter pollution crisis. They point to a combination of vehicular emissions, industrial pollution and dust that continues to burden the atmosphere throughout the year across the Indo-Gangetic plain.

A CPCB scientist said during summer, the influence of dust increases to almost 31-34 per cent, while its share during winter reduces to 6-15 per cent. "The contribution of combustion sources (vehicles, industry, biomass burning among others) increases during the winter to 85-94 per cent," he said.

Dr Gufran Beig, founder of the System of Air Quality and Weather Forecasting and Research (SAFAR) and Chair Professor at the National Institute of Advanced Studies, said changing weather patterns were increasingly determining the severity and spread of pollution. He said the response needed to move beyond episodic restrictions imposed under the Graded Response Action Plan towards a comprehensive airshed management strategy. Beig said the prevailing northwesterly winds were facilitating the movement of smoke from the major stubble-burning belts of Punjab and Haryana towards Delhi, aggravating the city's pollution levels.

Jawans didn't buy PM's lies: Rahul Gandhi



New Delhi, Nov 9 (Open Frame): Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Monday hit out at Prime Minister Narendra Modi over his "Dimagi Naxals" remarks while addressing CRPF personnel, saying the jawans didn't buy his "lies", and challenged the PM again to debate him on who is anti-national and controlled by foreign forces.

The Leader of Opposition (LoP) in the Lok Sabha said that the PM "called us Naxals" and asserted that after the debate, PM Modi "won't have the guts to stand in front of a single jawan again". In his post on X, addressed to the CRPF personnel, Gandhi said, "Dear @crpfindia, Your faces said it all: you didn't buy the PM's lies." "He called us Naxals. My challenge stands. Let him debate me on who is anti-national and who is controlled by foreign forces. Any time, any place. My guarantee: after the debate, the PM won't have the guts to stand in front of a single jawan again," Gandhi said.

The former Congress chief's remarks came a day after Modi targeted political opponents, saying armed Maoists have been eliminated but "Dimagi Naxals" have infiltrated several political parties and organisations and are instigating people against the Constitution and democracy.

"We must identify and defeat such elements and secure the country," Modi said on Sunday, while celebrating Diwali with security personnel at a CRPF camp in Chhattisgarh's Bastar, continuing his tradition of spending the festival with India's brave men and women in uniform.

The Congress alleged that Prime Minister Modi is clearly distraught, disturbed and desperate, and his "jhola-picking-up time" is fast approaching.

In his Independence Day address in August, Modi had also referred to 'Dimagi Naxals' (people with a Naxal mindset), saying the country succeeded in removing armed Naxalism, but its ideological supporters were seeking opportunities to promote violence.

The opposition parties had accused Modi of using terms like "Dimagi Naxal" to intentionally brand and delegitimise democratic dissent.

Gandhi has been repeatedly daring Prime Minister Modi to debate with him openly. The former Congress president has "guaranteed" that it would be proven in five minutes that the PM was a "traitor".

The BJP leaders have scoffed at Gandhi's challenge, alleging that he has been running away from debates in Parliament.

India, Lebanon seek stronger bilateral cooperation

New Delhi, Nov 8 (Open Frame): Oil marketing company Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) plans to buy some ships of its own for importing crude oil and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) in order to establish a more reliable supply chain and minimise disruptions due to geopolitical uncertainties such as the West Asia conflict.



Indian Oil's Director, Finance, Anuj Jain, said during the company's earnings call last week that tenders for the purchase of a few vessels were issued some months ago. The company currently has three crude oil tankers and nine LPG carriers on time charter, which have helped it manage shipping costs during the West Asia conflict when spot rates for shipping have soared.

Freight rates for LPG have also increased sharply. Spot rates have risen to around $160–$180 per tonne from normal levels of about $40 per tonne. The increase comes amid the increasing attacks on merchant ships passing through the Strait of Hormuz, a waterway through which 20 per cent of the world's energy exports transit during normal times. During the October 31 earnings call, Jain said Indian Oil was working on three areas of its shipping operations.

Congress chief Kharge's Diwali remark draws BJP's ire

New Delhi, Nov 8 (Open Frame): The BJP on Monday came down heavily on Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge for calling Diwali a 'khushiyon ka Eid', and dared him and senior opposition party leader Rahul Gandhi to call Eid a 'Diwali of joy'. The BJP also called the Congress an anti-Sanatani party.



Extending his Diwali greetings over the weekend, Kharge had told reporters that Diwali is a major festival celebrated by everyone in India and described it as 'khushiyon ka Eid'. Reacting to his comments, BJP's national media co-incharge and spokesperson Pradeep Bhandari said the Congress chose vote bank politics even on Diwali with the party president describing Diwali as an "Eid of Happiness". "Recall Sonia Gandhi crying for 'Babri'. In the past when Sanatan was called 'Dengue Malaria Aid' the Congress was silent! Under Gandhi Vadra family Policy of Congress is Anti Sanatan, Anti Hindu," Bhandari said.

BJP's national spokesperson Gaurav Bhatia said in a post on X, "Mr Kharge, what exactly is the problem with calling Diwali, the biggest festival of Hindus, by its own name?" Bhatia said Eid has its own significance, and Diwali has its own sanctity, traditions and identity.

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He noted that despite the arrival of many leaders over the years, the issue of migration has persisted, and the land has remained deprived of successful harvests. The Chief Minister pointed out that projects such as Bhima, Nettempadu, Koilsagar, Jurala, and Palamuru-Rangareddy have failed to make any significant progress, even after decades. He expressed regret that there was no improvement in the situation even following the formation of Telangana. He further alleged that the Makthal–Narayanpet–Kodangal lift irrigation scheme had been neglected for ten years.

He questioned why the region should not pursue development when the opportunity arises. Industries involving investments worth thousands of crores are set to be established in the Kodangal area. He urged the public to extend their support for the development of this region. He stated that the government is moving forward by developing Telangana while simultaneously repaying the debts incurred by the previous administration.

