

Vaikuntadwara Darsha

Extensive arrangements in place, says CEO

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- TTD will issue 4,23,500 Sarva Darshan offline tokens from December 22 afternoon 2 pm in all 92 counters at 9 locations in Tirupati
- One of chief priests says darshan is significance in any of all 10 days

DUSI VENKATESWARA RAO  
TIRUMALA

TTD EO A V Dharma Reddy said that TTD is making extensive arrangements for providing Srivari Vaikuntadwara Darshan to as many devotees possible from December 23 to January 1.

Addressing the media after a review with all heads of TTD departments at the Annamayya Bhavan in Tirumala on Monday evening, the EO said the Vaikuntadwara Darshan commences from early hours of December 23 at 1.45 am and will conclude at the midnight of January 1.

He said in order to reduce waiting time of devotees in queue lines, the TTD will issue 4,23,500 Sarva Darshan offline tokens from December 22 afternoon 2 pm in all 92 coun-



TTD EO A V Dharma Reddy holds a review with heads of all departments over arrangements for Vaikuntadwara Darshan in Tirumala on Monday

ters at 9 locations in Tirupati.

The token issuing locations are: Vishnu Nivasam, Srinivasam, Govindarajaswami Choultries, Bhudevai Complex, Ramachandra Pushkarani, Indira Maidan, Jeevakona High School, Raman Naidu High school in Bairagipettada and ZP school in MR Palli.

Special queue lines, barricades, drinking water, coffee, tea, snacks will be provided at these counters.

QR code boards will be displayed at all these counters for the benefit of devotees. With the coordination of district authorities, traffic and civil police security arrangements also made.

He said, since limited rooms are available in Tirumala, devotees should book rooms in Tirupati itself during these festive days. Only devotees with tickets or tokens will be allotted rooms.

As in past break darshan

facility is provided to protocol VIPs in person in limited numbers only. During these 10 days, no recommendation letters for break darshan will be accepted, he added.

Devotees with tokens and tickets alone shall be allowed for Srivari Vaikuntadwara Darshan at Tirumala 24 hours ahead only.

Devotees without tokens could reach Tirumala but cannot get darshan. They can visit other places in Tirumala viz. Papavinasanam, Akasa Ganga etc., The EO said devotees with tokens or tickets should come for Srivari Darshan at specified date and time only.

Devotees should plan Tirumala only after ascertaining availability of tokens through SVBC channel and TTD website.

Dharma Reddy said Sri Malayappa Swami and His consorts will ride Swarna ratham on Mada streets on Vaikunta

Ekadasi day between 9am and 11 am. On Vaikunta Dwadasi day on December 24, Chakra Snanam will be organised between 4.30am and 5.30 am.

On Vaikunta Ekadasi day, Vishnu Sahasranama Parayanams will be observed at Nada Neeranjanaam platform between 6 am and 7 am and on the same day being Gita Jayanti, Bhagavad Gita Akhanda Parayanam will also be recited between 12 noon and 4 pm.

Speaking on the occasion, one of the chief priests Venugopala Dikshitulu highlighted the significance of Vaikuntadwara Darshan and said Srivari Darshan on any one of these 10 days earns the same outcome of bliss to the devotees.

TTD JEOS Sada Bhargavi, Veerabrahmam, CVSO Narasimha Kishore, one of chief priests of Srivari temple Govindaraja Dikshitulu, SVBC CEO Shanmugha Kumar and others were present.

Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra

Guv calls for participation of public representatives, officials

Says the aim of the campaign is to raise awareness so as to see that all eligible avail of welfare schemes

VANI MALLELA  
TIRUPATI

GOVERNOR S Abdul Nazeer called on public representatives, officials, non-officials, member of civil society organisation to create awareness among all eligible people about the various flagship programmes being implemented by the Central government to avail the benefits offered under the different outreach programmes.

Speaking at Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra held at Sri Padmavati Mahila University here on Monday the Governor said the yatra can be made successful only with the active participation of all public representatives and officers of the concerned departments.

The Governor gave a detail account on the Central welfare schemes, including Ayushman Bharat Yojana aimed at providing free healthcare cover of Rs 5 lakhs per family per year.

Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra campaign has been launched by adopting a 'whole of government' approach with the active participation of various ministries and departments of Government of India, state governments, Central government organisations and insti-



Governor S Abdul Nazeer interacts with girl students during the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra programme at Sri Padmavati Mahila University in Tirupati on Monday

tutions, to ensure the widest possible participation of all stakeholders, for the benefit of citizens of the country and to realise the vision of Viksit Bharat, he said.

"Our Prime Minister Narendra Modi has often said that the next 25 years extending to 2047 marking the centenary of India's Independence will be known as 'Amrit Kaal' and the decisions and actions undertaken during the 'Amrit Kaal' will have a profound and lasting impact on the future

millennium," he said.

The Governor said the goal of Amrit Kaal is to ascend to new heights of prosperity for India and the citizens of India.

'Amrit Kaal' aims to improve the lives of Indians and bridge the gap in development between villages and cities.

