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## SC rejects review plea by Tamil Nadu on Mekedatu project

**Krishnadas Rajagopal**  
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court has dismissed a petition filed by Tamil Nadu to review a November 2025 decision that termed the State's challenge to Karnataka's proposed Mekedatu Balancing Reservoir cum Drinking Water project as "premature".

The review petition was dismissed by the Bench via circulation in their chambers on April 15, 2026. The order was only published recently.

"We have carefully gone through the contents of the review petition and the papers appended therewith. We are satisfied that no case for review of the judgment dated November 13, 2025 is made out. The review petition is, accordingly, dismissed," the short order said.

On November 13, 2025 the court had said the Detailed Project Report (DPR) on the reservoir, submitted by Karnataka, was only being considered by the experts in the Cauvery Water

Management Authority (CWMA) and Cauvery Water Regulation Committee (CWRC).

The court had said that in case of approval of DPR, the affected parties, including Tamil Nadu, would be free to take measures in accordance with the law. But for now, it was too early, the court had concluded. The apex court had said, Karnataka, anyway, would be bound to release Cauvery water allotted to lower riparian Tamil Nadu and Puducherry, which was downstream.

**'Good news for us'** Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar who also holds Water Resources portfolio, hailed the court's judgment.

"We are in the process of submitting the revised Detailed Project Report. This is good news for Karnataka. On behalf of the people of Karnataka, we express our gratitude to the Supreme Court," Mr. Shivakumar told presspersons in New Delhi on Tuesday.

## In sign of change, Congress offers Siddaramaiah RS seat

Leadership change appears imminent in Karnataka; Siddaramaiah likely to announce his decision tomorrow; Venugopal says the meeting discussed RS candidates and Legislative Council elections

**The Hindu Bureau**  
BENGALURU/NEW DELHI

Leadership change in Karnataka appeared imminent, after it emerged on Tuesday that the Congress high command has offered Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah a seat in the Rajya Sabha as a candidate in the forthcoming elections.

Whether or not Mr. Siddaramaiah agrees to be a candidate for the June 18 Rajya Sabha polls, sources close to him indicated that he is likely to announce his decision on May 28. His deputy D.K. Shivakumar has been an aspirant for the post ever since the Congress government reached



The Congress appears undecided on the Karnataka Cabinet reshuffle, and a new KPCC chief. NAVEEN SHARMA

half-year-mark in November 2025. However, Mr. Siddaramaiah need not resign immediately, sources said.

Officially, party general secretary (organisation) K.C. Venugopal said the

day-long deliberations were only about selecting candidates for the Rajya Sabha and Karnataka Legislative Council elections, and dismissed the question of leadership change at a press briefing.

Sources said that the Congress high command cannot push through a leadership change if Mr. Siddaramaiah, a prominent OBC face, does not agree. That is why the party officially downplayed any talk of leadership change, sources added. Mr. Siddaramaiah is currently the only OBC Chief Minister among the four Congress-ruled States.

A senior party functionary said the Congress high command appeared unable to arrive at a final decision on three key issues - leadership change, Cabinet reshuffle, and the appointment of a new Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) president.

## Kerala HC clears ED probe in CMRL case

**The Hindu Bureau**  
KOCHI

The Kerala High Court on Tuesday gave the go-ahead to the Enforcement Directorate (ED) to probe the alleged financial transactions between Exalogic Solutions, a firm owned by former Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan's daughter T. Veena, and the Cochin Minerals and Rutile Ltd (CMRL), in the alleged pay-off scam. The court further dismissed the

CMRL's plea to quash the case. It directed the firm's officials to appear before the ED and to cooperate with the probe.

The ED submitted before the court that its probe was independent of a probe by the SPIO (Serious Fraud Investigation Office) into the matter.

Ms. Veena had earlier submitted before the court that all financial transactions were conducted through legitimate electronic means.

## 5 of Pinarayi's security personnel suspended

**The Hindu Bureau**  
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

The Kerala Police suspended five officers attached to the former Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan's personal security detail on Tuesday.