He announced that an industrial zone would be developed in this region, and the establishment of industries would create job and employment opportunities for thousands of young people. He explained that, in addition to the development of roads connecting Rajendranagar to Chevella, Shabad, Parigi, and Kodangal, new industries are also set to be established in these areas.

The Chief Minister once again appealed to the public to understand the impact of the El Niño phenomenon and the current situation. Noting that the lack of rainfall due to El Niño has led to a severe water shortage, he urged farmers to cultivate 'aru-tadi' (low-water-consuming/dry-land) crops.



He called for a collective effort to face the challenges posed by El Niño and announced that he would visit all regions under the "Praja Balam" (People's Strength) initiative following the upcoming Sankranti festival.

Addressing concerns regarding the availability of fine-quality rice (sanna biyyam) under the current circumstances, the Chief Minister assured the public that there is no need to worry, as the government maintains sufficient stocks, even if paddy production falls short in a single season. The Chief Minister said the government was committed to ensuring that the benefits of development reached every section of society, particularly people in backward regions that had long suffered from a lack of infrastructure and employment opportunities. He stressed that industrial growth would help strengthen the local economy and improve living standards.

He said the proposed industrial development would also create opportunities for local businesses, small entrepreneurs and ancillary industries. The government would focus on providing the necessary infrastructure to attract investments and ensure that young people from the region benefited from the emerging employment opportunities.

Revanth Reddy emphasised that irrigation, road connectivity and industrial development were essential for transforming the Palamuru region. He said the government was working with a long-term vision to address the problems faced by farmers and prevent people from migrating to other areas in search of livelihood. He appealed to people to cooperate with the government's development initiatives and remain united in addressing regional challenges. He said the administration would continue working towards fulfilling its promises and building a prosperous Telangana through planned development and public participation.

Telangana to upgrade secondary healthcare system



Hyderabad, Nov 9 (Open Frame): Health Minister Damodara Raja Narasimha stated that the government's objective is to ensure that all types of medical services are accessible to the people within their own districts. He emphasized that Community Health Centres, Area Hospitals, and District Hospitals play a crucial role in achieving this goal. To this end, the government is strengthening these facilities by enhancing infrastructure, providing specialist medical services, ensuring adequate medical staff, and establishing diagnostic facilities. The Minister noted that by bolstering the secondary healthcare system, the need for patients to travel to Hyderabad or hospitals attached to medical colleges for minor health issues will be significantly reduced.

The Minister made these remarks on Monday during a high-level review meeting held at the Secretariat regarding the reorganization of the Directorate of Secondary Health Care (Telangana Vaidya Vidhana Parishad - TVVP). He reviewed the proposals outlined in a study report prepared by the Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI) concerning the reorganization of the Directorate. The Minister further highlighted that 1,616 specialist doctors have recently been recruited for hospitals under the purview of the Directorate of Secondary Health Care, and that the necessary number of nurses and technicians have also been appointed. To ensure that the public truly benefits from the government's recent recruitment drives, it is essential to utilize the available staff in every hospital effectively.

Instructions have been issued to conduct a comprehensive, hospital-wise review to assess several key areas: which specialist medical services are currently available; which departments require additional doctors, nursing staff, or paramedical personnel.

; and what medical equipment or diagnostic facilities still need to be provided. It was emphasized that a situation where medical services cannot be delivered—despite the presence of specialist doctors—due to a lack of necessary equipment or support staff, must not be allowed to persist.

Hyderabad clinic's 'no refund' policy lands it in trouble

Hyderabad, Nov 9 (Open Frame): A Hyderabad-based clinic has been asked to refund Rs 40,000 and pay Rs 25,000 for other expenses and mental agony to a customer after he was unable to undergo surgery due to health problems. The order was passed by the Hyderabad District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission-III against VRS Hair Creations Private Limited, Dilsukhnagar. The customer, Mohammed Sirajuddin from Nampally, had approached the clinic for a hair transplant and deposited Rs 40,000 in instalments.

During the medical examination required before the procedure, his blood reports showed abnormally high thyroid levels. Following the test results, doctors decided that the surgery should be postponed. Even later, his condition did not improve sufficiently to make the procedure possible. With surgery no longer an option, Sirajuddin sought the return of the Rs 40,000 paid to the clinic. Relying on its invoice policy that classified all payments as non-refundable, the clinic declined to reimburse him.

Left with no other option, Sirajuddin approached the Hyderabad consumer commission against the clinic. The commission held that the clinic's decision to retain the payment despite the customer's medical inability to undergo surgery was an unfair trade practice. The bench, which was headed by President Ramgopal Reddy and member Shyamala, ordered the clinic to return Rs 40,000 along with 9 per cent interest.

Owaisi, hotel owners meet TG SAFE Commissioner



Hyderabad, Nov 9 (Way to News): Members of the Twin Cities Hotel Owners Association along with Hyderabad Lok Sabha Member of Parliament (MP) Asaduddin Owaisi met the commissioner of the Telangana Standards Authority for Food and Essential Drugs (TG SAFE) on Monday, November 9, over the recent suspension of FSSAI licenses (leading to closures) of hotels for violation of food safety norms.

Representatives from the oldest and popular joins like Hotel Nayaab, Grand Hotel, Imperial Hotel etc were present at the meeting with TG SAFE commissioner Avinash Mohanty. Owaisi, on behalf of the hotel owners held the meeting wherein he said that the commissioner was requested to first issue notices and then give time to hotels in case of violations instead of simply closing the establishments directly.

The meeting comes just days after TG SAFE officials raided and suspended the FSSAI licenses of eight hotels including Nayaab on October 31. Officials inspected 22 restaurants and found unhygienic kitchens, cockroach and housefly infestations, spoiled vegetables, fungal contamination, expired food products and improper storage of raw and cooked food.

Several establishments were also found using cooking oil repeatedly, while food handlers were working without hairnets and aprons.Show-cause notices were issued to eight establishments, including Taj Falaknuma Palace at Engine Bowli, Hotel Sabzi at Charminar, Pista House at Shah Ali Banda, Sweekar Hotel at Santosh Nagar, Mandi@36 Arabian Kitchen at Charminar, Golconda Hotel and Resorts at Masab Tank, Imperial Multicuisine Restaurant at Tolichowki and Taiba Bakery at Bazarghat.

