

In-Form Sindhu Eyes China Open Glory



SINDHU LEADS INDIA'S CHALLENGE AT CHINA OPEN AFTER HISTORIC JAPAN OPEN TRIUMPH

Changzhou, July 20: Fresh from her historic Japan Open triumph, two-time Olympic medallist PV Sindhu will spearhead India's campaign at the China Open Super 1000 tournament, which begins on Tuesday in Changzhou.

Sindhu enters the tournament in exceptional form after becoming the first Indian shuttler to win the Japan Open title. The victory ended her 19-month wait for a major trophy and marked her maiden Super 750 title. She capped off a dominant run in Tokyo by defeating three-time world cham-

pion Akane Yamaguchi 21-17, 21-17 in the final, winning all her matches without dropping a game.

The 2016 China Open champion will open her campaign against fellow Indian Unnati Hooda. A win could set up a second-round encounter with fourth seed Chen Yu Fei, provided the Chinese star recovers from the hamstring injury that forced her retirement during the Japan Open semifinals.

In the women's singles draw, Devika Sihag will face Thailand's Busanan Ongbamrungphan in

the opening round.

India's challenge in the men's doubles, however, will be without star pair Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty, as Satwik continues his recovery from a recurring shoulder injury.

With the World Championships scheduled in New Delhi next month, Sindhu will be aiming to maintain her winning momentum and strengthen her credentials as one of the top contenders on the global stage.

Revanth's Economic Mismanagement Pushed Telangana into Fiscal Crisis: Dasoju

Hyderabad, July 20 (Vishwam News): BRS MLC Dr. Dasoju Sravan on Monday launched a strong attack on Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy and the Congress government, alleging that Telangana's financial health has deteriorated sharply within the first quarter of the 2026-27 financial year. Referring to the latest report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG), he claimed that the state government's budget projections had failed to match the fiscal reality, resulting in a significant revenue deficit and mounting debt burden.

Addressing a press conference in Hyderabad, Sravan said the Congress government had presented an optimistic picture in the State Budget by projecting a revenue surplus for the financial year. However, according to the CAG figures, Telangana recorded a revenue deficit of 12,289 crore during the first three months of the fiscal year, a development he described as a serious warning sign for the state's economy.

The BRS leader alleged that the government's financial management had pushed the state treasury into distress, with the deficit increasing steadily month after month. He questioned the credibility of the government's claims regarding economic growth and development, stating that the fiscal indicators reflected a widening gap between promises and performance.

Sravan further criticized the government's borrowing pattern, claiming that nearly 37.5 percent of the state's annual borrowing limit had already been uti-



lized during the first quarter itself. He argued that excessive dependence on loans was increasing the debt burden on future generations while yielding little visible benefit in terms of infrastructure creation or productive investments. According to him, the state's primary deficit and rising liabilities indicate that the government is increasingly relying on fresh borrowings to manage existing obligations. He warned that such a trend could adversely affect Telangana's long-term financial stability if corrective measures are not taken immediately.

The BRS MLC also pointed to what he described as poor performance across key revenue-generating sectors. He alleged that tax collections, including GST and sales tax, were lagging behind budget expectations, while revenues from registrations and non-tax

sources had also fallen short of targets. The slowdown, he said, reflected weakening economic activity and declining purchasing power among the public.

Expressing concern over excise collections, Sravan questioned how liquor revenue remained below expectations despite the continued growth of liquor sales across the state. He demanded a thorough investigation into the alleged diversion or leakage of excise revenue and called for greater transparency in revenue administration.

He also accused the government of failing to secure the expected level of financial assistance from the Centre. Despite repeated visits by state leaders to New Delhi, the grants received from the Union government were significantly lower than projected, he claimed.

On the welfare front, Sravan alleged that several major promises made by

the Congress party before the elections remain unfulfilled. He cited delays in farmer support schemes, pending fee reimbursement dues, unpaid healthcare bills under welfare programmes, and the absence of progress on employment-related assurances. According to him, the gap between announced schemes and actual implementation is widening due to the state's deteriorating financial position.

Demanding accountability, the BRS leader called on the government to release a comprehensive White Paper detailing Telangana's fiscal condition, including borrowings, revenue collections, expenditure patterns, liabilities, and pending commitments. Such a document, he said, would provide citizens with a clear picture of the state's finances and enable informed public debate.

Sravan also urged the government to focus on financial discipline and governance rather than promotional campaigns. He maintained that the people of Telangana deserve transparency regarding the state's economic condition and the roadmap for fulfilling the commitments made to them.

The Congress government has not yet responded to the allegations made by the BRS leader. However, the remarks are expected to intensify the political debate over Telangana's finances ahead of the upcoming Assembly session, where fiscal management and welfare spending are likely to emerge as key issues.



KTR Condemns Delhi Police Action on Protesters

Hyderabad, July 20 (Vishwam News): BRS Working President K.T. Rama Rao (KTR) strongly condemned the Delhi Police's alleged lathicharge on peaceful protesters, calling the action "undemocratic and shameful."

