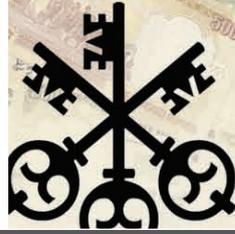


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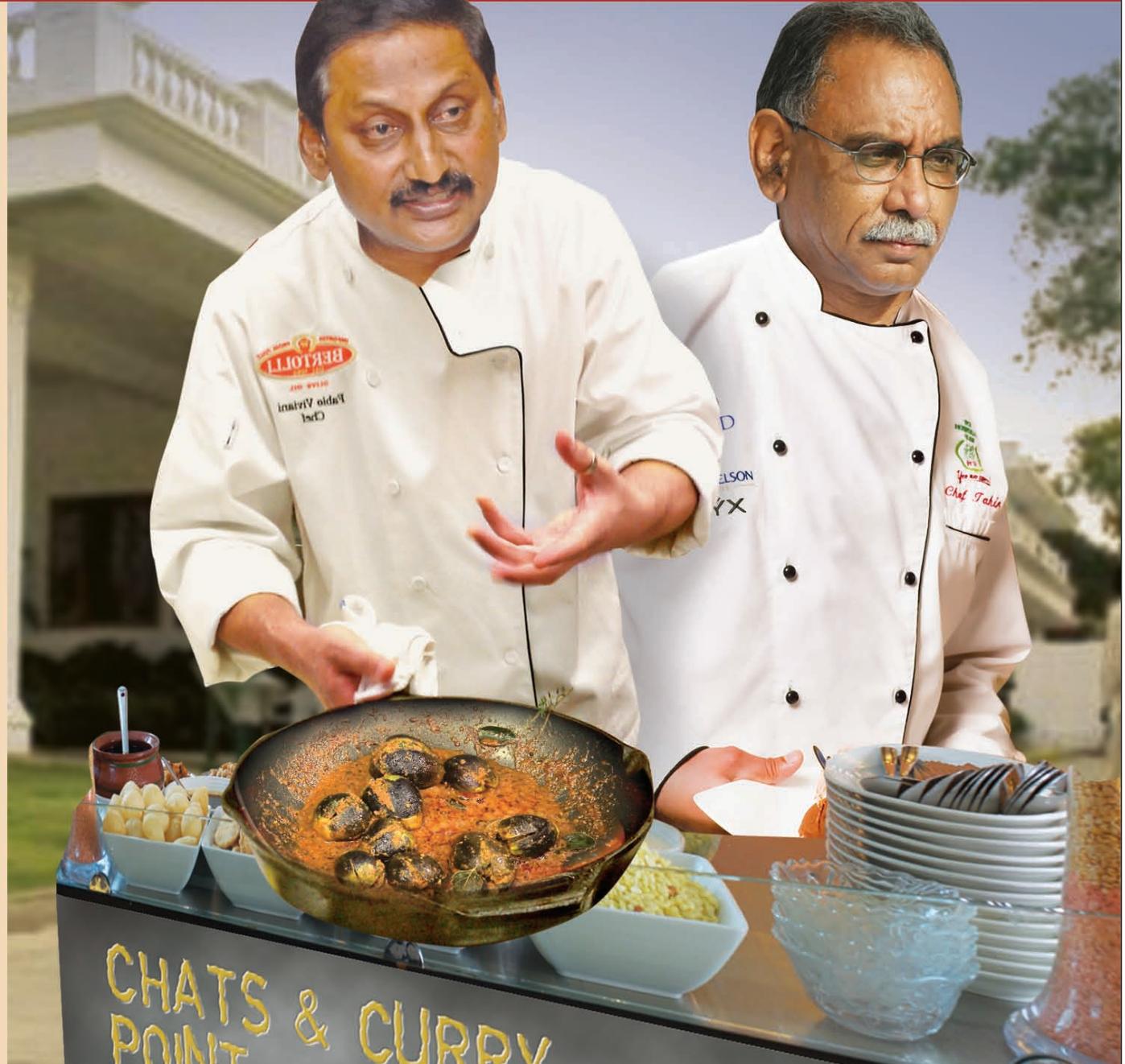
# What is cooking at Kiran's Curry Point?

By Our Political Correspondent

Andhra Pradesh State Chief Minister Kiran Kumar Reddy shocked everyone in the State and the country by making an open attack against his party High Command that is synonymous with Congress President Sonia Gandhi. Kiran Reddy chose to particularly target the AICC General Secretary in charge of the AP state affairs -- Digvijay Singh and the Congress Working Committee (CWC) which passed a resolution on July 30th for forming Telangana state with ten districts out of Andhra Pradesh.

A usually shy, reticent Kiran suddenly turned aggressive and stubborn in criticizing Digvijay Singh, by naming him repeatedly at a Press conference. Even some ministers close to him were surprised to find this sudden defiance in the chief minister and were found discussing the reasons for it. "I am prepared to sacrifice my CM post. The unity of state is more important to me than the party, which made me the CM," he told the media on Friday.

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Though the purpose of the chief minister calling for a media conference at his Begumpet Camp Office was for namesake an appeal to the striking Seemandhra employees, Kiran utilized the opportunity to hit back at Digvijay Singh who only two days before advised him to discharge his responsibilities in a judicious manner by conveying that “he be the chief minister for all regions, not only for Seemandhra”. Kiran Reddy as if announcing a revolt blurted-- “Yes, I am the Chief Minister for all regions, that is why I want to keep all regions together,” said Kiran.

Of late, on and off, the chief minister has been attacking the Congress high command on the bifurcation issue and made veiled threats to the high command that the resolution on Telangana might be defeated in the Assembly, if it comes to the State. But, for the first time, he openly made it clear that he would not be a party to the bifurcation of Andhra Pradesh and openly announced that he would ensure the writ of Sonia Gandhi would not run.

“I am the most unfortunate person to preside over the division of the State if it happens during my term. I would be saddened to decide between the party and the state. I want to make it clear I will never be a party to this division,” Kiran announced so blatantly. He is pretty much aware that his Friday media meet is enough for the high command to sack him and impose President’s Rule sooner than expected.

Already, former minister Komatireddy Venkat Reddy and Nalgonda MP G Sukhender Reddy demanded that Kiran must resign as CM and also from the party and then freely carry on with his activities. Kiran Reddy too knows that his open defiance would not be tolerated by the high command, which is keen on going ahead with the process of Telangana at the earliest.

**KVP factor**

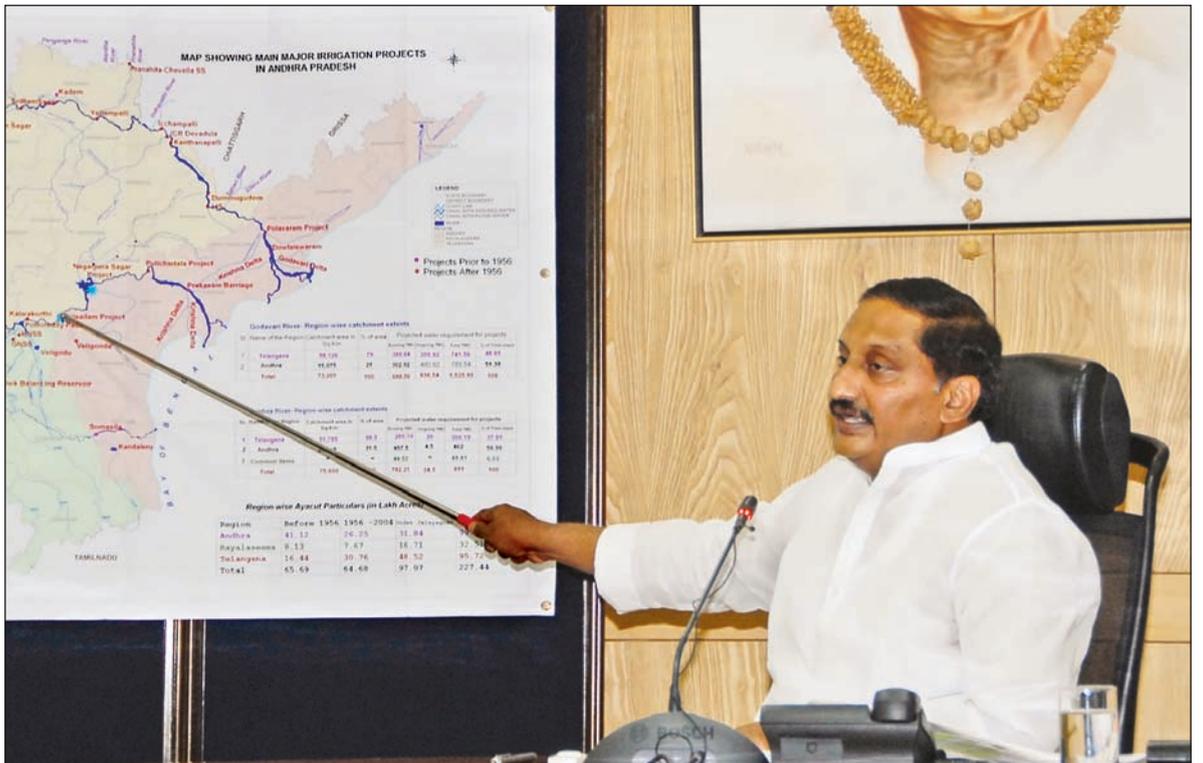
If so, what is it that making him go berserk? Who is behind Kiran’s political

