

Tourism dept, KSTDC, JLR to sponsor cricket teams: George

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@ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka Tourism Department, Karnataka State Tourism Development Corporation (KSTDC) and Jungle Lodges and Resorts (JLR) will sponsor Karnataka's men's, women's cricket teams and various age-group state cricket teams, said Energy and Tourism Minister KJ George on Thursday.

Speaking on the sidelines of the sponsorship and jersey unveiling event organised by Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA), George said partnerships would be taken up under the Active Karnataka initiative, which is aimed at creating a connection between sports and tourism.

George said, the objective is to promote tourism through sports and create new opportunities. "When Karnataka teams play across the country, the state's name reaches millions of people. We want to use the platform to showcase Karnataka's tourist destinations, culture and unique experiences," the minister said.



Contractual workers protest in front of MRPL a day after the refinery fire in Mangaluru on Thursday

MRPL announces ₹1.2 cr for family of worker killed in fire

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MANGALORE Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd (MRPL) on Thursday announced a financial assistance package of around Rs 1.2 crore for the family of contract worker Manish Karkada, who was killed in the fire that broke out at the refinery's Coker Hydrotreater Unit (CHTU) on Wednesday. The management also expressed grief over the death of Karkada and extended its condolences to his family.

While stating that no financial assistance could compensate for the loss of a precious life, the MRPL said it decided to provide Rs 90 lakh as financial support to the bereaved family. In addition, the family would receive about Rs 10 lakh under the Group Term Life Insurance (GTLI) scheme and Rs 20 lakh under the Workmen Com-

pensation Policy (WCP), taking the total financial assistance and insurance benefits to approximately Rs 1.20 crore.

The MRPL said it was working on extending Mediclaim insurance coverage for the secondary workforce, including contract workers. The plan would be finalised within four weeks after consultations with Dakshina Kannada MP Capt Brijesh Chowta and the Deputy Commissioner.

Earlier in the day, hundreds of contractual workers boycotted work and staged a protest in front of the MRPL, demanding Rs 1 crore as compensation, permanent employment for a member of the deceased's family and medical insurance for workers who are not covered under the Employees' State Insurance (ESI) scheme. Moodbidri MLA Umanatha Kotian was present at the protest site.

ENERGY DEPT TO REASSESS RESOURCE ADEQUACY PLAN

After a surge to 329MU in Sept, state's daily power demand drops by 30MU

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE demand for power in the state has now come down by around 30 million units (MU) per day after recording a steep increase in early September.

However, the constant fluctuations in demand and supply this year, particularly in September, has forced the energy department to reassess its resource adequacy plan (RAP).

Officials from the department said with the demand for power rising and the target to increase generation to 69 gigawatt in the next 10 years, the focus will be on attracting private firms not only to set up plants, but also sell power.

"Contractual agreements are being re-worked to purchase power from other states and from private firms. The government is looking at purchasing power from multiple sources, including thermal, nuclear and hydro. It is looking at a public private partnership (PPP) model where private players will sell power at the rates fixed by Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KERC). The private firms will procure land and generate power, the gov-

ernment will purchase power as and when required. They can also sell power in the open market. This is one of the plans for the next 10 years apart from increasing solar and wind power generation. The state's capital investment will be less," the officials said.

According to data, there is a 4-5% year-on-year rise in demand for power from urban areas and the industrial sector. The demand from irrigation pumpsets (IP sets) fluctuates.

The officials admitted that the maximum demand is from IP sets, where power has to be provided continuously for seven hours, besides extending subsidies.

"While the load from the farm sector is little under control at the moment because of rains in the last couple of days, the evening peak demand for power in the state has been around 12,000MW. Usually, the demand is less in September. But this year, it was between 310 and 330MU. Last September, the peak demand was 220-240MU. On September 30, 2026, the peak demand was 298MU. On September 29, it was 313MU and on September 28, it was 329MU," the officials said.

K'taka working towards strengthening power security strategy: Min

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA is working towards strengthening its long-term power security strategy by expanding its Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS), accelerating solarisation of agricultural feeders under KUSUM-C, and implementing the Chief Minister's Solar Agriculture Scheme, Energy Minister KJ George said on Thursday.

The minister said the department has a multi-pronged approach to boost power availability, while increasing the contribution of renewable energy sources. "Steps to build energy-storage capacity as an important component of its long-term power-security strategy are being taken. The BESS will provide greater flexibility in managing peak demand and integrating renewable energy into the grid. The BESS projects are being implemented through KPTCL and KREDL," he said.

