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Operation Gaja shines spotlight on Chittoor's kumkis

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190-Ramapuram is a nondescript village in the Gudipala mandal of Andhra Pradesh's Chittoor district, close to the boundary with Tamil Nadu.

It made headlines on the dawn of August 30, when a lone wild elephant in musth trampled a farmer-couple to death, critically injured three other villagers, and killed about 10 head of cattle.

A few hours before it was captured on August 31, the wild elephant trampled a woman farmer at Bodinettam village near Katpadi in Tamil Nadu, before re-entering Chittoor district.

The jumbo continued to wreak terror in a dozen villages on the Chittoor-Tamil Nadu boundary till the evening of August 31.

The lone elephant, considered "very dangerous" by the Forest Department, had made its way to the thin forest range of Gudipala mandal, straying from its habitat in the Maharaia Kadai forests of Tamil Nadu 140 km away, crisscrossing jungle patches and fields along the way.

A team of forest officials from Chittoor rushed to Ramapuram village. About 100 personnel, including watchers, animal trackers and beat officers from six ranges in Chittoor and Tirupati districts were deployed for 'Operation Gaja'



Jumbo rescue: Kumkis Jayanth and Vinayak with a wild elephant at 190-Ramapuram village in Chittoor. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

to subdue the lone elephant on rampage.

Drone at work *Kumkis* (trained elephants) Jayanth and Vinayak from the Naniyala Forest Camp

at Ramakuppam in the

Kuppam forest range were brought in special vehicles.

The search for the wild elephant continued from morning till late at night on Wednesday, but without success. By daybreak on Thursday, rumours spread

that an elephant had killed a woman farmer at Bodinettam village, a few kilometres away, in Tamil Nadu, confirming its location to somewhere within a radius of five kilometres. Forest Department offi-

cials then deployed a drone camera from Tirupati.

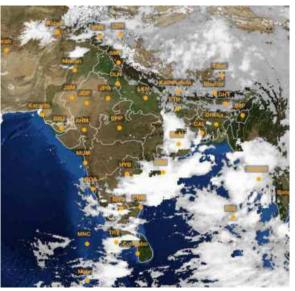
After a five-hour aerial survey, the elephant was found on a sugarcane field.

The two kumkis, led by the highly experienced mahouts, jumped into action. For a couple of hours, the wild jumbo desperately tried to get away from the forest personnel and the pursuing kumkis. Finally, when the exhausted elephant was standing under a tree, a tranquilliser dart was shot at it. In a few minutes, the two kumkis had accomplished their task. The sedated tusker was captured.

Slowly and steadily, with its head bent, the bull elephant followed the kumkis. After a medical examination, the captured elephant was shifted to a truck, which made its way to the S.V. Zoo Park in Tirupati, 80 km away.

Bidding adieu to the forest personnel and trumpeting a call of assurance to villagers, Vinayak and Jayanth boarded their vehicles and returned to their camp. Forest officials and villagers gave full credit to the trained jumbos for their critical role in Operation Gaja.

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



Forecast for Sunday: Heavy/very heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Gangetic West Bengal, Odisha, Telangana, coastal Andhra Pradesh, Yanam, Ravalaseema, central Maharashtra, north interior Karnataka, Kerala, Mahe and Andaman & Nicobar Islands

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4.00 p.m., Chhapra, Bihai quality index (AQI) score of 285 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast Ramanathapuram, Tamil Nadu recorded a healthy

Yesterday

50:: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important object

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Ready to face Lok Sabha election anytime: YSRCP

At a time when speculation is rife that Centre may go for early Lok Sabha election, the YSR Congress Party (YSRCP) has asserted that it is ready to face the election anytime. YSRCP State general secretary Sajjala Ramakrishna Reddy on Saturday said that if the election to the Lok Sabha seats is advanced to December, the gap for the Andhra Pradesh Assembly election would be four or five months. In such a scenario, the Assembly poll can also be advanced and conducted along with the Lok Sabha election. The YSRCP is ready to face the poll anytime. It is confident of retaining people's support, he said.