After the meeting, Owaisi, speaking to the media, said, "We told the commissioner that what they are doing is right, but to also first issue notices before shutting down a place immediately. Many of the affected places are old establishments and closures will affect their reputations. In one case we pointed out that the six points mentioned for closure was not even cited, so he called officers to check the issue."

The Hyderabad Lok Sabha MP also stated that cleanliness has to be maintained and that customers should get safe food. He added that all the hotel owners have said they will follow the food safety regulations and have hence requested the commissioner first to issue a notice and then give them a week to comply. Owaisi added that another meeting will be held in the next eight to 10 days which will also be attended by the TG SAFE officials.

Sridhar Babu Opens New AI Engineering Centre in Hyderabad

Hyderabad, Nov 9 (Open Frame): Telangana's IT Minister D. Sridhar Babu opened Simplify Alpha's new AI Innovation and Engineering Centre in Hyderabad on Monday, November 9.

Simplify Alpha is a global healthcare technology company that specialises in AI-powered automation and Solutions as a Service (SolaaS) for US health insurance organisations. Joining Babu at the inauguration were Venkatgiri Vandali, co-founder and CEO of Simplify Alpha, and other members of the senior leadership team at its HITEC City facility.

Taking to X, the IT minister wrote, "Inaugurated Simplify Alpha's new Hyderabad office today. Happy to welcome the company to Telangana." He said Simplify Alpha combines its expertise in healthcare payer operations with AI



and automation to make processes simpler and more efficient. On the government's support for the company, the minister said, "We are always ready to listen, work together and support Simplify Alpha as it grows in Telangana. Congratulations and best wishes to the entire Simplify Alpha team." The minister said, "In the last two and a half years, we have brought in over 160 Global Innovation Centres, strengthening Hyderabad's position as a hub for global innovation and deep domain expertise. We welcome Simplify Alpha to this ecosystem. Partnerships like this create high-value jobs, build local expertise and help us develop solutions for the world." Simplify Alpha serves as the dedicated delivery wing of the Simplify Group, functioning alongside sister platform companies such as Simplify Healthcare and SimplifyX.

As shared on its website, the company has begun recruiting for its new centre, seeking specialised tech professionals, including Azure solutions architects, AI engineers, and technical leads, to scale its operations in Hyderabad. According to its press note, the company plans to scale headcount to 1,000 professionals over the next two years.

Godavari Projects to Ease Hyderabad's Drinking Water Woes

Hyderabad, Nov 9 (Open Frame): The construction of Godavari Phase II and III projects, which is expected to reduce Hyderabad's drinking water woes, is progressing at a brisk pace.

On Monday, November 9, the Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (HMWSSB) Managing Director K Ashok Reddy reviewed the works and enquired about the status of the tunnel construction, tunnel excavation, water treatment plant and membrane bioreactor reservoir works.

He directed officials to complete it by October 2027. Ashok Reddy also inspected the construction of an 80-million-litre capacity membrane bioreactor reservoir and the 1,170 million litres per day (MLD) capacity water



treatment plant at Ghanpur, and asked officials to speed up the work. He has asked them to deploy additional machinery and labour teams if needed.

The Godavari Phase II and III projects are estimated at about Rs 7,360 crore. It aims to bring 20 TMC (thousand million cubic feet) of Godavari water from Mallannasagar to Hyderabad. Of this, 17.5 TMC will be allocated for the city's drinking water needs, and the remaining 2.5 TMC will be used for the rejuvenation of the Osman Sagar and Himayat Sagar reservoirs and the Musi River.

Self-Enumeration for Census 2027 from January 10

Hyderabad, Nov 9 (Open Frame): The state government has announced January 25 to February 28 as the period for conducting the second phase of the Census 2027 in Telangana, with a revisional round from March 1 to 5. According to a Government Order (GO) issued by the General Administration Department on Monday, November 9, citizens can do self-enumeration from January 10 to 24.

After that, the door-to-door population enumeration will begin an official will collect personal, demographic, and socio-economic data like caste and religion. The Union Ministry of Home Affairs issued the notification for the second phase of the 2027 census on October 30. All states will undergo the process except Manipur, Goa, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Uttarakhand, Ladakh, and some



parts of Himachal Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir.

The second phase of Census 2027 will focus on collecting detailed information about the population, including demographic, social and economic characteristics of households. Enumerators will visit every household to record the required details, while citizens will also have the option of completing the self-enumeration process online before the door-to-door exercise begins. Officials said the self-enumeration facility is intended to make the census process more convenient and ensure greater public participation. Citizens will be able to submit their household details during the designated January 10–24 window, after which the information will be verified during the field enumeration.

The door-to-door exercise will be conducted by trained enumerators appointed by the government. They will visit residential premises across urban and rural areas and collect information from households using the prescribed census schedules. Residents are expected to cooperate with the officials and provide accurate information to ensure reliable population data. The collection of caste-related information is expected to be an important aspect of the second phase. The exercise will provide the government with comprehensive data on the social composition of the population, which could help in planning welfare programmes and development initiatives.

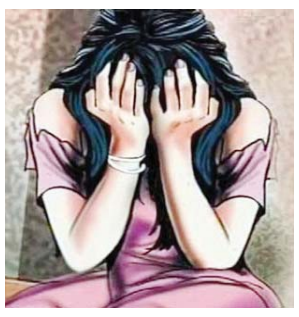
The information gathered through the census will serve as an important basis for policy formulation, allocation of resources and implementation of government schemes. Population data will also help authorities assess requirements relating to housing, education, healthcare, employment, infrastructure and other essential public services. The revisional round scheduled from March 1 to 5 will provide an opportunity to address omissions and discrepancies identified during the enumeration process. Officials are expected to review the collected information and ensure that eligible households and individuals are not left out.

