

IN BRIEF

Vengaiyaval case: DNA of 31 do not match faecal samples

More than a year after human faeces were found floating in an overhead tank that supplied drinking water to Adai Dravidar families in Vengaiyaval, investigators have suffered a setback as the DNA samples of 31 persons failed to match with the faecal samples collected from the tank. The incident came to light in December 2022. The Crime Branch-CID (CB-CID), which is investigating the case, had collected blood samples of 31 persons at different points of time as part of their progress and sent them for a DNA test in Chennai. This was done upon obtaining a direction from the Special Court for Exclusive Trial of Cases Registered under the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act in Pudukkottai. The DNA test was performed to carry out the probe in a scientific manner and collect scientific evidence since there were no eye witnesses, said sources in the CB-CID. However, the DNA samples of the 31 persons did not match with the faecal samples collected from the water tank, the sources said.

YSR Congress Party MP resigns from LS seat and party

YSR Congress Party MP Lavu Sri Krishna Devarayalu has resigned from his parliamentary membership as well as from the party, stating that the YSRCP has created an uncertain situation in the past two weeks in Narasaraopet Lok Sabha Constituency over the contesting candidate for the upcoming Lok Sabha elections. Mr. Krishna Devarayalu disclosed his plans on Tuesday.

Will screen Ram Ke Naam across Kerala, says DYFI

The students' union at the K.R. Narayan National Institute of Visual Science and Arts in Kottayam had attempted to screen the 1992 documentary Ram Ke Naam outside the campus on Monday. However, their efforts were met with staunch opposition from BJP activists. The stand-off ended after the police forced the students to conduct the screening inside the campus. Condemning the incident, Jack C. Thomas, a member of the DYFI central committee, said, "Ram Ke Naam will be screened across Kerala. Flags of the DYFI will guard it."

200 units of free electricity in Telangana soon: Minister

Komatireddy Venkat Reddy says domestic power consumers will get the benefit from next month; he says Congress govt will fulfil all poll promises, accuses KCR government of emptying the coffers

The Hindu Bureau  
HYDERABAD

Telangana Minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy asserted that the Congress government would fulfil all promises made during the elections, and free power to 200 units a month to domestic consumers would be implemented from next month. The Telangana Minister for Roads and Buildings blamed the previous BRS government for the delay in the implementation of promises as the KCR government had "emptied the coffers with its financial indiscipline and mismanagement."

Speaking to the media on Tuesday, Mr. Reddy also said that it was certain that former Minister G. Jagadish Reddy would go to jail for his alleged role in irregularities in the execution of Bhadadri and Yadadri thermal power stations and purchase of power from Chhattisgarh. "His role in the execu-

Jagadish Reddy's role in purchase of power from the Chhattisgarh power utility will get exposed soon  
KOMATIREDDY VENKAT  
Telangana Minister

tion of power projects and purchase of power from the Chhattisgarh power utility will get exposed soon. He is making baseless allegations against me," he said. The State government is committed to conduct an inquiry into the charges of corruption against Mr. Jagadish Reddy in this mat-

ter, Mr. Reddy said. Recently BRS working president K.T. Rama Rao had asked domestic power consumers not to pay their energy bills for January, generated after payable in February, as the Congress had promised free 200 units to all households under its Gruha Jyothi guarantee. Demanding immediate implementation of the poll guarantee, the BRS leader asked people to send their energy bills to 10 Janpath in New Delhi, the official residence of Congress leader Sonia Gandhi, as Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy had stated that the poll campaign that Ms. Gandhi would win their bills.

CWRC an unbiased platform: Minister

K. Lakshmi  
CHENNAI



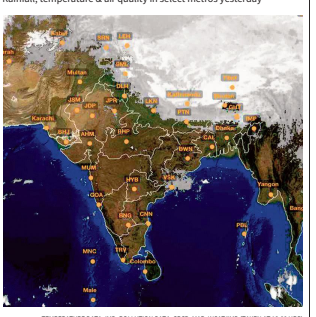
Union Minister of Jal Shakti Gajendra Singh Shekhawat and other dignitaries in Chennai on Tuesday. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

The Cauvery Water Regulation Committee (CWRC) is an unbiased platform working towards best management of water resources, said Union Minister of Jal Shakti Gajendra Singh Shekhawat on Tuesday. He was speaking at a press conference after the All India Secretaries Conference on Water Vision @2047 Way Ahead, which was organised by the National Water Mission of the Ministry of Jal Shakti, and coordinated by the Tamil Nadu Water Resources Department here.