strategies? Who is making him rant angry outbursts against the high command and Sonia Ganhi who made him CM three years ago? The answers are simple. Certain Andhra business lobbies which don’t want to see the division of Andhra Pradesh and certain political lobbies which are experts in running the government from behind the curtains are behind now Kiran Reddy too. Remember during the rein of YSR there were a group of advisors who virtually ran the YSR administration that is responsible for so many civil servants facing unwarranted criminal cases. Those forces were silent for some time but seem to have become active again after Kiran Reddy was anointed as the state chief minister taking every one by surprise.

Yes, according to sources available to Deccan Post, Rajya Sabha member KVP Ramachandra Rao, who ran the show for YSR until his death, is now the prime force behind Kiran Reddy making these frenzied attacks on the congress high command on Friday. Of course, KVP, a close confidant and adviser of late CM YSR was in Delhi when Kiran Reddy addressed the media. But, the entire script of Kiran Reddy is known to have been meticulously prepared by KVP, sources said.

Then, what are the interests that are behind KVP? Why KVP is aiding and advising Kiran to stall Telangana process? The answers again are simple. Typical business interests of Seemandhra politicians are coming in the way of allowing the bifurcation of Andhra Pradesh. Today, KVP is the real factor and secret leader of this politician-businessmen lobby of Seemandhra who have mastered the art of looting Telangana in every possible manner.

According to an estimate, at least Rs 50,000 crore worth irrigation and other infrastructure projects are going on in the State today. Needless to say, a majority of these projects (ninety percent) are in the hands of contractors who are controlled by these Seemandhra politicians lobby.



Very recently, this lobby almost managed to secure a hike of Rs 3,800 crore, so that money can go into the hands of these lobbyists. It is note worthy to mention that some well known Telangana elements are also part of the deal despite their unsuspected external role in public eye. Some ministers from Telangana in Kiran Reddy cabinet are high profile members of this KVP led gang. The group is dead against to the division of AP, at this stage as it would hamper the flow of funds into their hands. This lobby is desperate to stall the division of the State by hook or crook so that the money would be transferred to them soon. This lobby successfully managed to bring Kiran into their fold and convinced him that they would ensure a bright political future to him, if he opposes State division. Kiran who started as a novice in politics has become quite greedy about continuing in high positions. He was tender foot when he became chief minister but now he has a nose for huge tenders. Remember the Polavaram project tender and how many twists and turns it has taken till now. Kiran Reddy has smelt power and now wants to perpetuate his position.

### 3Way split of Congress in Seemandhra

Today, the ruling Congress is divided into three major camps: One is heading towards Jagan's who is released from jail recently. There are 25 MPs from Seemandhra in the Lok Sabha. Of them four are from the TDP and the rest of 21 were from Congress. Until two of them -- YS Jaganmohan Reddy (Kadapa) and Mekapati Rajmohan Reddy (Nellore) having resigned from Congress got re-elected in the by-polls on YSRCP ticket reducing the strength of Congress to 19. Now, among these nineteen MPs belonging to the ruling congress, seven are members of the Union Council Of Ministers.

### Jagan Group:

While all these seven ministers are likely to continue with Congress headed by Sonia Gandhi, except four or five several others are expected to cross over

into YSRCP and rebel congress party to be formed by KVP-Kiran Reddy combo; the group that is likely to join Jagan's YSRCP includes about 4 MPs from a total of 19 congress MPs. This group includes MPs SPY Reddy (Nandyal), Sabbam Hari (Anakapalli), Anath Venkataram Reddy (Anantapur), Magunta Srinivasa Reddy (Ongole) and K Saipratap (Rajampet).

Besides, there are several state ministers and MLAs who are all set to join the YSRCP. Former ministers Mopidevi Venkataramana, Dharmana Prasada Rao, and Gade Venkata Reddy are all well known supporters of YSRCP just waiting for Jagan's release on bail. Other ministers in the state cabinet like P Viswaroop, N Raghuvveera Reddy, Kasu Krishna Reddy, K Parthasarathy, Shathrucharla Vijayarama Raju, Erasu Pratap Reddy and Ganta Srinivas are eager to join YSRCP at an opportune time. There are currently about 25 to 30 odd MLAs waiting for green signal from Jagan depending upon being accommodated in the coming elections due in April 2014.

This group has almost made up their mind to join Jagan for long. They were waiting for the release of Jagan from jail and now they are going to join him one by one. This group has no love lost with the congress and they think that by continuing in the ruling party, their political future is doomed. Their number is likely to grow further in the days to come.

### Sonia Group:

Second group is the hardcore loyalists of Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi. This group mostly is consisted of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes leaders like MPs and central ministers like Kishore Chandra Deo, Panabaka Lakshmi, Kavuri Saimbasiva Rao, Pallam Raju, Purandeshwari, Killi Kripa Rani, Kotla Suryaprakash Reddy all Lok Sabha MPs and besides them MPs -- Chinta Mohan, Bosta Jhansi, K Bapiraju (TTD Chairman and MP from Narsapur) and GV Harsha Kumar. In all eleven MPs are likely to remain loyal to Sonia Gandhi whatever may be the consequences. However



others like PCC chief and Transport Minister Botsa Satyanarayana, Tribal Welfare minister Balaraju, Mines minister Galla Aruna, Endowments minister C Ramchandriah, Minorities minister Ahmedulla, Dokka Manikya Varaprasad are also likely to remain in congress.

This group is reconciled to their fate. They have decided not to leave Congress, irrespective of the political developments. Here too, the tribe is growing day by day. For instance, most of Kapu lobby including union ministers MM Pallam Raju, K Chiranjeevi and state minister Kanna Lakshminarayana are to stay with Sonia Gandhi.

### Kiran-KVP Group:

Then the third group, presently headed by CM Kiran Kumar Reddy is plotting their own future. They may form a new political party, in case the bifurcation of State takes shape. They are at present secretly co-ordinated by KVP and others. MPs Lagadapati Rajagopal, Undavalli Arun Kumar, and Rayapati

Sambasiva Rao are prominent in this group which is still in the formative stage.

Though the name of the party is still undecided, it may be Rajiv Congress or Smaikyandhra Congress. Ministers Anam Ramanarayana Reddy, S Shailajanath, TG Venkatesh, Kondru Murali, Pithani Satyanarayana, Mahidhar Reddy and others may join this group. Though the CM said that he would not form a new party, he is under tremendous pressure to form a new congress outfit from those former loyalists of YSR who are not comfortable with Jagan. The presumed support of AP NGOs who are thankful to Kiran Reddy's tacit support in every possible manner and the traditional congress vote bank seems to be motivating this group. This group in all probability would try to have truck with YSRCP to ensure anti-TDP vote base is not fragmented.

These days every week is so dynamic that the political happenings are just unpredictable. In the whole thing concerning the state division leading to formation of Telangana State is all like a cricket match. Time is the essence of a result. Winter session of the Parliament that is just round the corner in coming November is like the final day in a test match. Will the congress led union government be able to prepare a cabinet note in the first week of October? Will the Presidential Reference reach AP State Assembly by the end of October? Can the Manmohan Singh government table the AP State Reorganization Bill 2013 that paves way for Telangana statehood in the Winter Session as being demanded by the BJP? Will Kiran be allowed to stay till end of October? Will Prez Rule be imposed?