The state administration is expected to coordinate with district collectors, municipal authorities and other departments to ensure the smooth conduct of the exercise. Necessary arrangements, including deployment of enumerators, training, public awareness campaigns and monitoring mechanisms, will be taken up ahead of the scheduled dates.

PJTSAU Faculty Rally Behind Assistant Professor Over Harassment Claims

Hyderabad, Nov 9 (Open Frame): The Telangana State Commission for Women (TGSCW), on Monday, November 9, summoned Aldas Janaiah, the Vice-Chancellor of Professor Jayashankar Telangana Agricultural University over sexual and mental harassment allegations levelled by an assistant professor. The assistant professor alleged there has been no action against him despite filing a complaint with the police and the Women Safety Department. At a press conference at the Hyderabad Press Club on Saturday, November 7, she said that the harassment began when she approached him to seek an extension of her PhD.

The Vice-Chancellor acted in ways that made her feel extremely uncomfortable.



"If you had met 20 years earlier, I would have married you," she said he told her, adding that he pressured her to leave her husband, who is currently working abroad.

When she refused his advances, she was transferred to Nizamabad, which she alleges came out of spite. "I will not stoop low for favours. I would not sacrifice my self-respect for a transfer," the assistant professor said, her voice choking with emotion. She told the press that she hesitated at first to talk about the mental and sexual harassment.

Vice Chancellor Aldas Janaiah will appear before the Telangana State Commission for Women on Thursday, November 12. The assistant professor has received immense support from her female and male colleagues, who have expressed concern and anger over the management's handling of the case. One of the protestors said that a few non-teaching and teaching staff have been suspended. "Just because he (Vice-Chancellor) is in a higher position, there is no action. The state government should take cognisance of this serious matter," the protesting faculty member said.

Tortuous journey of India-China talks

Manish Tewari



TWENTY-FIVE rounds, 23 years, one agreement, and even that has been subject to constant revision through reinterpretation. India counts the rounds held; China counts the ridgelines held.

Conceived in 2003 under then Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee to bypass diplomatic hair-splitting and forge a high-level political settlement, the Special Representatives framework has slowly degenerated into a procedural exercise in crisis management.

Its sole structural milestone, the April 11, 2005, Agreement on Political Parameters and Guiding Principles, also essentially lies hollowed out. Article VII of this agreement was intended to protect "settled populations" — safeguarding territories like Tawang. New Delhi read the compact as "Tawang secured". Beijing has spent two decades unreading it. Finally, in March 2017, then Chinese Special Representative Dai Bingguo declared that Indian concessions in the east were key to Chinese "accommodation" elsewhere. When the two current Special Representatives met in Beijing on August 25 for the 25th round of the dialogue, the mechanism turned 23 with not even a kilometre of the boundary settled.

Since the April-June 2020 Chinese intrusions across the Line of Actual Control (LAC), the mandate has inverted: India finds itself negotiating a tactical disengagement and friction-point buffer zones rather than strategic boundary demarcation, effectively trading established patrolling rights to preserve a fragile peace.

The eight points of consensus and outcomes arrived at on August 25 read more like a crisis management mechanism than a boundary dispute settlement process. Even the terms of reference of the Expert Group on Boundary Delimitation and the Working Group on Border Management under the Working Mechanism for Consultation and Coordination (WMCC) on India-China Border Affairs are yet to be mutually settled. Conversely, the promised "Early Harvest" in sector-wise delimitation, hyped after the 24th round on August 19, 2025, has been given a quiet burial in the latest pronouncements, leaving behind in concrete terms only a scheduled 26th round in India next year.

A device created to deliver a settlement now exists to administer its absence. Is the mechanism working, or is it merely meeting?

The western sector is the oldest wound. The Treaty of Chushul (1842) between the Dogra Durbar, Lhasa, and the Qing dynasty pledged old, established frontiers without defining one. WH Johnson's 1865 survey placed Aksai Chin within Kashmir. Claude MacDonald's note of March 14, 1899, to the Tsungli Yamen offered China most of the Aksai Chin plains. Peking never replied. The silence was weaponised. China drove its Xinjiang-Tibet highway through Aksai Chin, announcing it in 1957. Ten Indian policemen were killed in a firefight at Kongka Pass on October 21, 1959, while roughly 38,000 square km of Ladakh came under unlawful Chinese occupation. Another 5,180 square km of the Shaksgam valley, illegitimately occupied by Pakistan, was signed away on March 2, 1963, to China. All of this territory rightfully belongs to India.

The eastern sector is the newest claim. The McMahon Line was delineated in notes exchanged by Henry McMahon and Lonchen Shatra at Simla on March 24-25, 1914. China's plenipotentiary initialled the draft Convention on April 27, but Peking repudiated it. Britain and Tibet signed a revised version of the Convention on July 3, proceeding without China.

On that repudiation rests Beijing's claim to roughly 90,000 square km of Arunachal Pradesh. Why Tawang, above all? Because the sixth Dalai Lama was born at Urgeling near Tawang in 1683, and whoever holds Tawang holds a veto over the politics of reincarnation, the only legitimising currency of Chinese rule in Tibet. The claim is theological, but the gains sought are territorial. The middle sector, some 2,000 square km from Barahoti to Shipki La, is the only one whose maps were exchanged, in 2000-01, under Article X of the Confidence Building Measures Agreement of November 29, 1996, binding both sides to "speed up the process of clarification and confirmation" of the LAC. When western sector maps were shown in June 2002 during the 14th Joint Working Group meeting, the Chinese side withdrew them within minutes, and the exercise has been dead since then. It was never attempted in the case of the eastern sector.

Why does Beijing refuse to clarify the LAC? Because cartographic ambiguity is a standing licence for coercion, and every unclarified kilometre is a future salami slice. Then Chinese Premier Zhou Enlai carried the original bargain to Delhi in April 1960: China would recognise the McMahon Line in the east if India surrendered its claim over Aksai Chin in the west. India declined. The Officials' Report of February 1961 recorded two irreconcilable cases, and the Lok Sabha resolution of November 14, 1962, vowed to recover every inch of "the sacred soil of India," a parliamentary lock no government has dared to pick since then.