Officials of the department said under the KPTCL programme, projects to generate 500 MW/1,000 MWh are at various stages of implementation. Also, KREDL is pursuing a 250-MW solar project with 1,100 MWh of BESS at Pavagada Solar Park. Another 900 MWh BESS project comprising 250 MW/500 MWh at Kushtagi and 200 MW/400 MWh at Huliurdurga will be taken up.

KEA tightens security for surveyor, VAO exams

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka Examinations Authority stated on Thursday that it has taken necessary precautions for the written examinations for the posts of Surveyor and Village Administrative Officer (VAO), belonging to the residual parent cadre, on October 2 and 4, respectively. The examination for the Surveyor post will be contested by 92,701 candidates, while 4,11,656 candidates have applied for the VAO post.

"The examination for the Surveyor post will be held at 225 centres, and the VAO examination at 505 centres. In addition to camera surveillance, other stringent measures have been implemented to prevent malpractice," said KEA executive director H Prasanna.

At the district level, deputy commissioners and police superintendents will oversee the examinations. A command centre at the KEA headquarters will monitor proceedings through webcasting. "Arrangements have been made in Bengaluru, Kalaburagi, Raichur, Dharwad, Ballari, Vijayapura, Davanagere and Mysuru to scan OMR sheets and upload them to the website immediately after the examinations," Prasanna added.

4 vehicles launched to strengthen blood supply network

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

HEALTH Minister **UT Khader** on Thursday inaugurated four blood collection and transportation vehicles to strengthen the four government blood centres established under the Regional Centres of Excellence (RCOE) and ensure timely availability of adequate, safe and quality blood across the state.

The RCOE programme was announced in the 2019-20 Budget and was subsequently approved by the state Cabinet. A grant of Rs 2,043.87 lakh was provided for the initiative. The four blood centres were accorded administrative approval for development as RCOEs - Victoria Hospital, Bengaluru; VIMS, Ballari; Wenlock District Hospital, Mangaluru; and KIMS, Hubballi.

Through these centres, blood and blood components will be supplied to district and taluk hospitals, community health centres, blood storage units and other hospitals in need of blood in their respective regions. The system is aimed at reducing regional disparities in blood availability by facilitating transportation from areas with surplus supplies to those facing shortages.

The centres hold importance for patients suffering from thalassemia, sickle cell disease and anaemia, who require regular access to safe blood. They will also support in cases of emergencies during childbirth, road accidents and other medical emergencies. The initiative is expected to contribute to reducing maternal and infant mortality and saving the lives of accident victims. The government is also focusing on optimal utilisation of 100% of collected blood and its components, reduction of wastage, scientific separation and safe storage of blood components.

Technology forms an important part of the RCOE system, with operations being computerised and paperless functioning encouraged. The personnel at the blood centres and storage units are provided training in safe blood collection, storage, handling and supply. The government and Karnataka State Blood Transfusion Council have appealed to the public to participate in voluntary blood donation, stressing that blood cannot be manufactured and that voluntary donation is essential to saving lives.



HD Kumaraswamy, Union Minister

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NOTICE INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION AS MINERAL EXCHANGE IN INDIA

Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) invites sealed applications for the registration of companies meeting the Eligibility Criteria under Rule 6 of the Mineral Exchange Rules, 2026.

The Objective, Function, Eligibility, Fees and other details have been defined in the said rules notified by the Central Government on 30th June 2026. The Notice Inviting Applications (NIA) document seeking applications for registration as Mineral Exchange contains the bidding schedule, brief objective, scope of work, the eligibility criteria, procedure for filing application, grant of registration for establishing & operating the electronic platform for the Mineral Exchange etc.

The NIA document containing application form shall be available for download from website www.ibm.gov.in on 03rd October 2026 and the last date of submission of Application is 02nd November 2026 up to 1500 hrs.

Sealed envelope containing application as provided in NIA and receipt of non-refundable fees of Rs. 3,30,000 (Rupees Three Lakh only) payable through BharatKosh must be submitted in person or sent through registered post with "Application for Registration as Mineral Exchange" clearly mentioned on top of the sealed envelope so that it reaches this office before the last day of submission. The application must be sent to the below mentioned address:

"Controller of Mines, Mineral Exchange Cell, MDR Division
2nd Floor, A-Block, Indira Bhavan, Indian Bureau of Mines
Civil Lines, Nagpur, Maharashtra - 440001"

Sd/-
Controller of Mines
Mineral Exchange Cell, IBM

JUNGLE LODGES & RESORTS LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
#49, West Wing Ground Floor, Khanja Bhavan, Race Course Road, Bangalore-560 001. Phone No-080-4055 4055 / 45 / 24 / 23 / 25 / 26
Website: www.junglelodges.com, E-mail: accounts@junglelodges.com
CIN-U55103KA1980SGC003775