So, it is apparent that Kiran who is just 53 years old and threatened by an imminent end of his political career is making desperate plans for his future with the help of a business oriented political lobby of Seemandhra. His recent attack against Sonia Gandhi is just a political ploy to project himself as a leader with rebellious image- a la YSR? Jagan for sure will not like it. Let's see if Kiran wants to eat the cake and have it too? ♦

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# Desperate Dineshji departing as DGP

By Shivakant Bichkunda

It was all there to see how our outgoing DGP was desperate to get an extension until the last minute. The outgoing DGP had tried everything except one thing which DECCAN POST feels was left out. Dinesh tried political lobbying. Trusted gods and also tried out god men. But in the end, the same apex court that made it possible for him to enjoy a bonus after his "60 saal baad" innings by granting one year more in office has by its another order ordered an enquiry into his alleged purchase of properties.

The already upset DGP could not be tolerant of alleged morphing resorted to by some among the Media. He lost his cool and fired his tool. Chaos all around. Some one most trusted failed to turn around. Making our DGP wonder – "dost dost na raha - power ka post na raha". Kiran Reddy all the while used our Dinesh Reddy and now abused our dear Reddy.

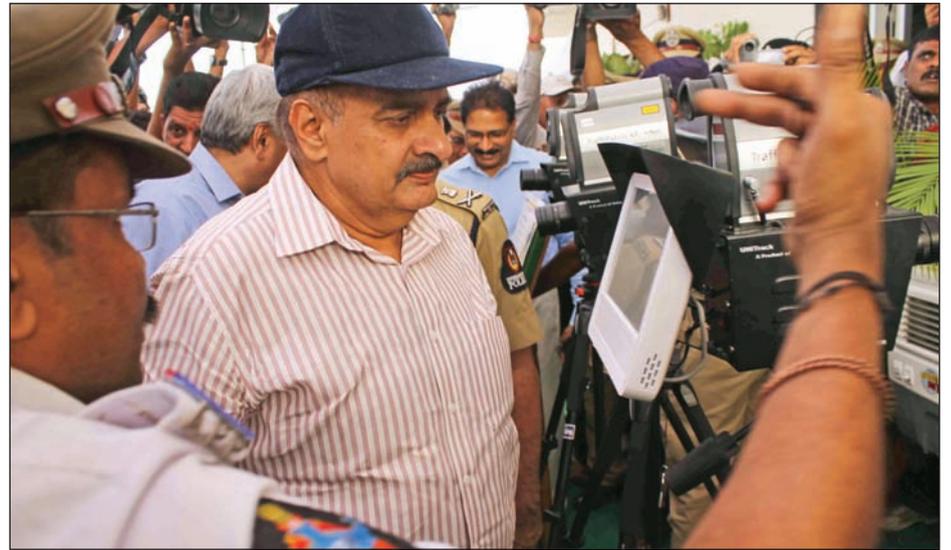
## What went wrong?

Dinesh probably erred in not serving a notice of seeking a fresh appointment from both the central government and state government citing the orders of the Supreme Court that dealt his appointment issue which resulted in a fresh two year term beyond his

originally scheduled retirement on 30th September 2013. Had he served such a notice he would have had an opportunity of filing contempt case against the violation of the SC ruling and sought an injunction that mandates his continuation besides prohibiting the government from taking up succession issue. But now, it's almost like water under the bridge.

It's a well known fact that V Dinesh Reddy a 1977 Batch IPS officer has been in news on many pleasant and unpleasant occasions. His differences with his batch mate Umesh Kumar are an open secret and upon the initiative taken by Umesh Kumar led to the order for CBI enquiry into alleged disproportionate assets accumulated by Dinesh Reddy by the Supreme Court of India and adding to the wounds, his visit to Godman in old city furthered his pains. As his plea for extension of his term, despite his reaching age of superannuation got rejected by the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT).

Our desperate DGP pleaded that the Supreme Court of India in an earlier order opined that a state DGP (HoPF) should be given a fixed term of two years but the Hyderabad bench of CAT had been informed by the government counsel that 'as there is a



CBI enquiry is pending against the DGP, the state government is not in favour of extending any term for the DGP which paved way for the General Administration Department (GAD) to issue a Government Order (GO) regarding the retirement of our DGP on 30th September, 2013 resulting in negating all options for our desperate DGP who has been

an energetic and immaculate personality, suddenly being forced to take rest after a hectic and untiring stint in his 36 years of Policing. Friends amongst the Police, Polity, Bureaucracy, Media are wishing him all the best in his future endeavors. Wolfish beware. The wounded tiger may pounce back. ♦

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# Kiran running out of balls

With the latest outbursts made by the chief minister of (United) Andhra Pradesh, many Telangana protagonists are angry against the lamenting nature of CM and his team mates. The way our CM is playing games, he is surely inviting tough draws from the congress party leadership. When a decision is already been taken after an elaborate process of consultations that took

number of years and after most of the national and regional political parties having consented for the creation of Telangana state out of Andhra Pradesh by the demerger which took place in 1956; our Chief Minister should have batted well in defense of the Seemandhra considerations. The million dollar question is whether our Chief Minister is a batsman playing for his Congress Party or against his own team.

Why our Chief Minister is blatantly and opening waging a war against his own party high command? What is the hidden agenda behind is open defiance? What is the purpose of his supporting and sponsoring the fabricated moment in the name of United Andhra Pradesh? What is he going to gain by encouraging the APNGOs to continue their stir? What will be his future? Our Chief

Minister should try to explore answers to all these questions and then only speak but it seems he lacks political experience and definitely having arrived in sealed cover has now sealed his future. Surely the preaching of PV Garu -- Nallari's family guru: There are 'no murders in politics; only suicides' seems to have fallen on deaf ears. ♦

By Shivkant Bichkunda

# VP Rahul Gandhi must stop being Visiting Professor?

By Shivkant Bichkunda

The whole nation has watched the press meet where the AICC Vice President Rahul Gandhi suddenly appeared and stated that the Ordinance related to the convicted legislators and members of parliament is nothing but complete nonsense and it deserves to be torn away. The move taken by Rahul Gandhi surprised one and all as it was unexpected and surprising to see a congress leader from Gandhi family opposing his own party's governmental ordinance and thereby embarrassing congress president Sonia Gandhi.

But the question is "what he does all the time besides suddenly appearing now and then to make maverick outbursts? Why is he silent on taking the reins in his hand? Being a second in command of the ruling congress party - why he did not consult the government about the Ordinance earlier? Why has he reacted now? Many believes that it's an Election Year



and obviously youth get attracted to such type of drama and hungama. These sloppy acts from Rahul Gandhi cannot impress the well aware youth now a days. The youth are mostly interested in jobs and decent living conditions. If the congress party is desperate to come back to power for the consecutive third term then its should requires Rahul to fight the battle upfront by replacing the old man who is tired of being the dummy kind of PM.

Our politicians and parties must realize that our nation's educated youth are not so dumb and don't get carried away so easily by dramatic and emotional outbursts instead they need a firm assurance of their future and their country's future and surely vote for the party that is committed for upliftment of the poor, welfare and development of the community, that promotes secularism and ensures a corruption free society. ♦

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# Sushma Swaraj demands tabling of T-state bill in winter session

By Dr T Siva Prasad Reddy-Special Correspondent

**B**JP's Leader of opposition in Parliament (Lok Sabha) - Sushma Swaraj once again reiterates and firms up its' Telangana statehood stand as that of a non-compromising one and devoid of any political connotations in the wake of rumours of a possible tie up with TDP amidst pro-Seemandhra stance taken by Venkaiah Naidu's (conspicuous by his absence at the Mahabubnagar Meeting) stand in Rajya Sabha. Firebrand Sushma makes BJP's strong commitment on Telangana state formation clear based on the historical suppression of human rights and livelihood which continued from ages till today resulting in migration of people in search of livelihood like-infamous Palamuru labour inspite of the enormous resources present in Mahabubnagar district.

She also took TJAC Chairman-Kodandaram on board saying that people of

Telangana should counsel wisdom as they are on the victorious path in deference to Seemandhra people who are on agitation path ever since the UPA government began its preparations for bifurcating the state. She also sets a deadline for congress party high command that they should table the bill on T-state in the ensuing winter session while addressing the concerns of others (as done by NDA in the past) lest BJP would agitate for Telangana state formation in the company of the TJAC for a logical end exposing congress by all means.