The case for jurists as judges

Sanjay Hegde



IN the autumn of 1947, a quiet Indian civil servant went choosing ideas for a Constitution. BN Rau, constitutional adviser to the Constituent Assembly, sailed to America. In Washington, he called on Justice Felix Frankfurter, who told him to keep "due process of law" out of the Indian Constitution. Rau carried the warning home. Article 21 speaks instead of procedure established by law. We remember the advice. We have forgotten what the man himself was. Frankfurter taught at Harvard from 1914 to 1939, and had never been a judge of anything when US President Franklin D Roosevelt sent him to the highest court in America. The man India's constitutional adviser consulted about a Supreme Court was a law professor.

Two years later, the Constituent Assembly wrote him into our text without knowing it. On May 24, 1949, HV Kamath moved an amendment to draft Article 103, to give the President a third door. Ambedkar accepted it, but he was unsure whether "distinguished" or "eminent" was the better word, and he left the choice to the Drafting Committee. The Committee kept "distinguished". That clause is now Article 124(3)(c). A citizen who is, in the President's opinion, a distinguished jurist may be appointed to the Supreme Court. However, nobody has ever been so appointed.

Justice Ujjal Bhuyan of the Supreme Court said so recently at the convocation of National Law University, Delhi. He called it one of our Constitution's unused mandates. Either the Collegium finds our academia too shallow, he said, or nobody has tried. He dismissed as shallow the objection that scholars lack practical experience.

We filled the Court from two pools instead: High Court judges by seniority, and advocates from the Bar. That second route opened later. SM Sikri, Advocate General of Punjab, came directly from the Bar in February 1964. Subimal Chandra Roy followed in 1971, then Kuldip Singh, Santosh Hegde, Rohinton Nariman, UU Lalit, L Nageswara Rao, Indu Malhotra, PS Narasimha and KV Viswanathan. Justice V Mohana, sworn in this June, is the eleventh. Eleven in seventy-six years. Everyone else climbed the High Court ladder.

The ladder has always had loose rungs for the right person. TL Venkatarama Aiyar sat on the Madras High Court for under three years. He retired on his sixtieth birthday in 1953 and joined the Supreme Court six weeks later, as an advocate of long standing and not a judge of five years. VR Krishna Iyer left the Kerala High Court after three years for the Law Commission, and reached the Supreme Court from there in 1973. Both entered through clause (b), as appointments of a mind rather than of a queue. When the appointing power wanted a particular intelligence, it found a door. It has never wanted a professor.

It came close once. In the Justice PN Bhagwati years (Chief Justice of India in 1985-86), an American university addressed Prof Upendra Baxi as "Judge Baxi" in a seminar invitation. Justice Bhagwati had told them that Baxi would be on the Court within four months. Baxi's verdict, decades later, was drier — Presidents had looked for a jurist through a telescope and found none, so jurists must not exist.

Four things keep the clause asleep. There is no nursery: Article 217 has no jurist clause, so nobody can be tried out on a High Court first. There is no mechanism: the Memorandum of Procedure knows only how to find judges and advocates. There is the arithmetic: a jurist appointed young sits long and disturbs the succession to the office of Chief Justice. And there is our own rulebook. We forbid our academics the courtroom, then disqualify them for never having been in one.

Age narrows the field cruelly. Judges retire at sixty-five, and the Court in practice takes nobody under fifty-five. Let's discuss a few names only for illustration, and I apologise to the many I have left out. The argument is for the search and not for these names alone. Upendra Baxi is eighty-seven. G Mohan Gopal and Amita Dhanda are also past the line. We simply lost them. At the other end stand scholars still too young. Sudhir Krishnaswamy, who wrote the standard study of the Basic Structure Doctrine, is fifty-one. Aparna Chandra, Anup Surendranath and Tarunabh Khaitan, who work on the Court, the death penalty and discrimination law, are still younger. Their turn may come later, if at all, in the next decade.

One name sits inside the window between. Faizan Mustafa is nearly sixty. He has taught constitutional law for three decades and has built three national law universities. He would sit on the Court for around five years. That is the answer to the objection nobody states aloud. A jurist appointed at sixty-two can never enter the line for Chief Justice. A Collegium wishing to test the clause cheaply could begin here. In the late 1980s, the first woman judge of the Supreme Court, Justice Fathima Beevi, was similarly appointed for a term of less than three years.

The case for activating the distinguished jurist clause is not that scholars judge better. They may or may not. They judge differently. Frankfurter the professor became the great preacher of restraint. William O Douglas came from Yale and became the least restrained judge of his century. Lord Burrows moved from the Oxford chair of English law to the UK's Supreme Court in 2020, after twenty years of part-time judging.

People must see themselves in the AI revolution

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President Donald Trump's historic visit to Saudi Arabia was not merely another high-profile diplomatic stop. It was a signal, one that reverberates far beyond ceremonial pageantry or economic accords. With a sweeping agenda anchored in regional security and technological advancement, the visit marked a profound turning point: the introduction of artificial intelligence as a centerpiece in reimagining international alliances and national futures. As Saudi Arabia deepens its strategic commitment to AI, the spotlight now turns to a less discussed — yet far more consequential — question: Who truly owns the AI revolution? For too long, the narrative has belonged to technologists. From Silicon Valley labs to national AI strategies, the story of AI has been told in the language of algorithms, architectures, and compute. And while the technical infrastructure is essential, we argue that such a narrow view of AI is not only incomplete, it is dangerous.

When the American Institute of Artificial Intelligence and Quantum was launched in the US in 2016, the institutional landscape for AI was highly specialized. Data scientists, computer engineers, and mathematicians dominated the discourse. Policymakers and business leaders, overwhelmed by complexity, often stood at a distance. AI was regarded as something technical — a toolset, a model, an optimization system. The same pattern is now emerging in Saudi Arabia and across the Gulf. Government agencies are in search of use cases. Consultants are offering solutions in search of problems. Infrastructure projects are underway to create sovereign large language models and national AI platforms. In these efforts, AI is often reduced to a software engineering challenge — or worse, a procurement exercise.

