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Telangana Prisons Department

Custody With Care

Secured the prestigious Best Stall Award in the State Government Stalls category

The Prison Department Stall at the **85th All India Industrial Exhibition (Numaish)**, held at Nampally Exhibition Grounds, Hyderabad, secured the **prestigious Best Stall Award in the State Government Stalls category** for the **fifth time, reflecting the department's sustained excellence under the dynamic leadership of Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS**, Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, Telangana and received the award from **Hon'ble Minister Sri Jupally Krishna Rao, Minister for Prohibition & Excise, Tourism & Culture, Government of Telangana**, who oversees excise administration and enforcement, tourism promotion and infrastructure development, and preservation and promotion of the State's cultural heritage, arts, and traditions, in the presence of **R. Sukesh Reddy**, Vice President, Exhibition Society; **B. N. Rajeshwar**, Secretary; and **N. Sanjeev Kumar**, Treasurer. Conceptualized with a distinctive prison-themed design, the stall drew significant public attention, with intricately crafted Charminar models made by inmates, newly introduced natural honey harvested and packed by prisoners, women-focused products, and innovative waste-to-wealth creations receiving widespread appreciation. The stall recorded total sales of **₹67,31,342**, demonstrating strong public demand for inmate-produced goods. **Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS**, personal visits, strategic coordination meetings with Exhibition Society officials, and close monitoring of presentation and marketing strategies significantly enhanced the stall's impact and sales performance, further reinforcing Telangana Prisons' reformatory vision centered on skill development, sustainability, and meaningful rehabilitation, with senior officers **N. Murali Babu**, Inspector General of Prisons, and **D. Srinivas, Deputy Inspector General of Prisons**, Hyderabad Range, also present on the occasion.



Visit to numaish on the final day

Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS, Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, Telangana, graced the final day of the **85th All India Industrial Exhibition (Numaish)** at the Nampally Exhibition Grounds with a purposeful and inspiring visit that underscored her commitment to transformational correctional reforms and inclusive public engagement. On this concluding day of the **46-day cultural and industrial showcase**, and **personally reviewed the Prison Department stall's product range, sales performance, visitor response, and overall presentation, engaging with officers and staff to assess real-time public perception of the inmates' handcrafted goods and innovative offerings like prison-produced honey, weaves, and waste-to-wealth creations.** Her interactions reflected a deep appreciation for the quality, affordability, and social relevance of the products, as well as a strategic focus on enhancing visibility and outreach for rehabilitation-linked initiatives. **Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS**, also held constructive discussions with key exhibition organizers to explore ways to further boost coordination, visitor engagement, and representation of inmate skill development at such marquee public events. Her visit highlighted not just administrative oversight but **a heartfelt endorsement of rehabilitation through craftsmanship, skill building, and sustainable livelihoods**, resonating strongly with both the public and her team on the festival's final day.



Inauguration of Ayurvedic village at SICA

The **Ayurvedic Village at SICA, Chanchalguda**, was formally inaugurated by **Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS**, Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, Telangana, marking the **revival of a visionary reformative initiative** after a **six-year gap** and reinforcing her commitment to integrating healthcare with correctional rehabilitation. Conceived as a model blending affordable public healthcare with prisoner welfare, the Ayurvedic Village will offer authentic Ayurvedic treatments and therapies at nominal cost, making quality traditional healthcare accessible to the general public while strengthening constructive engagement between prisons and society. Addressing the gathering, **Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS**, Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, emphasized the transformative rehabilitative value of the center, highlighting that inmates will receive structured training in Ayurvedic therapies and wellness services, enabling them to acquire certified, practical skills that enhance post-release employability and self-reliance. Fully operational with experienced Ayurvedic physicians, qualified therapists, and trained staff, the centre reflects a progressive correctional approach focused on skill development, dignity, and social reintegration. The event was attended **Sri N. Murali Babu**, Inspector General of Prisons Dr.D. Srinivas, DIG of Prisons (Hyderabad Range), **Sri M. Sampath**, DIG of Prisons (Warangal Range) and **Sri N. Shiva Kumar Goud**, Superintendent, Central Prison Hyderabad, **Dr. Y. B. Ramesh** and **Dr. M. Gowtham (Ayurveda Physicians)**, and **Sri S. Srinivasa Reddy**, Principal, SICA, along with senior officers and staff members. The department now plans to replicate this impactful Ayurvedic Village model across other correctional institutions in Telangana, further advancing **Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS**, Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, Telangana reform-driven vision of prisons as centres of healing, skill-building, and community integration.





Salary Package Mela to Prison Employees

The Telangana Prisons & Correctional Services Department organized a Salary Package Mela at SICCA, Hyderabad, to strengthen banking and financial security benefits for prison personnel across the State, with Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS, Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, attending as Chief Guest. Addressing the gathering, Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS highlighted the demanding and high-responsibility nature of prison service and emphasized the Department's commitment to ensuring comprehensive financial protection and welfare measures for its personnel.

A total of 1,332 personnel are being covered under the Police Salary Package, which offers a wide range of benefits including accident and life insurance coverage, salary overdraft and loan facilities with waived charges, periodic health check-ups, lifestyle privileges, and locker concessions. Dedicated Liaison Officers have been appointed to facilitate seamless coordination between banks and the Department, ensuring effective implementation and accessibility of these benefits to all eligible personnel.