Date: 30.09.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Senior General Manager, Jungle Lodges and Resorts Limited invites tender for competitive Quotes from eligible Public Sector Banks for investment of surplus funds in Fixed Deposits through e-Procurement/E-Auction Portal of the Government of Karnataka. The Details are as follows: -

Sl. No.	Tender No. and Date	Descriptions	Last date and time for receipt of tenders
1.	JLR/ 2026-27/ AUCTION16	Competitive Quotes from eligible Public Sector Banks for investment of surplus funds in Fixed Deposits.	Last Date to upload the Eligibility Criteria in Annexure-A and Declaration in Annexure-B in the e-portal and Last date and time to confirm participation of Interest in E-Auction(e-Portal): 13.10.2026, 16.00 hrs.

The details of tender documents are available in the website <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in>. For any further clarifications contact 91-8046010000 and 91-8068948777, Email support@eprocelpdesk.com.

Sd/-
Senior General Manager

DIPR/CP/3028/MAA/2026-27

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ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಮತ್ತು ಒಳ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ವಿಭಾಗ, ಮಂಡಳಿ, ದೂರವಾಣಿ: ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ್
08232-224816. e-mail- kwbeemnd@gmail.com
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ದಿನಾಂಕ: 30.09.2026

ಬಿಡ್ಡರ್ ಅಭ್ಯರ್ಥಿಗಳಿಗೆ

ನಗರಸಭೆ, ಮಂಡಳಿಗಳ ಕೆಲವೇ ಕೊಡುಗೆ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಅಡಿ ಮಂಡಳಿ ನಗರದ ಕೆರೆ ಅಂಗಡದಲ್ಲಿನ ಕೆ.ಎಚ್.ಬಿ ಬಡಾವಣೆಗೆ ಮಂಡಳಿ ನಗರ ನೀರು ಸರಬರಾಜು ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಯಿಂದ ಕಾವೇರಿ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರಿನ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯವನ್ನು ಕಲ್ಪಿಸುವ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ. ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್ ಸಂ: KUWSDB/2026-27/WS/ WORK_INDENTS01/CALL-2. ಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಪಬ್ಲಿಕ್ ವೈಲ್ಡ್‌ಲೈಫ್ ಮೊನ್ಯೂಮೆಂಟ್ ಬಿಡ್ಡರ್ ಇಟ್ಟ ಮೊತ್ತ: ರೂ.78,10,263/-.

ಮೇಲಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ ಐಟಿಎಂಎಂ ದರದ ಬಿಡ್ಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ಅಪ್ಲಾನ್‌ಸಿಸ್‌ಲಾಗಿ. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸುವುದು.

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SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (TWO COVER SYSTEM)

IFT NO:42/2026-27 Date: 30.09.2026

The Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Shivamogga Special Division, invites tenders as per K.T.P.P act 2000, in standard Bid document K/W-4 (two cover system) Contractors has registered in PWD Department Class-1 register contractor can apply under head of account 4059-60-051-0-05-423-TSP Hostel Building 1 Works in Shivamogga Taluk for work of CONSTRUCTION OF POST-METRIC BOYS HOSTEL IN SHIVAMOGGA CITY, SHIVAMOGGA TQ, SHIVAMOGGA DIST (Indent no-44322). for Amount put to tender is Rs.518.24 Lakhs and EMD amount is Rs.7.774 Lakhs. Time allowed for completion of work as mentioned in KPP-Portal.

The tenderers may submit tenders through KPP-portal of the Government of Karnataka (viz., <http://KPPP.karnataka.gov.in>). The Tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in Clause 4 of the Section -2 (Instructions to tenderers) of document, to qualify for award of the contract. Tender documents may be downloaded from the KPP-Portal from 30-09-2026 to 16-10-2026 Last date for Receipt of Tender is on 16-10-2026 at 17.00 PM. The Technical bid will be opened on 17-10-2026 at 05.30 PM onwards and Financial bid will be opened after 18-10-2026 Onwards. If there any changes in publication, it will be publishing through KPP-Portal only. For more information may be obtained from the office during working hours. Information published in Website is final.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Special Division, Shivamogga.