But this lens fails to capture the essence of the revolution underway. What's at stake is not simply how nations compute. It's how they think, organize, and act in a new age of machine cognition. We've long argued that AI cannot — and must not — be the exclusive domain of technologists. A true revolution occurs only when the masses engage. Just as the internet went mainstream not through protocols and standards, but through wide-scale adoption and imaginative use, AI must be demystified and integrated into the fabric of society.

It is neither feasible nor necessary to turn an entire nation into data scientists. We need a nation of informed leaders, innovators, teachers, managers, and citizens who can speak the language of AI, not in code, but in context. This conviction led AIAIQ to become the world's first applied AI institute focused not on producing more PhDs, but on educating professionals across sectors — from finance and healthcare to logistics and public service. Our mission was clear: to build a movement of AI adoption engineering, centered on human understanding, social responsibility, and economic impact.

History has shown that every technological revolution requires more than invention. It requires meaning. When the automobile first arrived in America, it was met with skepticism. Roads were unprepared. Public opinion was divided. Without storytelling, explanation, and cultural adaptation, the car might have remained a niche novelty.

AI is no different, but the stakes are higher. Unlike past revolutions, AI directly threatens to reshape or eliminate jobs across virtually all sectors. It raises moral questions about decision-making, power, privacy, and the nature of intelligence itself. Without a serious effort to prepare populations, the result will be confusion, fear, and backlash. Adoption is not just about teaching Python or TensorFlow. It is about building cognitive readiness in society — a collective ability to make sense of AI as a force that operates both with us and around us.

AIAIQ's work in the US, and now in the Kingdom, reflects this ethos. We don't approach AI as a product to be sold. We approach it as a paradigm to be understood, negotiated, and lived. Over nearly a decade of pioneering applied AI education, we've identified four essential elements for ensuring that technological revolutions — especially this one — take root meaningfully within society. People need help interpreting what AI actually is and how it is changing their world. It's not just a black box; it's a new kind of collaborator, a new model of thought.

Technologies cannot remain in labs or behind firewalls. They must be translated into the language and workflow of everyday people. Mass understanding is more vital than mass compute. Every revolution carries moral implications. If not carefully navigated, AI can create a deep dissonance between traditional societal values and new forms of digital governance. Above all, people must see themselves in the revolution. They must feel empowered to participate, to lead, and to shape what comes next.

Much has been made of "sovereign AI" — the ambition of nations to build homegrown LLMs and nationalized data infrastructure. Several Gulf nations are investing heavily in this vision. And yet, we caution: True sovereignty is not measured by the size of your datacenter, but by the sophistication of your human capital. You can localize your AI stack, but unless you cultivate a generation of researchers, engineers, business innovators, and public thinkers, your systems will be technologically impressive but strategically hollow. Sovereignty is about stewardship. That requires education, experimentation, and the freedom to adapt. As Saudi Arabia targets massive economic transformation, the challenge is not just to build smart systems, but to build a smart society that knows what to do with them. President Trump's visit, and the unprecedented alignment between American and Saudi priorities around AI, is not just symbolic. It marks a deeper shift in how global partnerships are defined. Oil once defined alliances. Now, intelligence — both human and machine — will. For the first time, nations are collaborating not to dominate territory, but to co-develop cognition. The tools may be digital, but the outcome will be profoundly human.

The alignment between global and local initiatives in Saudi Arabia represents a shared belief that the future is not only coded in silicon but shaped in classrooms, boardrooms, war rooms, and living rooms.

The AI revolution is coming. But it must belong to the people. Otherwise, it will never become a revolution. The success of Saudi Arabia's AI ambitions will ultimately depend on how effectively the technology is integrated into everyday economic and social activities. Beyond investments in data centres and advanced computing infrastructure, the country will need to encourage businesses, educational institutions and government departments to identify practical applications that improve productivity, strengthen public services and create new opportunities.

Education will therefore remain central to the Kingdom's digital transformation. Universities, schools and professional training institutions must prepare students and working professionals to understand AI, assess its limitations and use it responsibly. Such an approach would help bridge the gap between rapid technological development and the ability of society to benefit from it.

Businesses also have a significant role to play in making AI adoption meaningful. Small and medium-sized enterprises, in particular, should be encouraged to explore affordable AI solutions that can improve operations, customer services and decision-making. Wider access to these technologies could ensure that the benefits of the AI revolution are not confined to large corporations and technology companies.

At the same time, governments must establish clear frameworks to address concerns relating to data privacy, cybersecurity, accountability and the ethical use of AI. Public confidence will be essential for successful adoption, particularly as automated systems increasingly influence decisions in healthcare, education, finance and public administration. Transparent regulations and responsible institutional practices can help ensure that innovation develops alongside public trust.

International cooperation will also shape the next phase of AI development. Partnerships between countries can facilitate the exchange of knowledge, research capabilities, technical expertise and best practices. The growing cooperation between the United States and Saudi Arabia could provide opportunities to develop new models of collaboration that combine technological innovation with education, investment and human resource development.

Ultimately, the measure of an AI-driven economy will not be the number of advanced systems it develops or the scale of its computing infrastructure, but the improvements it brings to people's lives. Saudi Arabia's ambitions offer an opportunity to demonstrate that technological progress and human development must advance together.



Pawan Kalyan, Wife Anna Part Ways After 13 Years



Jana Sena Party chief and Andhra Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan and his wife, Anna Konidala, have separated, bringing down the curtain on a marriage that lasted over 13 years. The announcement came on Monday, November 9, through a brief joint statement in which the two described the decision as mutual. The separation, they said, was reached with understanding and respect for each other. Though the marriage was over, they would continue as friends and remain committed to raising their two children together, the couple said. The children's "well-being and happiness will always remain our shared priority," the couple said.