Justice Nazeer said the goal of the yatra is to raise awareness and facilitate the delivery of the welfare scheme benefits to all the eligible persons and to do away with the feeling of neglect

among crores of citizens. The Yatra also aims at focusing on reaching the vulnerable population, to achieve saturation of schemes of Government of India, to achieve the aim of a self-reliant and developed India by 2047, he added.

Sri Padmavati Mahila University vice-chancellor Bharti, district collector K Venkataramana Reddy, MLC Dr Cipai Subramanyam, mayor Dr Sirisha commissioner D Haritha were present.

ANGANWADI STAFF AGITATION ENTERS 7<sup>TH</sup> DAY

- Take out a rally from Vijayawada railway station to Dharma Chowk
- Union leaders remind that YSRCP promised Rs 1,000 more pay than in Telangana if it comes to power but renege on it

MD AMEEN  
VIJAYAWADA

ANGANWADI Workers and Helpers Union's dharna entered the seventh day on Monday at the Dharma Chowk in Vijayawada and other parts of the state. Thousands of Anganwadi workers and helpers are boycotting the duty and staging protests across the state condemning the failure of the government to concede their demands.

The Anganwadi workers and helpers took out a rally from Vijayawada railway station to the Dharma Chowk on Monday holding banners and flexes. Addressing the dharna, union district honorary president D V Krishna, president T Gajalakshmi and general secretary Supraja recalled that YSRCP had assured the Anganwadi workers that the government would pay Rs 1,000 more salary compared to Telangana state workers but failed to implement the promise even after 4.5 years.

They said the Supreme Court issued orders to the states to pay gratuity and retirement benefits to the Anganwadi workers but the state government is not implementing it, they said. They alleged that the state



Anganwadi workers takeout a protest rally from Railway station to dharna chowk in Vijayawada on Monday.

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government is resorting to many conspiracies to break the agitation of the Anganwadi workers and helpers in the state.

The leaders demanded the government to increase wag-

es, enhance budget allocation, sanction Rs 5 lakh retirement benefits and pay 50 per cent of wages as pension after their retirement. Anganwadi workers vowed to continue their struggle till their demands are

met. They asked the government to increase menu charges of the YSR Samporna Poshana, supply cooking gas and release the pending rents of the Anganwadi centres and TA bills.

‘Non-local leadership stalled Prakasam dist development’

NARESH NANDAM  
ONGOLE

UNLESS a local leadership that fights for the local causes is given space and nurtured by the political platforms, the development of the Prakasam district is not possible with the non-local political leadership, said All India Congress Committee secretary and a native of Cumbum in the Prakasam district Dr Sirivella Prasad.

Dr Prasad was in the Dalit rights movement for over two decades and built a national coalition with more than 600 Dalit, Adivasi, and human rights organisations, and spearheaded the campaign for necessary amendments to strengthen the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act. Having completed doctoral research in develop-



Congress candidate in Ongole LS seat in 2019 and veteran party leader Dr Sirivella Prasad says political leaders have not cared for the development of district as most of them are from either erstwhile Nellore or Guntur districts

ment and with economics and a law degrees, he was also a member of various committees and commissions appointed by the Union government, NHRC, National Judicial Academy and the United Nations.

Dr Prasad joined the Indian National Congress more than a decade ago and worked as an AICC Observer for recent Assembly elections in Chhattisgarh. He contested from Ongole Lok Sabha

seat on Congress ticket in 2019 and is a key contact for district and state Congress leaders at AICC.

In an interview with The Hans India, Dr Prasad observed that elections are run by perceptions. He said that the Congress's win in Karnataka changed the perception of the people in Telangana, and helped in forming the government after a decade after giving the separate state. He opined that the perception of voters in Andhra Pradesh is also changing, and is better towards the Congress party now when compared with in 2014 and 2019. He said that though the atmosphere is not ready to form a government by their party in Andhra Pradesh, they will influence a considerable share of votes in several constituencies in the 2024 elections.

Dr Prasad said that the people in Andhra Pradesh wanted to give a chance to YS Jagan Mohan Reddy in 2019, and are now regretting their decision. The governments have to offer free services to the poor people for welfare, development and some for charity. But, the free money services offered by the government in the state are at the cost of the welfare and development. He said that due

to some of the direct benefit transfer programs in Andhra Pradesh, 29 schemes for the SCs and STs are discontinued along with many schemes for others, resulting in non-generation of jobs, and no development opportunities for the future generations.

Prasad observed that the development of Prakasam district is not a concern for the political leadership in the district. Most of the political leaders in Prakasam are from either erstwhile Nellore or Guntur districts, and they never cared for the issues of the local people, he said.

He opined that the non-local leadership has indirectly suppressed the voices of ground-level leaders who raise local issues, in one way or another, and that is the reason for the continuous delay of the Veligonda project, Ramayapatnam port, repairs to Gundlakamma project, Srikalahasti railway lane, etc.,

He said that the political parties should give space for the ground-level leaders and handhold them while creating opportunities for the skill development of the local youth for the development of the western region of the district.

He demanded a minimum guarantee of life for the farmers, farm workers, Dalits and poor people, by strengthening the systems to work for the public.

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