Veteran Telangana leader Nagam Janardhan Reddy credits special mention by BJP-President Kishan Reddy along with Yennam Srinivas Reddy for their untiring efforts to make Palamuru Garjana addressed by BJP's grand leader Sushma Swaraj, a grand success. Nagam in his characteristic style



lambasted AP Chief Minister - N Kiran Kumar Reddy - Congress, TDP as the ones hindering the progress on Telangana Note while reminding everyone of the role of BJP and in particular Sushma Swaraj in Parliament to highlight agitation and state excesses. BJP President Kishan Reddy while echoing similar sentiments reminded about the commitment of BJP while exposing the congress's double standards. Sushma began her speech in Telugu to the cheers of a big gathering while paying homage to all those youth who martyred for the cause of Telangana.

Certainly a big set back to all those self styled Seemandhrites who were trying to poach on BJP's future alliance partner boss - who played a major role to put on hold December 9th 2009 statement on T.. Once bitten twice shy.....! ♦

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## CM defies oath to spit Venom

By Dr T Siva Prasad Reddy-Special Correspondent

**I**n a widely telecasted media conference on Friday-27/9/2013-CM-KKR left no one in doubt about the tone and tenor as he continued to pursue his favoured line-samaikya Andhra/united state. As never witnessed in the past a Chief Minister who is supposed to take cognizance of problems irrespective of regions or otherwise acts in total deference of that. CM not only talks like one that of a regional leader (Seemandhra) but at the same time clearly defies the very official oath (of no discrimination of what so ever against region or otherwise) which he swear upon at the time of anointment as CM. Initial ten minutes was devoted to making a superficial appeal to APNGO's (in the wake of High Court's serious remarks on govt's conduct) to call off the strike in the interest of suffering Seemandhra public. Sooner than later CM-KKR shifted gears to take upon himself the mantle of one like that of an Seemandhra agitationist by stooping to such levels culminating in a biased favour of united andhra to defy logic based reasoning on Telangana state demand-which has been in the public domain for close to five decades as reasoned by a senior congress functionary.

Against Telangana-devoid of logic..! - CM-KKR's infamous media outburst/class ran on similar lines as far as Telangana is concerned. Again same rhetoric on water, Hyderabad, employment etc as in the previous media conferences. His tirade mostly centered on sharing of waters once the state is divided which would affect roots of Seemandhra region. He quotes that both Nagarjuna Sagar and Srisailem were possible in united state. Can anyone be so innocent and unaware that it is Telangana in common which had lost thousands of acres (1.6 lakh acres in CM's own words..) of land for both the projects in Mahabubnagar (Srisailem) and Nalgonda (Nagarjuna Sagar) in comparison to Seemandhra, but who is enjoying the lion share of such waters, power..? Is it not Seemandhra at the cost of Telangana..?! How can one forget that way back in 1903 itself the then Nizam ruler of Hyderabad state got land survey done for now famed Nagarjuna Sagar? How can CM forget the history? Then why and how did united state in and after 1956 sacrifice

our gravity based projects on Godavari (now Babil), on Krishna (Almati now) inspite of such similar surveys with financial sanctions to ground those projects by Nizam on the name of chauvinistic linguistic platform? Is it not to see that Telangana-erstwhile Hyderabad is deprived of its gravity waters so that Seemandhra can exploit the same for their selfish needs? Then why didn't the so called world famed technocrats along with politicians in decision making all from Seemandhra foresee such type of problem? Did they taken for granted that Telanganites would never become such intelligent to question on their rightful share of waters and if defied demand erstwhile Hyderabad or Telangana as being witnessed now? Is CM-KKR and his famed advisors were not aware of such water injustices to Telangana and the logical demand for a Telangana state in that context? Can a CM be so vindictive to one region-Telangana by espousing the cause of Seemandhra?! Isn't it against the oath? CM and his advisors have to come out with a white paper on each region's share of waters and projects since 1956 along with actual utilization as on date-this would certainly expose the myth or double talk.

Employees topic has been very incorrectly depicted as Telanganites are the ones who have been deprived of their share-that's why 610 G.O., Girglani Committee-isn't CM aware of that? How came Seemandhrites are in majority heading 80% of the departments? Then who is the loser CM? Same is the case with lands in and around Hyderabad as many a Seemandhrite-businessmen cornered all such costly lands for a song to get benefitted in various ways..Isn't that a fact-CM?

Against congress high command - in anticipation of..! -CM-NKKR's caustic remarks about the present congress high command in comparison to Nehru-Indira time legacy in regards to the state were in total contrast to his established stand which left the hardcore congress loyalist dazed and left them in total disbelief. He openly questioned the congress party's highest decision making body-CWC's credibility in taking a decision favouring Telangana state unanimously. His sarcastic

remarks in regards to AICC In-charge of the state-Digvijay Singh also is certainly unbecoming of a congress chief minister and certainly categorizes as that of disobedience and indiscipline by questioning the party legacy on decision making. He also states that all parties should obey the dictates of people forgetting that congress took the decision at the fag end after all parties gave their official nod favouring Telangana and in that too after number of consultations with both Seemandhra and Telangana party leaders including CM himself-Isn't this a fact? Did CM come to know that congress high command is on the verge of changing or.... Is this talk only out of such desperation to salvage his position politically in the face of various inadequacies.... Has he developed a sense of insecurity after the release of YS Jagan?

Telangana Congress Leaders blast CM-Close on the heels of media conference by CM-NKKR, T leaders-Jana Reddy-Minister for Panchayat Raj, Shabbir Ali, Palvai Govardhan Reddy, Komatireddy Venkat Reddy and others condemned his comments as unbecoming of a CM. They ridiculed his demand that post division of the state there would be water wars. All leaders unanimously derided his open defiance of party high command and demanded that he should resign on his own when he feels uncomfortable with the decision and as such he has no right to continue in the post. Whatever position they are in, everyone should respect and honour CWC's decision as a loyal party worker lest party would know what measures they have to take to tide over such crisis countered T congress leaders. They also dared CM that if he continues to incite and inflame Seemandhrites by raking up false insecurities on Telangana statehood they would also be forced to adopt the same line in T region but with doubled intensity and the result would be there for everyone to visualize and think...They also pointed to the unhealthy accumulation of wealth resulting in cornering media houses and.... as the factors for such defiance.

TRS-KCR demands for ousting of CM-NKKR for his open defiance of party high command-demands CM-NKKR for sharing

evidences of development of T region by utilizing their assured share lest...In a similar way he also snubbed Ashok Babu of Seemandhra NGO's for his dictatorial attitude in cornering Telanganites rightful job and still want to continue the same tyranny. He reminded congress high command about the imposing and cheating nature of Seemandhrites as seen in open defiance by CM-whom Sonia foisted on A.P, still the same lobby are out to destroy the legacy of the party...Now congress party high command should understand the attitude of Seemandhrites who have been an imposing character on Telangana all the while as they are turning out to be to the party high command in their open defiance...

CPI-Secretary Narayana expressed dissatisfaction and shocks at the way CM-NKKR went about his media jig ridiculing facts on Telangana and speaking as a representative of Seemandhra and trying to ignite them. He also condemned the mute attitude of congress party high command post July 30th decision on Telangana and their failure to rope in their own CM. BJP President Kishan Reddy in similar reaction echoed the same feelings and expressed surprise as how a CM can stoop to such levels betraying the oath and acting as if to safeguard only one region while deliberately fanning the protests...

TJAC Chairman Kodandaram recalls his past comments that CM-NKKR is a jackal in hiding and out to scuttle the T state and vehemently demanded that he should be thrown out of the office and gave a call to T ministers in cabinet to come out and resign paving way for easing out a partisan, biased personality NKKR-unfortunately CM of the state.

One has to have knowledge of the history of resources (natural, human and others) pertaining to different regions and their judicial rightful usage as enshrined in the constitution which is their due or listen to such minds who are statesmen and authority on such to govern a state or country selflessly without any prejudice or hidden agenda lest. ♦

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# PM must retire gracefully

The entire nation watched in shock and dismay as Congress Vice President Rahul Gandhi on Friday blasted the union cabinet's decision to pass an ordinance to shield convicted criminals in Parliament and legislatures terming the piece of legislation as "nonsense" and "should be torn up and thrown away". The Ordinance is before President Pranab Mukherjee for his assent.