They requested privacy as the family adjusts and thanked those who had supported them. The statement was short on detail. It offered no reason for the split and said nothing on whether divorce proceedings had begun or how custody of the children would be arranged. The 55-year-old actor-politician first met Anna, a Russian national who had worked as a model and actor, in 2011, during the shooting of the Telugu film "Teen Maar." They tied the knot on September 30, 2013. Their daughter is Polena Anjana Pawanova and their son is Mark Shankar Pawanovich.

Anna rarely made public appearances over the years, even as her husband's career shifted from the big screen to state politics. She did, however, join him in celebrating the alliance's 2024 Assembly poll win. He travelled to Singapore to attend her convocation at the National University of Singapore, where she completed a master's degree. In July, she wrote on Instagram asking the public to address her as Anna Konidala rather than Anna Lezhneva, explaining that she had taken her husband's surname at the time of their 2013 marriage.

Talk of trouble in the marriage first surfaced in July 2023. Anna's absence from a string of family events, among them the naming ceremony of Ram Charan's daughter and Varun Tej's engagement, had set off speculation. The Jana Sena Party moved quickly to deny the rumours. It shared a picture of the couple at a puja in their Hyderabad home, held after the first leg of his Varahi Yatra. Pawan Kalyan has been married twice before. His first marriage, to Nandini in May 1997, ended in a divorce granted by the Visakhapatnam family court in 2008.

His second, to actor Renu Desai, also ended in divorce. The two have two children. He launched the Jana Sena Party in 2014. He took over as Andhra Pradesh's Deputy Chief Minister in June 2024.

Anirudh-Kavya Maran wedding begins: Celebs fly to Greece

The much-talked-about wedding of music composer Anirudh Ravichander and Sunrisers Hyderabad CEO Kavya Maran is creating considerable buzz, with preparations reportedly underway for a grand destination celebration in Greece which is scheduled for November 10 and 11, 2026, with a grand reception to follow in Chennai on November 21, 2026. As the big day approaches, several prominent personalities from the worlds of cinema, politics and business are expected to attend the festivities.

Adding to the excitement, superstar Rajinikanth, along with his daughter Aishwarya Rajinikanth, was recently spotted at Chennai airport as he reportedly headed to Greece for the wedding. Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin and Deputy Chief Minister Udhayanidhi Stalin were also spotted at the airport with their family members. The guests are reportedly travelling via Dubai and are expected to return to Chennai on November 13. Rajinikanth's presence at the wedding comes as no surprise, given his close family connection with Anirudh. The music composer is the superstar's nephew. Anirudh's father, actor Ravi Raghavendra, is married to Lakshmi, who is the sister of Rajinikanth's wife, Latha Rajinikanth. Apart from their family bond, the two share a successful professional association. Anirudh has composed music for several Rajinikanth films, including Petta, Darbar, Jailer, Vettaiyan and Jailer 2. His energetic track 'Hukum' from Jailer became a massive chartbuster and remains one of the popular



songs associated with the superstar. MK Stalin and Udhayanidhi Stalin's connection with Kavya Maran

The presence of MK Stalin and Udhayanidhi Stalin also has a family connection. Kavya is the daughter of Sun Group chairman Kalanithi Maran and Kavery Maran. The Maran and Karunanidhi families share longstanding family ties, with Kalanithi Maran and MK Stalin being cousins. This makes Stalin Kavya's uncle, while Udhayanidhi is her cousin. Kavya is a familiar face in the cricketing world as the CEO of Sunrisers Hyderabad and is also associated with the Sun TV Network. Her enthusiastic reactions during IPL matches and player auctions have earned her considerable popularity among cricket fans.

While the Greece wedding is reportedly expected to be an intimate affair attended by close friends and family, a grand reception is scheduled to take place in Chennai on November 21.

The reception date came into focus after MK Stalin shared the wedding invitation. Kalanithi Maran and Kavery Maran have also personally invited several prominent personalities, including Telangana Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy.

According to reports, the Chennai reception is expected to witness the presence of several high-profile guests from politics, cinema, business and cricket. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Congress leaders Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister C Joseph Vijay, actor Ajith Kumar and several other prominent personalities are among those expected to attend. Although the families have not officially disclosed all the details of the Greece celebrations, the wedding and Chennai reception have already become one of the most talked-about upcoming celebrity events.

Kamal Haasan's Production House Warns Against Fake Casting Calls

A day after its upcoming film 'Sandiyar', featuring actor, producer and parliamentarian Kamal Haasan went on the floors, Raaj Kamal Films International, the production house of actor Kamal Haasan, has clarified that it has not hired any casting agents for any of its films and warned that it would initiate legal action if any party was found falsely using its name in any unauthorized manner. Taking to its X timeline, the production house put out a poster that read, "This is to clarify that Raaj Kamal Films International has not hired any casting agents for any of our films. Please do not trust any e-mails, messages and social media posts received by you for this purpose. Legal action will be taken if any party is found falsely using Raaj Kamal Films International name in any unauthorized manner."

Interestingly, the production house had cautioned the public about fake casting calls twice last year. In fact, the production house had put out a similar post, alerting the public, in November last year. Raaj Kamal Films International isn't the only production house facing this problem of fake casting calls. Several other



top production houses too have had to face the same problem. In September this year, the makers of Malayalam superstar Mohanlal's #L370, had cautioned the public of fake audition calls that were doing the rounds and had clarified that they had not authorised or announced any auditions or casting requirements for their film. Director Jude Anthany Joseph, who is directing the film #L370, had taken to his social media timelines to share an alert on fake audition calls.

He wrote, "Please be aware of fake audition posters, messages, or calls circulating in the name of L370. We have not authorised or announced any auditions or casting requirements for L370 at this time. Please do not share personal information, documents, or make any payments in response to such calls or posts. For any official casting announcements, please rely only on our verified and authorised communication channels. Please stay alert and beware of fraud."