On the Cauvery water share for Tamil Nadu, the Minister said the CWRC had met several times to assess water availability, and decided the allocation to be made to the States. Groundwater recharge on the groundwater situation across the country, he

said the Jal Shakti Minister had improved the efficacy of aquifer mapping, which led to evidence-based management interventions, and helped drastically reduce the number of overexploited and critical groundwater areas in the country. He said groundwater assessment units showed a nearly 10% improvement owing to better recharge. At the conference, Mr. Shekhawat said all States should prioritise demand-side management by regulating water use, instead of supply management.

WEATHER WATCH



TEMPERATURE DATA, AIR POLLUTION DATA, CYCLES, MAP INSERTED (TAKEN AT 18.00 HRS)

Forecast for Wednesday: Dense fog in isolated pockets over Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand, Assam, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Sikkim, West Bengal and Madhya Pradesh. Good weather conditions likely in isolated pockets over Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Bihar, Chandigarh, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand.

| CITY        | RAIN | MAX  | MIN             | CITY | RAIN      | MAX  | MIN  |
|-------------|------|------|-----------------|------|-----------|------|------|
| Agartala    | 18.4 | 24.6 | 24.5            | 25.7 | Kozhikode | 34.5 | 28.1 |
| Aligarh     | 28.3 | 11.5 | Kurnool         | 34.5 | 20.4      |      |      |
| Azamgarh    | 22.4 | 10.8 | Karol           | 18.1 | 24.6      |      |      |
| Allahabad   | 18.4 | 6.0  | Madurai         | 32.5 | 21.8      |      |      |
| Bangalore   | 30.4 | 16.3 | Mangaluru       | 33.4 | 23.5      |      |      |
| Bhopal      | 22.9 | 9.4  | Mumbai          | 30.0 | 14.8      |      |      |
| Bhubaneswar | 25.4 | 6.4  | Nagpur          | 31.0 | 17.4      |      |      |
| Chandigarh  | 15.1 | 7.8  | New Delhi       | 15.5 | 6.2       |      |      |
| Chennai     | 39.6 | 23.6 | Panaji          | 19.3 | 7.7       |      |      |
| Coimbatore  | 19.3 | 29.2 | Port Blair      | 22.0 | 11.4      |      |      |
| Dahadgam    | 20.5 | 4.4  | Puducherry      | 21.1 | 22.0      |      |      |
| Dehradun    | 12.8 | 5.6  | Pune            | 29.7 | 17.4      |      |      |
| Dispur      | 19.3 | 21.0 | Rajahmundry     | 22.0 | 11.4      |      |      |
| Guwahati    | 24.6 | 8.6  | Ranchi          | 22.6 | 7.0       |      |      |
| Haldwari    | 19.3 | 21.0 | Shillong        | 22.0 | 11.4      |      |      |
| Hyderabad   | 31.3 | 20.3 | Shimla          | 15.0 | 5.0       |      |      |
| Imphal      | 22.5 | 3.8  | Srinagar        | 12.0 | 5.0       |      |      |
| Jammu       | 19.3 | 21.0 | Tiruchirappalli | 22.0 | 11.4      |      |      |
| Kochi       | 31.8 | 26.2 | Trichy          | 32.1 | 20.0      |      |      |
| Kolkata     | 16.0 | 4.0  | Vijayawada      | 30.0 | 21.6      |      |      |
| Kohima      | 16.0 | 4.0  | Vizagapatnam    | 31.3 | 28.8      | 22.2 |      |

Pollutants in the air you are breathing

| City         | PM2.5 | PM10 | NO2 | SO2 | CO  | Lead |
|--------------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Aligarh      | 56    | 23   | 204 | 227 | 4   | 0.0  |
| Bangalore    | 3     | 3    | 23  | 207 | 1   | 0.0  |
| Bhopal       | 10    | 20   | 10  | 10  | 10  | 10   |
| Delhi        | 10    | 20   | 87  | 366 | 340 | 0    |
| Hyderabad    | 16    | 24   | 23  | 88  | 90  | 0    |
| Kolkata      | 9     | 55   | 373 | 310 | 1   | 0    |
| Madurai      | 14    | 168  | 110 | 63  | 74  | 0    |
| Pune         | 13    | 55   | 250 | 152 | 2   | 0    |
| Vizagapatnam | 13    | 55   | 250 | 152 | 2   | 0    |

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Notice Inviting Tenders (E-Tendering Process)

| Sl.No | Tender Inviting Authority | Specification No. | Total |
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