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PUNE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION
Re-Tender Cell Department
Re-Tender Notice - New Work

Tender Sale Date : 01/10/2026 to 12/10/2026 AFTERNOON 2.30 PM
Tender Accepted Date : 01/10/2026 to 12/10/2026 AFTERNOON 3.30 PM TECHNICAL BID OPENING PROCESS DATE : 14/10/2026 AFTERNOON 3.30 PM

Sr. No.	Tender No.	Department Name	Work Discription	Tender SET Price Rs.	Estimate Price Rs	EMD Rs.	Work Period	Tender Related Responsible Person
1)	PMC/ VEHICLE /2026/104	VEHICE DEPARTMENT	Cleaning of Drainage Lines with the help of mechanised machineries in Pune City	29,679	16,67,01,888	8,33,510	1 YEAR/ TILL THE TENDER AMOUNT EXHAUSTS	Mr. Sandip Chougule 9689930126 Mr.Rajendra Tidke 9689986476

1.Govt approved/PMC approved experienced Tenderer needed for this work. (Pre qualification conditions are given in tender set)
2.Tems & conditions & other details for completing the above work are mentioned in Tender set and tender set is available on www.mahatenders.gov.in Tender sale and acceptance are to be done by online and 2 pockets only
3. All information of tender is available on above mentioned website

ADVT No : 3/875
Date : 01/10/2026

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SUPERINTENDENT ENGINEER
MOTOR VEHICLE DEPARTMENT
PUNE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

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ABRIDGED VEHICLE E-AUCTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the to the Borrower (s), and Guarantor (s) that Bank has repossessed/seized the Hypothecated Motor Vehicle mentioned below in exercise of the powers conferred under Hypothecation/Loan Agreement executed by the parties and Vehicle will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s/Vehicle/Total Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below

Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower/s /Guarantor/s /Mortgagor (s)	Total dues	Vehicle Make & Model RTO Regd No.	1. Date of e-Auction Time of E-auction - Start Time to End Time - 2. Last date and time of submission of Bid.	1)Reserve Price, 2)EMD amount, 3) Bid Increase Amount (Rs)	1)EMD deposit A/c No. 2) IFSC CODE OF Bank of Baroda Branch	Vehicle / Movable Asset Inspection date & Time
1	Account No-63360600000173 Name-Mr.SIDDARODHAS KINAGI Shop address PROP., SRI SAI COLLECTION, NO 6-717, NEAR LAXMI TALKIES, PUTANI GALLI, CLOTH BAZAR, GULBARGA, GULBARGA KARNATAKA 585101 Residence Address: Mr. SIDDARODHA S KINAGI S/o Shreemanthraya Kinagi, Near Mahadev Temple Astagi, Ashta, Gulbarga, Karnataka-585104.	Rs.306,763.65 + Plus Interest And Charges Thereon	A. Vehicle - Maruthi Celerio VXI AMT- CEACLI B. KA 32 P 0591	1. Date of e-Auction 02.11.2026 14.00PM to 18.00PM 2.Last date and time of submission of Bid. 02.11.2026 up to 18.00PM	A. 3,70,000/- B. 37,000/- C. 10,000/-	63360015181219 IFSC code: BARBOVJSEDA	27.10.2026 to 01.11.2026 14.00PM to 18.00PM (Working Days only)
2	Account No-633606000001155 Name-Mr.MANOHAS SPATIL Shop address:PROP : H.NO #113 SEDAM ROAD, PRAGATI, BADEPUR, GULBARGA, KARNATAKA-585105. Residence Address:Mr. MANOHAR S PATIL S/o Shivraj Patil. H.NO #113 SEDAM ROAD, PRAGATI, BADEPUR, GULBARGA, KARNATAKA-585105.	Rs.988,927.00 + Plus Interest And Charges Thereon	A. Vehicle - KIA SELTOS G1 4 GMT GTX PLUS B. KA 32 Z 0604	1. Date of e-Auction 02.11.2026 14.00PM to 18.00PM 2.Last date and time of submission of Bid. 02.11.2026 up to 18.00PM	A. 9,50,000/- B. 95,000/- C. 10,000/-	63360015181219 IFSC code: BARBOVJSEDA	27.10.2026 to 01.11.2026 14.00PM to 18.00PM (Working Days only)

1.The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the website(www.baanknet.com)portal.
2.For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer/visit to the website link <https://baanknet.com>/Prospective bidders may contact to Ph. No.6366533565

Date:01.10.2026, Place:KALABURGI

Sd/- Authorised Officer, Bank Of Baroda

EXPRESS READ K'taka leads in teams at women-only ideathon

BENGALURU: The Maharani Lakshmi Ammanni College for Women, in collaboration with the Dayanand Sagar Entrepreneurship, Research and Business Incubation Foundation, will host a national ideathon on October 8 and 9. The event is being organised for women entrepreneurs across India to pitch their ideas to an expert jury. Out of the 62 teams shortlisted from across the country, 42 are from Karnataka. The 24-hour ideathon - called m-YUKTI - received more than 200 applications from 11 states across the country. A total of 98 teams from Karnataka had applied, out of whom 42 were selected. Each selected team will present their ideas under one of three themes - safety and empowerment of women and children, climate sustainability and inclusive technology. **ENS**