In fact, there is nothing wrong in dynamo Rahul Gandhi expressing his reservations on the ordinance as he has every right as a MP and a member of Congress top brass. But, the manner in which he barged into the media conference that was being addressed by the party media department head Ajay Maken and condemning the Ordinance was far from decency and decorum especially considering his position in the ruling congress party.

Rahul is no small kid not to remember that Prime Minister Manmohan Singh was on trip abroad that too in the USA and was about to meet US President Barrak Obama hours after this media statement. It is highly unlikely that Rahul was unmindful that it was not proper for him to publicly attack an Ordinance cleared by the Union Cabinet headed by his party Prime Minister who is double his age.

Of course, there is a divided opinion within the ruling party over the relevance of the Ordinance after a recent Supreme Court verdict directed that the convicted criminals should not be allowed to

contest in elections. The present law permits them to contest, if their appeal is pending before an upper court. The SC judgment prevented this escape route.

The ruling Congress was under pressure from within and outside from its allies like RJD, DMK and other parties to ensure that the convicted leaders should be allowed to contest the polls. Rahul told the media that his party leaders had told them that the ordinance

sent to the President. Or he could suggest some amendments to the same Ordinance when it is bound to come before the Parliament for its ratification during the winter session.

But, Rahul ignored all these concerns and chose to mar the courtesies that are extended to an elected Prime Minister. Of course, we all know that Manmohan Singh is a 'nominated' political executive known for his docile

trying to project himself as someone above all the maladies in the contemporary polity. This reminds us of his late father Rajiv Gandhi's abrasive behaviour of insulting late Chief Minister T Anjaiah in front of all at Begumpet airport in 1982. Remember how it cost the Congress party in AP for a long time. That one episode was enough for late NT Rama Rao to start a regional political party – whip up passions among the people and encash their sentiment with one slogan called 'Telugu pride and Self respect' and how it is being mortgaged to the mercy of Delhi based Congress party.

Of course, both Rahul and his mother Sonia Gandhi quickly realized the insult meted out to Manmohan Singh today and reached out to him over phone. Rahul even wrote a letter to the PM saying that he had full faith in his leadership. Sonia tried to control the damage done to the image of the PM and is understood to have did a lot of explanation and urged him not to take it to his heart. Knowing Manmohan Singh, he would not reveal any hurt. In fact, he has endured many such humiliations cast at him.

But, Deccan Post thinks that it is high time that Manmohan Singh quits immediately and restores his self-respect and also that of the functional authority vested in his high office. After all, a Prime Minister's self-respect is nothing but a reflection of the quality of leadership prevailing in the country. ♦

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was being brought due to political considerations. "Everyone does it, Congress does it, BJP does, RJD does and SP does it," he went on attacking.

True, but, he may be anxious to change the present day polity that is mostly criminalized; there are ways he can do it. Couldn't he wait till the PM returned to India in 2-3 days and plead with him to recall the draft Ordinance

and submissive conduct before the Gandhi family. In fact, Manmohan Singh several times in the past said that he was ready to vacate his post, if Rahul Gandhi is ready to take over.

But, it appears that Rahul Gandhi is not ready to take any direct responsibility. He instead enjoys embarrassing his party headed government and also his congress party by making radical statements and

## Will they sack Kiran for Anarchy in State?

With the politics is at its peak in Hyderabad in the name of separation of Telangana it appears inevitable that their will be change in the guard in the state affairs and incumbent chief minister Kiran Kumar Reddy will be sacked for sponsoring and out and out support for United Andhra Pradesh movement in the 13 districts of Andhra and Rayalaseema regions. It appears that the CM already dared the congress party and its



high command to take any action against him but he will not heed to creation of separate state of Telangana resulting in an open declaration of war against the party leadership. While speculations are rife that there would be President's rule in Andhra Pradesh but nobody knows what is in store for the future. I have observed that your

cover stories are much accurate than any other publications which normally write on the base of speculations and guesses. With the revolt of CM Nallari and few ministers of the state the congress party leadership will not hesitate to sack Nallari and go ahead with the process of creation of Telangana state as congress is known for taking tough action against the dissidents and defiant politicians of their known party.

Y Narasimha, Nampally

## APHC's decision to 'rectify' is welcome

Your last week's editorial regarding the judgment delivered by the Andhra Pradesh High Court for giving compensations to the Muslim youth who have been implicated in criminal cases. There were a lot of youth who have been picked up by the Police without substantial evidence and merely on the basis of suspicion and later they were acquitted by the courts. When the judiciary is very active these days and not giving any lenience for any non sense by anyone, this judgment delivered by the High Court is definitely a

welcome one. Strangely no proper focus was given by major newspapers and news channels regarding this judgment and I don't remember anyone gave deserving importance to publish this all important judgment regarding the Muslim youth. Minorities should not be ignored in any way and I appeal all the newspapers and TV channels should publish important news related to the Minorities.

Syed Hussain, E-mail

## Fifty Thousand Acres.....

The announcement of new IT projects in and around Hyderabad by the Central Government especially in the midst of the new Land Acquisition Bill which was passed in the Parliament a debate has begun everywhere in the state. The Union



government will acquire 50,000 Acres of land to establish various IT and IT related industries to operate from here which will enable the able youth to get good jobs and will boom the economy of Hyderabad and there should be no doubt about it. But the people are politicizing this declaration too for their own gains. One must remember that our people are working abroad and in other states too in IT industry and it does not have any

connection with the Telangana.

Its high time that politicians should not politicize developmental programs initiated by the central government and contribute to the nation's growth.

G Radhika, ECIL

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# APNGOs must stop their illegal agitation

By EV Pushpa Vardhan

Strikes, demonstrations, agitations, bandhs, etcetera known by whatever nomenclature it may be but obstructing the functioning of the Government by its own employees is nothing but blatant violation of rule of law and the on going agitation presently being carried on by the AP Non Gazetted Officers in the 13 districts of Seemandhra region is causing great inconvenience to the common man and public at large for whose welfare the government servants are duty bound to serve. But the manner in which the present agitation is jointly conducted by APNGO's and APSRTC employees in the Seemandhara region is going on is gross abuse of the service rules and regulations framed by the government are violating the same and in clear terms it amounts to prima facie dereliction of their duties.

Whenever one gets selected for a government job upon assumption of office, he is specifically administered an oath that he will dissuade himself from engaging either individually or collectively in any sort of bargaining for any undue reasons especially against the government and its administrative policies. They are however at liberty as a citizen of the nation to demonstrate peacefully within the reasonable restrictions allowed by the Government rules for registering their protests, but as public servants they cannot undertake political movements paralyzing the state administrative machinery.

In the case of present agitation, it reflects the gross inability of the state government which not only failed in taking action against the employees of the state but is rather poorly perceived as supporting the agitation. Whenever there is a call for bandh for an unspecified period sine die, there is an impression in their minds that when they call off the bandh the total period will be reckoned under casual leave or at least under earned leave with all the benefits including the monetary reliefs. So, naturally everyone goes



for it because there is no loss or danger and there is every likelihood of being catapulted to the front row amidst the political class. When there is stringent action against the employees, they definitely are less inclined to call for unwarranted strikes and participate in such agitations.

Comparing with any civilized democratic country in the world, there is no country which allows its employees to call for and conduct the bandhs or hurthals. In some States in the US of America there is also ban to form associations of the public servants. Even in other states also such association cannot be formed except for the welfare of the employees. But in either case they cannot agitate against the Govt., or Public authority which is its employer.

Apart from various penal provisions in the IPC to take action against the public servant who disobeyed law with intent to cause injury to any person, there is another specific enactment namely, ESMA (Essential Services Maintenance Act) which is aimed to take action against the employees. Indian political class with its lackadaisical attitude towards welfare of the common man and is most of the

times unwilling to take action by itself nor does it allow the bureaucracy to take stringent steps towards prevention of such agitations. Till now, there is no single instance of such stringent action initiated. Of course, there are vested interests of the political leaders who are the ultimate beneficiaries of such agitations as such they nicely camouflage themselves as being helpless instead of nipping them in the bud.

Another funny aspect is that the TDP party during its days in power took some drastic steps to curb strikes by employees feels that its stringent action in curbing the striking employees resulted in its losing political power for two consecutive terms. Especially, the ire of the state government employees was well articulated on the election day, as was admitted by the leader of that party on several occasions in the past and by taking a lesson from the anecdote of the previous govt., the present government has gone into a virtual "ignorance is bliss" attitude. It is deliberately ignoring the present strike solely because of the regional interests that are closely linked to political as well as their economic interests.