Prior to that, the makers of director Nag Ashwin's magnum opus 'Kalki 2898 AD', had issued a statement, cautioning the public to be aware of fake casting calls and individuals who were falsely claiming to represent them.Well known production house Vyjayanthi Movies, which is producing the immensely popular franchise featuring a number of top starts including Prabhas, Amitabh Bachchan and Kamal Haasan, had taken to its social media timelines to share a statement in this regard. It said "Important Clarification:

Nithiin's 'Alias Rukmini' Completes Shooting, Set for Dec 4 Release



Nithiin's latest entertaining film 'Alias Rukmini' has been successfully shot. The production house has officially announced on social media that the entire shooting of this film, directed by Muralikant Devasoth, has been completed. The makers have clarified that the film will be released in theaters worldwide on December 4. While Natural Star Nani is presenting the film, Deepti Ghanta is producing it under the banner of Unanimous Productions. "The shooting of Alias Rukmini has been completed. Let's celebrate this film with many indescribable beautiful emotions in theaters in the next 25 days," the production house said.

Before the Diwali festival, the makers have released a special video related to Nithiin's character from the film. In this, he will be seen in the role of 'Young Krishna'. Sharing this video, Nithiin said, "Every love story has a 'before' story. Young Krishna.. A dreamy young man. In this, you will see me in a new way." This video introduces how Krishna's life was before Rukmini came into his life. In this, Aafia Syed will be seen in the role of Rukmini.

The title teaser of this film, which was released earlier, also aroused a lot of interest among the audience. In that teaser, the story discussion between actor Nani and director Murali was impressive. While saying Krishna's story and mentioning the books written by Rukmini... the dialogue in which Nithin, who was sleeping in a chair, wakes up and says "Rukmini is my wife" impressed the fans. Nani was very impressed after hearing this concept and was seen in the teaser showing excitement when to start shooting.

Leading technicians are working on this film. Joman T. John is in charge of cinematography, while Vijay Bulganin is composing music. Srujana Adusumilli is the editor and Rekha Boggarapu is the costume designer. Ramana Madhavaram is the co-director of this film. The film, which has completed shooting, will greet the audience on the silver screen on December 4th.

Samantha Shares Casual Baby Bump Photo, Wins Fans' Hearts



Popular actress Samantha is going to enjoy the sweetness of motherhood soon. She is getting ready to welcome her first child with her husband and famous director Raj Nidimoru and has been sharing the details of her pregnancy journey with her fans through social media from time to time.

Recently, Samantha posted a new photo with a baby bump on her Instagram account. Usually, celebrities do grand photoshoots with huge settings and designer dresses during maternity. However, Samantha impressed everyone by appearing in a very different and ordinary environment. She shared a casual photo of herself sitting calmly on the sofa at home. She was seen holding her baby bump gently in a very cool look wearing a red color top, white trousers and black sunglasses. She added a fun caption to this photo, saying, "Consider this my maternity shoot."

Samantha's photo went viral in no time. Fans and netizens responded in large numbers and showered love on her. "The coolest mother-to-be I've ever seen," one fan praised her. "The baby is already attracting everyone's attention," and "Junior Samantha is coming soon," while many netizens expressed their best wishes in the form of comments.

Samantha and Raj Nidimoru's wedding took place on December 1, 2025, at the Isha Yoga Center in Coimbatore in the presence of their closest friends. In this context, a few weeks ago, the couple also held a traditional Seemantham ceremony at the Isha Foundation in Coimbatore. Earlier, Samantha officially announced her pregnancy at the 'Maa Inti Bangaram' movie success meet held in Hyderabad in June 2026. She revealed that after completing the projects she had already agreed upon, she would be away from films for some time to enjoy this wonderful new phase in her life. However, Samantha clarified that this is just a temporary hiatus and that she will re-enter

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Actress Manisha Koirala, who was last seen in the streaming series 'Heeramandi:The Diamond Bazaar', is an animal lover, and feels that compassion for other lives should not be confined to just the home but should also extend to the animals on the streets. The actress took to her Instagram, and shared a series of pictures from her visit to Nepal, where she attended a special event for animal welfare. The pictures featured her with the First Lady of Nepal, Sabina Kafle.

She also penned a long note in the caption as she wrote, "Some occasions remind us of the simple things that make life beautiful. Kukur Tihar is one of them. I was delighted to be part of this lovely celebration initiated by our First Lady, Mrs. Sabina Kafle. It was a thoughtful way of bringing attention to the voiceless members of our society who give so much and ask for so little. As someone who has always believed in the special place animals hold in our lives, I feel that compassion should go beyond our homes and extend to every animal on our streets". "May we become a society that is kinder, more caring and more responsible towards all living beings. A lovely thought, and an even more meaningful message", she added. A few days ago, the actress celebrated her father's 80th birthday with a heartfelt note, expressing gratitude for seeing him healthy, happy, and full of energy.

Taking to Instagram, the 'Dil Se' actress shared a glimpse of her father's disciplined lifestyle and revealed how he began his special day with his usual fitness routine. The actress said she had never seen her father healthier, happier or more full of life.

She wrote in the caption, "Dad's 80th!!! I honestly don't think I've ever seen Dad healthier, happier or more full of life".

The actress revealed that her father



Russell Brand gets 10.5 years in jail for rape, sexual assault

Russell Brand was sentenced Monday, November 9, to 10.5 years in prison for raping one woman and sexually assaulting three others during a period when his comedy career, built around boasts of erotic exploits, was taking off.

Judge Joel Bennathan told Brand that he showed a "casual and arrogant disregard" for women. "About 20 years ago, Russell Brand, you were becoming famous," Bennathan said. 'You were clever, and in many people's eyes, funny and charismatic. You had also become a sexual predator." Brand showed little emotion during the hearing and turned to mouth the words "we'll be OK" to his wife after he stood up and was led away by court officers.

The 51-year-old actor-comedian known for outrageous stand-up routines and behaviour on television and radio broadcasts, along with drug and alcohol battles, had asserted he was innocent and all his encounters were consensual. But a jury of eight men and four women found him guilty of attacking four of six accusers on allegations dating back to 2004. He was cleared of two counts of rape and one count of attempted indecent assault.

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