As part of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives, State Bank of India and Canara Bank handed over battery-operated vehicles to support the mobility needs of elderly and sick inmates, reflecting a humane and inclusive approach towards inmate welfare. The initiative underscores the collaborative efforts between financial institutions and the Department in promoting both staff welfare and inmate care.

The programme was attended by senior officers including Sri N. Murali Babu, Inspector General of Prisons; Dr. D. Srinivas, DIG of Prisons (Hyderabad Range); Sri M. Sampath, DIG of Prisons (Warangal Range); and Sri N. Shivakumar Goud, Superintendent, Central Prison Hyderabad, along with representatives from leading banks. The event reaffirmed the Department's continued commitment to strengthening institutional welfare, financial inclusion, and overall well-being of its personnel while fostering partnerships that contribute to a progressive and responsive correctional system.





Inauguration of Ayurvedic Village at PAC Cherlapalli

In a significant reformative initiative, the Ayurvedic Village at the **Prisoners Agricultural Colony (PAC), Cherlapalli** was formally inaugurated by **Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS**, Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, Telangana. The reopening of the Ayurvedic Village **after a gap of six years** marks the revival of an important healthcare-linked rehabilitation initiative and stands as the second such centre established by the department after the successful model at State Institute of Correctional Administration (SICA). Conceptualized as a unique blend of affordable public healthcare and structured inmate rehabilitation, the facility is designed to provide authentic Ayurvedic treatments to the public at nominal cost while simultaneously offering inmates systematic training in Ayurvedic therapies and wellness services under the guidance of qualified professionals. This initiative aims to equip inmates with certified skills in traditional healthcare practices, thereby enhancing their employability and supporting their reintegration into society after release. The programme was attended by **Dr. D. Srinivas**, Deputy Inspector General of Prisons (Hyderabad Range); **Sri M. Sampath**, Deputy Inspector General of Prisons (Warangal Range); **Sri S. M. Khalid Akther**, ADI; **Sri D. Bharat**, Superintendent, PAC Cherlapalli; **Sri G. Pramod**, Superintendent, Central Prison Cherlapalli; **Y. B. Ramesh** and **M. Gowtham**, Ayurveda Physicians; **Sri D. Kalidas**, Deputy Superintendent of Jails; **Sri K. Sreeman Reddy**, Deputy Superintendent of Jails, along with other senior officers and staff members.





Inauguration of Cold Press Oil Unit at PAC Cherlapalli

Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS, Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, inaugurated the Cold Pressed Oil Unit at PAC Cherlapalli, marking the establishment of the Department's first-ever facility dedicated to traditional, chemical-free oil extraction. The unit has been introduced with the dual objective of promoting the use of natural, health-conscious products and creating a structured vocational training platform for inmates. The cold-pressed extraction process ensures the retention of essential nutrients, purity, and quality of the oil, aligning with sustainable, eco-friendly, and wellness-oriented practices.

Beyond its production role, the unit is designed to function as a comprehensive skill development centre where inmates receive hands-on training in oil extraction techniques, processing, filtration, packaging, hygiene standards, and quality control measures. This initiative enables inmates to acquire valuable agro-based industrial skills, fostering self-reliance and enhancing their prospects for entrepreneurship and sustainable livelihood opportunities after release. It also provides meaningful engagement within the prison environment, contributing to discipline, confidence-building, and overall rehabilitation. The establishment of the unit further represents a strategic step towards value addition and market-oriented production within the prison system, helping create a distinct identity for prison-made products in the health and wellness segment. By integrating traditional methods with modern quality standards, the initiative is expected to generate revenue, strengthen institutional self-sufficiency, and expand the scope of prison industries.

The programme was attended by Dr. D. Srinivas, Deputy Inspector General of Prisons (Hyderabad Range); Sri M. Sampath, Deputy Inspector General of Prisons (Warangal Range); Sri S. M. Khalid Akther, Assistant Director of Industries; Sri D. Bharat, Superintendent, PAC Cherlapalli; Sri G. Pramod, Superintendent, Central Prison Cherlapalli; Y. B. Ramesh and M. Gowtham, Ayurveda Physicians; Sri D. Kalidas, Deputy Superintendent of Jails; Sri K. Sreeman Reddy, Deputy Superintendent of Jails; along with other senior officers and staff members. The initiative stands as a significant step in integrating sustainability with correctional reforms, reflecting the Telangana Prisons Department's progressive vision of rehabilitation through skill development, productive engagement, and eco-conscious practices within correctional institutions.



Retirement

On 26th February 2026, a warm retirement function was organized at the O/o Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, Hyderabad, to honor the retiring Staff **Sri S.Parusharamulu**, Deputy Jailor, PAC Cherlapalli and **Sri V.Mohan Das**, Head Warder, Central Prison Hyderabad retired on 28th February 2026 upon reaching the age of superannuation.

Dr. Soumya Mishra, IPS felicitated the retiring and presented a cheque from the departmental Welfare Fund, in appreciation of his decades of sincere and unblemished service. Family members of the retiring officer were present, adding warmth to the occasion. The heartfelt speeches and collective goodwill made the farewell a memorable and inspirational event.



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