Where several unemployed youth are

suffering from unemployment, the employees who are already in service are obstructing the process of filling up the posts, whereas as nearly one thirds of the total number of posts are kept vacant for one or the other reasons. There is another aspect that the transport department employees i.e., the APSRTC employees who are also on strike have ultimately caused a loss of nearly 600 crores rupees to the public exchequer, besides also creating hurdles to the common man and the poor blue-collar wage earners, who are entirely dependent upon public transportation. There is also another aspect that the haves who can squander the currency notes are travelling by air, train or at least by the private operated buses mostly AC Volvo buses which cannot be afforded by the have-nots. Even then the circumstances compels the poor to pay much high prices for the normal livelihood which in turn can be equated with a saying 'rob Peter to pay to Paul' at the cost of the common man and public exchequer which defeats the spirit of nationalization of the transportation as it is encouraging directly and hugely benefitting the private operators to mint money and causing huge loss to the public exchequer.

There may also be several instances that where all the private businesses such as private convent schools, cinema halls, restaurants, wine shops are running in normally as usual why the government offices and government schools alone remain forcibly closed. The poor are being denied the basic medical treatment in the Government Hospitals, the poor studying in Government schools are losing their means to study; which can set a bad atmosphere for poor children loosing interest in going to the school which will result in they completely abandoning their education and remain uneducated in the long run. This is definitely not the welfare state our founding fathers of freedom desired for our poor brethren. ♦

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# TIME FOR AMNESTY SCHEME ON BLACK MONEY?

By Jaywant Naidu

Black money refers to funds earned illegally on which taxes are not paid. The total amount of black money deposited in foreign banks by Indians is unknown. In February 2012, the director of the Central Bureau of Investigation said that Indians have \$ 500 billion of illegal funds in foreign tax havens, more than any other country. In March 2012, the Government of India clarified in the parliament that the CBI Director's statement on \$ 500 billion of illegal money was an estimate based on a statement made to India's Supreme Court in July 2011.

## MC JOSHI COMMITTEE ON BLACK MONEY:

After a series of ongoing demonstrations and protests across India, the government appointed a high-level committee headed by MC Joshi in June 2011 to study the generation and curbing of black money. The committee gave key observations and recommendations as follows:

1. Major national political parties claim to have incomes of merely Rs.500 crore (US \$ 77 million) and Rs 200 crore (US \$ 31 million). While they spend between Rs.10,000 crore (US\$1.5 billion) and Rs.15,000 crore (US \$ 2.3 billion) on election expenses alone.

2. Change maximum punishment under Prevention of Corruption Act from the present 3, 5 and 7 years to 2, 7 and 10 years rigorous imprisonment and also changes in the years of punishment in the Income Tax Act.

3. Taxation is a highly specialized subject. Based on domain knowledge, set up all-India Judicial Service and a National Tax Tribunal.

4. Just as the USA Patriot Act under which global financial transactions above a threshold limit (by or with Americans) get reported to law enforcement agencies, India should insist on entities operating in India to report all global financial transactions above a threshold limit.

5. Consider introducing an amnesty scheme with reduced penalties and immunity from prosecution to the people who bring back black money from abroad.

## TAX INFORMATION EXCHANGE AGREEMENTS:

To curb black money, India has signed TIEA with 10 countries -Bahamas, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Isle of Man, the Cayman, Jersey, Monaco, St. Kitts and Nevis, Argentina and the Marshall Islands - where money is believed

process reduces black money, suggests the white paper.

**Economic liberalization:** The report suggests that non-tariff barriers to economic activity such as permits and licences, long delays in getting approvals from government agencies are an incentive to proceed with underground economy and hide black money.

**Reforms in vulnerable sectors of the economy:** Certain vulnerable sectors of Indian economy are more prone to

permits, bullion and non-profit organizations.

**Creating effective credible deterrence:** Effective and credible deterrence is necessary in combination with reforms, transparency, simple processes, elimination of bureaucracy and discretionary regulations.

**Supportive measures:** Along with deterrence, the report suggests public awareness initiatives must be launched. Public support for reforms and compliance are necessary for long term solution to black money. In addition, financial auditors of companies have to be made more accountable for distortions and lapses. The report suggests Whistleblower laws must be strengthened to encourage reporting and tax recovery.

**Amnesty:** Amnesty programs have been proposed to encourage voluntary disclosure by tax evaders. These voluntary schemes have been criticized on the grounds that they provide a premium on dishonesty and are unfair to honest taxpayers, as well as for their failure to achieve the objective of unearthing undisclosed money.

**International enforcement:** India has Double Tax Avoidance Agreements with 82 nations, including all popular tax haven countries. Of these, India has expanded agreements with 30 countries which requires mutual effort to collect taxes on behalf of each other, if a citizen attempts to hide black money in the other country. The report suggests that the Agreements be expanded to other countries as well to help with enforcement.

**Modified Currency Notes:** Government printing of such legal currency notes of highest denomination i.e. Rs.1,000 and Rs 500 which remain in the market for only 2 years. After a 2-year period is expired there should be a one year grace

period during which these currency notes should be submitted and accepted only in bank accounts. Following this grace period, the currency notes will cease to be accepted as legal tender or destroyed under the instructions of The Reserve Bank of India. As a consequence turning most of the unaccountable money into accountable and taxable money.

## BLACK MONEY AND INDIA:

India is among the top 10 developing countries in the world with a black money outflow of \$ 1.6 billion (Rs. 8,720 crore), a few years back.

The total outflow of black money from India since independence until 2010 was \$ 232 billion, generally in the form of corruption, bribery and kickbacks. The cumulative value of illicit assets held by Indians during the same period is estimated to be \$ 487 billion.

The finding that only 27.8% of India's illicit assets are held domestically supports the argument that the desire to amass wealth illegally without attracting government attention is one of the primary motivations behind the cross-border transfer of illicit capital.

## ASIA/PACIFIC GROUP ON MONEY LAUNDERING (APG):

The Asia/Pacific Group on Money Laundering (APG) was officially established as an autonomous regional anti-money laundering body in February 1997 at the Fourth (and last) Asia/Pacific Money Laundering Symposium in Bangkok, Thailand. The purpose of the APG is to facilitate the adoption, implementation and enforcement of internationally accepted anti-money laundering and anti-terrorist financing standards set out in the recommendations of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF). The APG's role includes assisting jurisdictions in the region to enact laws dealing with the proceeds

of crime, mutual legal assistance, confiscation, forfeiture and extradition. It also includes the provision of guidance in setting up systems for reporting and investigating suspicious transactions and helping in the establishment of financial intelligence units. The APG undertakes studies of methods and trends of money laundering and the financing of terrorism in the Asia/Pacific region. The APG allows for regional factors to be taken into account in the implementation of anti-money laundering and anti-terrorist financing

terrorist financing. The work to be done by the APG and its procedures is decided by consensus agreement among its members. India became a member of the APG in March, 1998.

## DIRECTORATE OF ENFORCEMENT:

The Directorate of Enforcement was established in the year 1956 with its Headquarters at New Delhi. It is responsible for enforcement of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (FEMA) and certain provisions under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act. Work relating to

relating to activities such as 'hawala' foreign exchange racketeering, non-realization of export proceeds, non-repatriation of foreign exchange and other forms of violations under FEMA, 1999.

- To adjudicate cases of violations of the erstwhile FERA, 1973 and FEMA, 1999.
- To realize penalties imposed on conclusion of adjudication proceedings.
- To handle adjudication, appeals and prosecution cases under the erstwhile FERA, 1973.
- To process and recommend cases for preventive detention under the Conservation of Foreign Exchange and Prevention of Smuggling Activities Act. (COFEPSA)
- To undertake survey, search, seizure, arrest, prosecution action etc. against offender of PMLA offence.
- To provide and seek mutual legal assistance to/from contracting states in respect of attachment/confiscation of proceeds of crime as well as in respect of transfer of accused persons under PMLA.

## FINANCIAL INTELLIGENCE UNIT - INDIA (FIU-IND):

Financial Intelligence Unit - India was set by the Government of India vide O.M. dated 18th November 2004 as the central national agency responsible for receiving, processing, analyzing and disseminating information relating to suspect financial transactions. FIU-IND is also responsible for coordinating and strengthening efforts of national and international intelligence, investigation and enforcement agencies in pursuing the global efforts against money laundering and related crimes. FIU-IND is an independent body reporting directly to the Economic Intelligence Council (EIC) headed by the Finance Minister.