Will take all-party delegation to Delhi on Cauvery issue: CM

Siddaramaiah says as per water policy, priority should be given for drinking water and adds that Karnataka govt. would place the ground realities before the CWMA and the Supreme Court

The Hindu Bureau MYSURU

r arnataka Chief Mi-Siddaramaiah on Saturday said that his government would take an all-party delegation to New Delhi to meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Water Resources Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat on the issue of release of Cauvery river water to Tamil Nadu.

The Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) has directed Kar-



Siddaramaiah

nataka to release 5,000 cusecs water daily to Tamil Nadu for the next 15 days from August 29.

Speaking on the issue, Mr. Siddaramaiah said deficit rainfall in the Cauvery command area. However, as per water policy, priority should be given for drinking water, he said. "From where will we re-

there was crisis because of

lease that much without water? We will protect the interest of the State by safeguarding our drinking water needs and crops of our farmers. We will place the ground facts before the CWMA and the Supreme Court," he added.

"Our Water Resources Minister [D.K. Shivakumar] has met senior counsel ap-

a protest in all district centres on September 5 in support of its demand. (With PTI inputs)

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Meanwhile, the Karna-

taka Rajya Raitha Sangha

has reiterated its demand

to the government to stop

the release of water to Ta-

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stand," he said.

⁺ T.N. targets paddy procurement of 50 lakh tonnes for 2023-24

T. Ramakrishnan

Even as Tamil Nadu procured about 44.22 lakh tonnes of paddy during 2022-23, the State has set a target of 50 lakh tonnes for 2023-24, the procurement process for which commenced on Friday (September 1).

As per the plan drawn up by the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation (TNCSC) for the current year, the grade 'A' variety of paddy will account for 35 lakh tonnes and common variety, 15 lakh

account the minimum support price (MSP) fixed by the Union government, the State government determined the MSP as ₹2,310 a quintal for grade 'A' and ₹2,265 a quintal for common variety.

The two varieties carry the State government's incentive of ₹107 per quintal and ₹82 per quintal respec-

During 2022-23, a total of ₹9,453 crore would have been incurred towards the procurement, of which the State government's incentive component would

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in place with respect to posting of such officials.

Contemplating closure Conscious of pressure from "locally resourceful persons" in the management of affairs at the DPCs, authorities are even contemplating closing down such centres in the event of repeated complaints.

delta region.

At the same time, Collectors have been empowered to open the required number of DPCs of the TNCSC in the Cauvery

Medicine), on contractual basis. For details visit Council's Website www.ccras.nic.in, notification dated 28.08.2023. ्रदा दी सधाकर निदेशक (संस्थान)

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Veteran theatre actor passes away

The Hindu Bureau KOCHI

Veteran theatre and film actor Varghese Kattiparampan, 88, died at Kannankulangara, near Thripunithura, on Friday.

The funeral was held at St. Mary's Forane Church, Thripunithura, Saturday.

Born to Joseph and Mariam Kattiparambil, Mr. Kattiparampan was popularly referred to as 'Stagile Sathyan' (actor Sathyan on stage) for his resemblance to the renowned actor. He was known by the name Prasad in the Malayalam

film industry. Mr. Kattiparampan made his theatre debut through Nashikkatha Bhoomi staged by Navodaya Kalasamithi in 1954. The actor then associated with various theatre companies, including the Kairali Theatres, People Theatres, Vaikom Malavika, Angamaly Pournami,



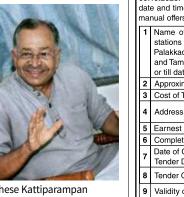
Varghese Kattiparampan

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He made his debut in movies through Anadha Shilpangal released in 1971.

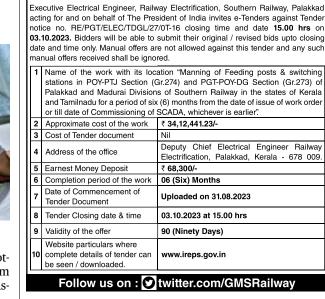
actors Sheela and Jayabharathi in *Sumangali and Lakshyam* respectively. Some of his movies include Shapamoksham, Varaphalam, and Ithiri Neram Othiri Karyam.



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He had also performed in dramas aired through

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