Technology most powerful tool in modern policing: Telangana DGP

Hyderabad, June 12 (UNI): Telangana Director General of Police (DGP) C.V. Anand on Friday said technology has become the most powerful tool in modern policing and its effective utilisation is crucial for crime prevention, investigation and combating cybercrime in the rapidly evolving digital landscape. Speaking after inaugurating an Advanced Computer Lab and She Cyber Lab at the CID Headquarters here, Anand said Telangana Police continues to remain at the forefront of technology adoption in the country and is consistently embracing innovative solutions to strengthen law enforcement and improve public service delivery. The newly established facility is equipped with an Artificial Intelligence (AI)-powered Smart Conference, Crime Analytics and Data Management System designed to enhance investigative capabilities and promote data-driven policing, he said. Anand said Telangana Police has earned a distinct reputation for leveraging technology in policing and has emerged as a model for police organisations across the country. "Since the formation of Telangana, the police department has consistently adopted innovative practices and advanced technological solutions. The state has made significant progress in cybercrime prevention, digital forensic investigations and data analytics, earning recognition at the national level," he said. The DGP said the department is continuously introducing technological innovations to modernise policing, improve investigative efficiency and ensure timely delivery of services to citizens. He highlighted the role of the recently introduced T-SPARK technology team, which is contributing significantly to technology-driven policing and innovation within the department. According to officials, the newly inaugurated system incorporates several advanced features aimed at improving operational efficiency and investigative processes. The AI-enabled system can automatically identify a speaker during meetings, direct cameras towards the speaker, zoom in automatically, and record high-quality video and audio. Discussions can be digitally captured, transcribed and stored for future reference. The system is also capable of recognising content displayed on digital screens and converting it into text, audio or report formats. Using AI-based analytics, it can process large volumes of data, facilitate crime mapping, filter information, analyse trends and support comprehensive case reviews. Another key feature is its ability to digitally record and preserve feedback from victims and complainants, enabling investigators to assess public responses, monitor case progress and improve the quality of investigations. Officials said the facility would also support faster and more efficient operations within the Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems (CCTNS), including case registration, data management, verification, analysis and correction of records wherever necessary. The DGP said adoption of such advanced technologies would improve accuracy in criminal investigations, enhance transparency, accelerate decision-making and strengthen overall policing effectiveness. He expressed confidence that the new facility would mark a significant milestone in the modernisation of Telangana Police and CID operations. The inauguration ceremony was attended by DG (ACB and CID), Charu Sinha; DIGs Naveen Kumar, Narayana Naik and Parimala Hana Nuthan; SP Maddipati Srinivas; and other senior CID officials.

Kishan Reddy distributes modern medical equipment to UPHCs

Hyderabad, June 12 (UNI): union Coal and Mines Minister G Kishan Reddy on Friday distributed modern medical equipment to Urban Primary Health Centres (UPHCs) at Shivaji Nagar, Sanathnagar, and SR Nagar Main Road, Ameerpet, to strengthen healthcare services in the Secunderabad Parliamentary constituency. The equipment provided included ECG machines, eye-testing devices (autorefractors), fully automated blood analysers and sterilisation units. A water cooler was also installed for the convenience of patients.

Speaking to the media, Kishan Reddy said the BJP was undertaking a programme to equip primary health centres across the constituency with modern medical facilities. He added that sheds, drinking water facilities and other basic amenities were also being developed at the centres. Highlighting the Centre's healthcare initiatives, the union Minister said Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Ayushman Bharat scheme was providing free medical treatment of up to Rs 5 lakh annually to eligible poor families. He also noted that the ESI Medical College and Hospital in Hyderabad and AIIMS Bibinagar had been significantly strengthened, adding that the AIIMS project was nearing completion and was expected to be dedicated to the people of Telangana next year.

MPDO, MPO and private individual caught by ACB in Rs one lakh bribery case

Mahabubabad, June 12 (UNI)

The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB), Warangal Range, on Friday caught an MPDO, an MPO and a private individual red-handed while allegedly accepting bribes in Mahabubabad district. According to the ACB statement, Ms Penugonda Radhika, MPDO of Narsimhulapet Mandal, K. Yakaiah, MPO, and C Nagarjuna, a private individual who is also the son of the MPDO, were caught while demanding and accepting bribes of Rs 20,000 and Rs 25,000 respectively from a complainant for extending an official favour related to layout development permissions. The accused allegedly sought the bribe for issuing instructions to the Panchayat Secretary of Padamatigudem village to mortgage 15.75 per cent of the complainant's land to the Gram Panchayat as security for layout development works. The MPDO allegedly accepted the bribe through her son, Nagarjuna, who was functioning as her personal assistant and driver. ACB officials said the accused officers had earlier demanded and accepted Rs 30,000 and Rs 25,000 respectively from the complainant for the same work. The tainted money was recovered from the possession of the MPO and Nagarjuna. The three accused were being arrested and produced before the Special Judge for SPE and ACB Cases, Warangal. Further investigation is underway. The identity of the complainant has been withheld for security reasons.

AISF demands fee regulation law, opposes closure of Govt schools

Hanumakonda, June 12 (UNI)

Former AISF National President Takkalapalli Srinivasa Rao on Friday demanded that the Telangana government immediately constitute a Fee Regulation Committee and enact legislation to curb what he termed the exploitative fee practices of private and corporate educational institutions. Addressing a round-table conference organised by the AISF district unit in Hanumakonda, he alleged that arbitrary fee hikes by private institutions were forcing parents into debt and called for strict action, including withdrawal of recognition for institutions violating norms. Srinivasa Rao also opposed the closure and merger of government schools on the grounds of low enrolment, stating that such measures would adversely affect students from rural, SC, ST, BC and other disadvantaged communities. Instead, he urged the government to strengthen public education by improving infrastructure, filling teacher vacancies, and providing digital classrooms, quality mid-day meals, textbooks and uniforms. Expressing concern over reports of reducing the number of government schools in the state, he said education is a fundamental right and not a commercial commodity. He also called for immediate measures to address infrastructure deficiencies in government schools, welfare hostels and residential educational institutions. Representatives of several student organisations participated in the meeting and resolved to launch a joint movement, if necessary, demanding regulation of private school fees, action against unauthorised institutions and strengthening of the public education system.