In a statement, KTR said that questions raised by citizens cannot be answered with "lathis and tear gas" and emphasized that the Constitution guarantees every citizen

the right to question those in power.

"The right to dissent cannot be beaten out of people. I strongly condemn the police action and urge the Union Government to stop muzzling dissent immediately," he said.

Expressing solidarity with students and citizens demanding accountability, KTR urged protesters to stay safe while continuing their democratic struggle.

IPS Probationer Critical After Suicide Attempt

Hyderabad, July 20: In a dramatic development that has sent shockwaves through the law enforcement community, trainee IPS officer Uday Krishna Reddy, who is facing serious allegations of sexual harassment and assault by a fellow trainee at the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy (NPA), allegedly attempted suicide on Sunday.

According to reports, Reddy was rushed to a private hospital in SR Nagar, Hyderabad, where he is undergoing treatment. Sources said his condition is critical.

The alleged suicide attempt comes amid mounting pressure following an internal inquiry conducted by the National Police Academy. The academy's committee reportedly found substance in the allegations made against him by a woman trainee IPS officer and subsequently placed him under suspension.

The complainant, a 30-year-old married trainee IPS officer from Karnataka, accused Reddy of repeated harassment and intimidation. In her complaint to the police, she alleged that he sent obscene messages, forcibly dragged her into a room, assaulted her by pulling her hair, attempted to strangle her, threatened her with a knife, and secretly recorded a private video.

She further alleged that the accused later used the video to blackmail her and sent it to her husband.

Based on the complaint, the Attapur Police registered a case against Uday Krishna Reddy under various provisions of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) and the Information Technology Act. The investigation is currently underway.

Sources familiar with the inquiry said the NPA's internal committee reviewed CCTV footage and other available evidence before concluding that the allega-



tions warranted disciplinary action. Following the findings, the academy suspended Reddy and informed the relevant authorities.

Police had also issued notices to the trainee officer as part of the ongoing investigation.

Adding another dimension to the case, reports indicate that shortly before the alleged suicide attempt, Reddy posted a WhatsApp status asserting that he had "done nothing wrong."

The incident has sparked widespread discussion within administrative and police circles, raising concerns over conduct, accountability, and mental health among probationary officers undergoing training at premier institutions.

Authorities have not yet issued an official statement regarding the circumstances surrounding the alleged suicide attempt. Further details are awaited as both the criminal investigation and institutional proceedings continue.

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Telangana Launches Indiramma Housing Scheme in Hyderabad; Applications Open for Affordable High-Rise Flats

Hyderabad, July 20: The Telangana government on Monday launched the much-awaited Indiramma Houses (CURE Area) Housing Scheme for Hyderabad, offering affordable flats to eligible urban poor families in multi-storey residential towers across the city.

The scheme was formally launched at the Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Telangana State Secretariat by Housing and Revenue Minister Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy, along with Hyderabad In-charge Minister Ponnamm Prabhakar, Rangareddy In-charge Minister D. Sridhar Babu, Minister Mohammed Azharuddin, MLAs and other public representatives.

Affordable Housing in High-Rise Towers Under the scheme, beneficiaries will receive flats with a carpet area of 400 sq ft and a built-up area of approximately 528 sq ft. The housing units will be constructed in high-rise residential complexes across 16 Assembly constituencies falling under the Core Urban Region (CURE) of Hyderabad. The government will provide a subsidy of 5 lakh per unit, while the beneficiary's tentative contribution is 6 lakh, excluding the subsidy component. Officials stated that the contribution amount may vary depending on final project costs.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The government has laid down strict eligibility conditions to ensure that the benefits reach genuinely deserving families.

APPLICANTS MUST:

Be residents of Hyderabad's CURE area for at least 10 years. Not own any house, flat, or



plot within the Outer Ring Road (ORR) limits or the CURE region.

Not have previously availed benefits under any similar government housing scheme. Submit accurate information, as false declarations, suppression of facts, or duplicate applications will lead to rejection.

ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS

The government has introduced an online application system to streamline the selection process. Applicants will be required to furnish proof of residence, identity documents, income details and other supporting records while applying.

A dedicated brochure released during the launch outlines the eligibility norms, application procedure, subsidy details, beneficiary contribution, housing locations, and selection process.

MAJOR URBAN HOUSING INITIATIVE

The Indiramma Houses (CURE) programme is being projected as one of the largest affordable urban housing initiatives undertaken by the Telangana government. By constructing flats in vertical housing complexes, the government aims to address land constraints in Hyderabad while providing secure and dignified housing to economically weaker sections.

Officials said the scheme is expected to benefit thousands of families currently living in rented accommodations, informal settlements, or inadequate housing conditions, while also supporting planned urban development in the rapidly expanding Hyderabad metropolitan region. "The objective is to ensure that every eligible urban poor family has access to a permanent home with basic amenities and improved living standards," officials said during the launch.