Is it the right time to unearth Black Money with an Amnesty scheme in an ensuing 'ELECTION YEAR'? ♦

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to have been stashed away. India and Switzerland, claims a report, have agreed to allow India to routinely obtain banking information about Indians in Switzerland from the 1st April 2011.

**WHITE PAPER:** In its white paper on black money, India has made the following proposals to tackle its underground economy and black money.

**Reducing disincentives against voluntary compliance:** Excessive tax rates increase black money and tax evasion. Lower taxes and simpler compliance

underground economy and black money than others. Effective reforms are needed in vulnerable sectors like real estate, gold business etc. Old and complicated laws such as the Urban Land Ceiling Regulation Act and Rent Control Act need to be repealed, property value limits and high tax rates eliminated, while Property Title Certification system dramatically simplified.

Other sectors of Indian economy needing reform, as identified by the report, include equity trading market, mining



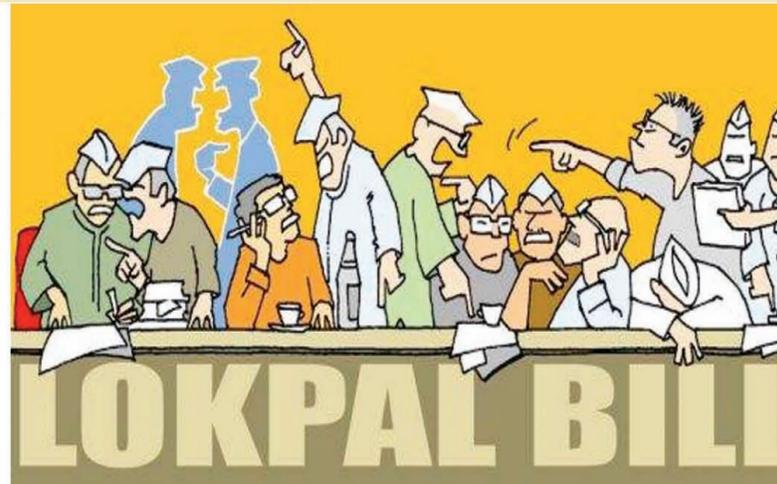
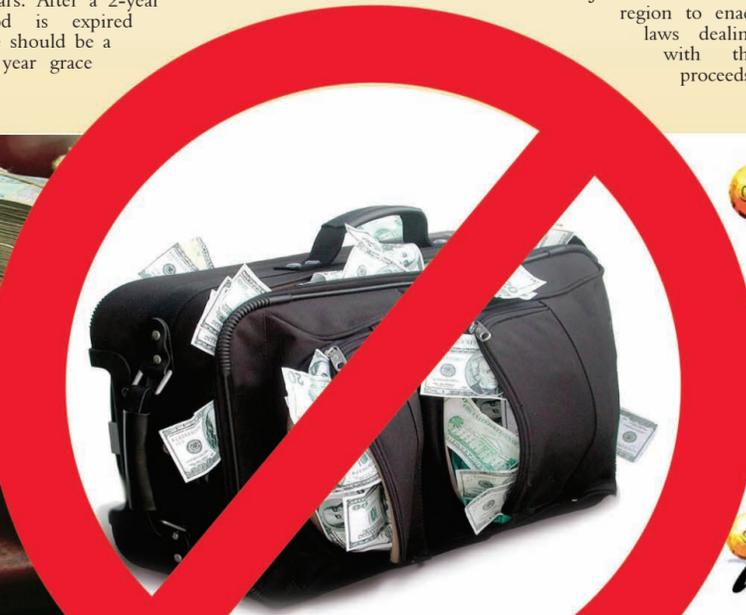
measures and provides for peer review by means of a mutual evaluation process.

The APG is a voluntary and co-operative international body established by agreement among its members and is autonomous. It does not derive from an international treaty nor is it part of any international organization. However, it keeps itself informed of action taken or formal agreements made by relevant international and regional organizations or bodies in order to promote a consistent global response to money laundering and

investigation and prosecution of cases under the PML has been entrusted to Enforcement Directorate.

## Functions:-

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**Santa:** Tum bike itni tez q chla rhe ho?

**Banta:** Ye letter urgent dena hai

**Santa:** Kaha?

**Banta:** Address padhne ka time nai hai.

**Santa:** Ok go fast.!

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Boys will be boys!!!

**Boy :** Kal main tumhare ghar gaya tha,

lagta hai ab hamari shaadi nahin hogi.

**Girl :** Kyun ?

Papa se mile the kya ?

**Boy :** Nahin, tumhaari chhoti behen se mila tha.

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China ko cricket kyu nhi khelne dete ??

Kyu ki Technical problem hai

Sab k face 1 jaise hote hai jo out ho jaye woh muh dho

k phir se aa sakta hai...

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**Customer:** Mujhe phone per dhamkiya mill rahi hai.

**Police:** Kaun hai woh jo aapko dhamkiya de raha hai?

**Customer:** Telephone wale bolte hai ke, "Bill nahi bharoge toh kaat denge.

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**HEALTH TIPS**

Taking heavy meals in short durations without earlier meals properly digested produces toxins.

**Kala Viruddha (Time against):** Intake of cold and dry substances in winter, Pungent and hot substances in summer.

Combination of fruit salad, milk & banana should be avoided.

One should not take fish along with milk because this combination is Abhishyandi (great obstructor for channels), it vitiates blood.

Using Yoghurt with Milk, Fish with Milk, ACHAR (Pickle) with Milk, Honey with Ghee (Butter) are some VIRUDHA AHARA (in competent food) if taken together, they produce a lot of toxins in our body.

Drinking cold water after taking hot tea or coffee is bad (virudha).

Consuming Curd at night is not advised.

Health Care During Rainy Season : Do-take Honey with Food.

**SUDOKU 289**

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	6			8			4	
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**How to play :** Fill in the grid so that every horizontal row, every vertical column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 to 9, without repeating the numbers in the same row, column or box. You can't change the digits already given in the grid. Every puzzle has one solution.

**ANSWERS**

**Sudoku-288**

5	2	8	3	1	4	7	6	9
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3	8	1	6	2	9	5	4	7
4	7	9	1	5	8	6	2	3
8	3	5	9	6	2	1	7	4
1	4	2	5	7	3	8	9	6
6	9	7	8	4	1	2	3	5

Answer 288: B Srinivas, Kukatpally

**ASTRO FOCUS**

Sept 29 - Oct 5, 2013

**Aries:** Your present situation represents your own test of your power and endurance. Finances will definitely improve. New ventures and projects are quite likely. It is difficult for you to keep up your promise or your word. There is possibility that you would receive a suitable job opportunity too. It's a very favourable week for people looking for a change in career.

**Taurus:** This week you will find pleasure in unusual yet simple ways. Work and business prospects are likely to improve this week. Look into project that will help you earn some extra money. Your colleagues and coworkers are not likely to extend much support. Clear thinking with a bit of diplomacy will ensure that you emerge a clear winner.

**Gemini:** Increase in responsibility will definitely improve your monetary benefits. Reevaluate your job situation or business activities and

find means to strengthen your position. Great opportunities could knock at your door and this could be an important turning point. Secrets and important information should not be disclosed. Journeys will bring in happiness, but prove very expensive for your pocket.

**Cancer:** Your pioneering efforts are bound to yield favorable results. You will also receive valuable advice about career from a matured person. Income from new sources is likely towards the middle of the week. Overseas travel or benefits from foreign land for some. You nurture romantic friendship by amicably resolving all conflicts.

**Leo:** This week you should get ready for a big surprise. A fresh approach would certainly improve your efficiency as well as profits. You will spend money on buying some unique gifts. You hold the center stage at home and you motivate youngsters and impress sen-

iors. Love life will be full of favorable opportunities for a relationship or friendship with someone you are attracted to.

**Virgo:** You will receive immense recognition and appreciation for your efforts. On financial front, you have to take maximum care. Control your wasteful expenditure. Arguments and confrontations should be strictly avoided. Your social honor will be on the high side. Your wife will give her maximum cooperation to you in your efforts.

**Libra:** You have to make strenuous efforts to bring personal and professional matters to a satisfactory point. Inflow of income from various sources during this week is indicated. This week is a good time for job hunters. Utilize every opportunity that comes into your way. Foreign related matters would take shape. You will enjoy various kinds of happiness.

**Scorpio:** Your luck is better and your financial status will give your gain in this week. Your decisions

would be widely accepted by people around you. Your dreams might come true in this week. Interacting with eminent people would bring you good ideas and plans. Businessmen will explore new and more profitable avenues. Handle situations with care and caution.

**Sagittarius:** Several good professional opportunities are likely to come your way. You may derive the maximum benefit from the available opportunities. Financial gains are likely especially for those in creative line. Start planning for a rare opportunity that will soon be in their hands. Good prospects for new entrepreneurs. Home improvement projects that you undertake would run smoothly.

**Capricorn:** The sudden influence of someone very powerful and influential would bring a new direction to your career. Recognition of your hard work in the recent past and an elevation in your social status would add to your sense of achievement. Excitement over new projects and financial gains will en-

ergies you. Students will do well in their educational accomplishments. Go out with close friends who understand your situation and your needs.

**Aquarius:** Your home and personal life could be a source of encouragement and strength, provided you are willing to listen to the wise counsel. The employed will get opportunity to elevate their professional career further. Your personal friends and family members will extend excellent cooperation to you. You are a true romantic with equal share of passion thrown into intimate relationship.

**Pisces:** New projects will be alluring and hard hour will ensure outstanding gains in the long run. You'll attract more respect and honor from people young as well as old. Bold steps and decisions would put you in a better position in your organization. Friends are most helpful this week when they provide inside career tracks. Your relationship could be better if you devote your much time with your partners.

# Work with humility

National Squash Champion Joshna Chinappa was in Hyderabad for the inauguration of the 'Nike' Showroom and spoke to Deccan Post.

## How did you take up squash?

My father Anjan Chinappa would regularly play squash in Madras Cricket Club. Squash has been in my family from ages with my great grandfather Late Field Marshal KM Cariappa.

## What have been your major achievements?

I was the first Indian girl to win the British Squash Championship title in 2003 in the under 19 category, at Sheffield, UK and was also the youngest Indian women's national champion. I also won the Gold medal at the South Asian Federation Games in the year 2004. I am the first beneficiary of the 40 core Trust. In May 2012, I defeated Sarah Jane Perry of England to win the Chennai Open.

## How is the sport of squash doing in India?

There are many players like

Saurav Ghosal, Deepika Pallikal, Siddharth Suchde and Harinder Sandhu playing on the international circuit. This is bringing more recognition to the sport. Squash is a happening sport in India but has to move in many smaller cities.

## What is the way out for this sport to become more accessible for people of India?

Squash is mostly played in clubs in India. Therefore, only club members can afford to play it. The membership fee could be high or membership of club not available. There is a need to develop squash courts which can be available for the common man. Corporates should also come forward in this work. More tournaments should be conducted and financial aid given to children for participation in the sport.

## How do you tackle injury problems in this profession?

I had a ligament tear on my right knee while playing a semi-final match against Samanta Cornett of Canada in a tournament in the US in August

2011. I soon returned to Chennai and underwent a surgery. I was out of the game for 10 months, a period when my ranking fell down. I took help of a rehabilitation expert Ahmed Yousif and recovered.

## How do you feel about your achievements and what is the essence of life?

Every match is a process of learning and education. One needs to be fit always. Fitness is the key for us to remain in this sport. Many achievers like PT Usha and Rahul Dravid are so humble in behaviour. It's very important to keep working with humility. Nicol David, a rock star in her country, is a very down to earth person. An example of a great achiever being humble.

## What are your future plans?

Topping the Asian Games and the Commonwealth Games is my goal. I want to work with the youth. ♦

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## Controversy Queen is back!

The controversy queen Veena Malik is back again with her new flick Super Model even though we all requested her not to. But anyway, Super Model is directed by Navin Batra who has attempted to take a shot at this dark world of glamour and makes it all fictional by adding murder and suspense. The story begins with a liquor tycoon (Harsh Chhaya) who wants a model for his new brand of wine and has a contest running in search of a beautiful model. He assigns a photographer (Ashmit Patel) for the contest.

Ashmit Patel sets up a bikini calendar shoot contest in Fiji Island where Veena Malik and other four models compete to win this golden opportunity. But things start going wrong when every model is murdered one by one leaving Veena Malik and all the fingers eventually pointing towards her. Jackie Shroff claims that every girl has a secret desire to become something big in this world of glamour and glitz and that is supposed to set our mindset upon one thing that the model participating in the contest can do anything and everything to win it. And this is when YOU will do anything and everything to leave the theatre. The screenplay is DRAGGED and makes you yawn almost every second. Probably the bikini photo shoot of the models was the best part of the film as there is nothing and absolutely nothing left for you to admire.



## Bebo booby-trapping?

Kareena Kapoor is on a roll these days, and is on every filmmakers/ad makers wish list, irrespective of the brand. The latest buzz is that, the actress was offered to be a part of an anti aging cream brand, and the makers were willing to give her a blank cheque (Muh boli kimat), considering how popular she is, today.

But guess what happened? Bebo, instead of jumping with joy, turned into an angry young woman and gave a good piece of her mind



to her agency, for having even considered the offer. On the other hand, Bebo's agency considered the offer keeping in mind the huge pay cheque. Apparently, if a source is to be believed, Kareena did not take the offer in a good way, considering she is just 30 something. And hence, she was very pissed with everyone around her.

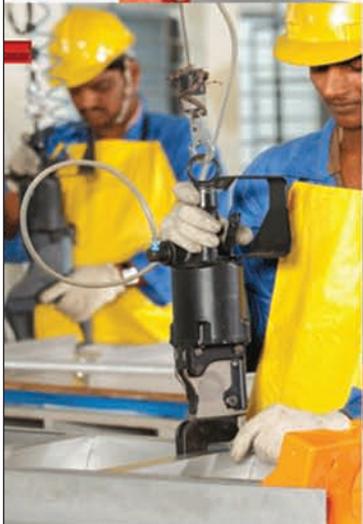
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# Market continues reactionary trend

By V Sundar Raja

The Indian stock market was seen in a profit booking mode and the market sentiment indicator Sensex has declined to three week low, after an earlier overheated market. Sensex has lost by nearly 1,000 points in the last few days and has failed to sustain above the key psychological support of 20,000 levels, indicating further short-term caution. Market is closer to the long-term resistance levels, the American stock market has witnessed a correction trend, while the foreign and domestic funds are seen cautious at current higher levels, and the unexpected hike in the interest rates by the Reserve Bank of India has also surprised the market. A leading rating agency has downgraded the Indian Banks and the non-performing loans are expected to be higher, leading to a reactionary trend in the banking stock in the last few days. Many frontline stocks and mid-cap stocks too were subject to selling pressure, indicating broad-based selling pressure.

The precious commodity Gold has found a support at 29,500 levels, in the commodity market, and it is expected to move in a short-term range of 32,000 and 29,000 levels. Only in-case of any failure to sustain above the major support of 29,000 levels, then it indicates a further short-term correction for the traders to be cautious. Silver has strong barrier at 50,000 levels and it needs to break-out of this resistance to enter into a short-term



ascending trend, for the traders to consider a buy position in the commodity market. The Crude Oil has strongly declined by about 1,000 Rupees on the MCX commodity market from the recent high of 7,500. The commodity

technically, has the next major support below at 6,200 levels, where the current downtrend can halt and then it can get into a consolidation mode in the short-term, for the traders to be alert.

The Indian Rupee continued its appreciating trend against the Dollar, from the recent low of 68 to current 62 levels. Many analysts are expecting the Dollar to find support at 60, and then can witness a sideways trend. Many leading base metals like Copper, Aluminum, Zinc, Nickel, Lead are seen stabilizing at current levels, in the last one week and are even showing signs of a possible short-term uptrend, for the commodity traders to be prepared.

Stock market is now awaiting the crucial Current Account Deficit data which is expected to be announced on 30th September, which is expected to be a next major trigger for the market. Institutional activity needs to be watched in the next few days, for a clear indication. The quarterly results are expected to start in 2nd week of October, which can provide a major direction for the stock market. Technically on the charts, Sensex by failing to sustain above the major support of 20,000, it has slipped into a correction trend for the short-term investors to be cautious. Market has the next major support below at 19,000, where it needs to consolidate strongly to indicate a positive trend. ♦

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**Note - Investors should be aware of risks in the stock market.**

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