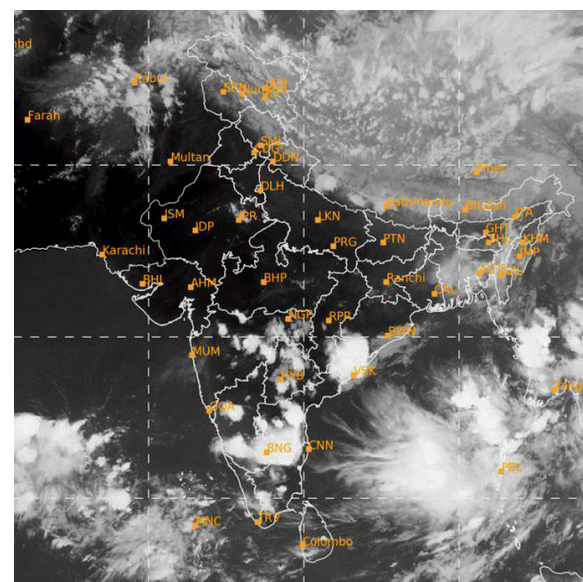
A Special Investigation Team (SIT) headed by the Crime Branch charged the officers with overstepping their line of official duty and unleashing wanton violence against the tiny group of Youth Congress

workers who were detained by the local law enforcement to prevent them from greeting Mr. Vijayan's Navakerala Sadas motorcade with black flags when it entered Alappuzha in Kerala in November 2023.

The prosecution's case is that the squad "unjustifiably" stepped out of their escort vehicle after the vehicle ferrying Mr. Vijayan had swept past the point, and caned the roadside protesters who were already in the custody.

## WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



**Forecast for Wednesday:** Heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Bihar, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Sikkim, West Bengal and Karnataka. Heat wave to severe heat wave conditions likely at isolated places over Rajasthan, Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	80	26.2	21.2	Kozhikode	34.6	27.2	27.2
Ahmedabad	43.2	28.2	28.2	Kurnool	40.0	29.1	29.1
Aizawl	11	26.4	17.2	Lucknow	42.9	28.3	28.3
Allahabad	45.4	29.4	29.4	Madurai	38.5	27.6	27.6
Bengaluru	33.2	22.6	22.6	Mangaluru	32.8	26.0	26.0
Bhopal	43.2	29.4	29.4	Mumbai	34.7	29.0	29.0
Bhubaneswar	39.2	29.7	29.7	Mysuru	33.2	21.4	21.4
Chandigarh	41.7	24.6	24.6	New Delhi	43.5	26.8	26.8
Chennai	41.1	30.3	30.3	Patna	38.4	25.6	25.6
Coimbatore	34.4	24.2	24.2	Port Blair	29.6	25.6	25.6
Dehradun	38.6	23.5	23.5	Puducherry	39.1	28.5	28.5
Gangtok	23	22.7	15.7	Pune	36.7	26.1	26.1
Goa	8	34.6	27.6	Raipur	44.5	31.0	31.0
Guwahati	30	31.8	23.4	Ranchi	39.3	26.0	26.0
Hubbali	33.0	23.0	23.0	Shillong	22	24.4	13.8
Hyderabad	41.0	29.0	29.0	Shimla	31.2	20.2	20.2
Imphal	0.9	28.1	21.7	Srinagar	1	26.0	9.6
Jaipur	43.2	32.2	32.2	Thiruvananthapuram	32.7	25.6	25.6
Kochi	5	31.4	26.2	Tiruchi	38.7	27.4	27.4
Kohima	26.0	17.0	17.0	Vijayawada	44.2	31.0	31.0
Kolkata	37.8	30.0	30.0	Visakhapatnam	35.7	30.4	30.4

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

CITIES	SO <sub>2</sub>	NO <sub>2</sub>	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE	Yesterday
Ahmedabad	18	71	16	38	106	0	In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Mandi
Bengaluru	16	19	46	37	106	0	Gobindgarh, Punjab
Chennai	5	6	41	67	65	0	recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score
Delhi	39	85	241	311	311	0	of 341 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast,
Hyderabad	17	18	24	60	97	0	Ambernath, Maharashtra recorded a healthy AQI score of 22
Kolkata	8	22	24	77	105	0	
Lucknow	7	47	56	216	142	0	
Mumbai	56	45	15	48	54	0	
Pune	28	103	20	43	43	0	
Visakhapatnam	7	13	15	50	121	0	

**Air Quality Code:** 0 Poor 1 Moderate 2 Good (Readings indicate average AQI)  
SO<sub>2</sub>: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.  
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CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.  
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CHANGE OF NAME

I, NIKITA Gracelyn Rose Rose d/o Jeyanth Suresh Rose born on 12/10/2007 residing at 43, N.K nagar Bagayam, Vellore Tamilnadu, have changed my name to Nikita Gracelyn Rose vide affidavit dated 22/05/2026 at Vellore.

My daughter A. EPHZINA, daughter of Thiru. K. Edvina Princy, born on 12th July 2014 (District of Birth Tiruchirappalli), residing at No. 5/19, Anjalaga Street, Puratha kudi, Mannachanallur Taluk, Tiruchirappalli -621105 shall henceforth be known as EPHZINA M A. MAHIMAIRAJ (Step Father)

Thiru Elangeswaran (Hindu), son of Thiru Murugaiyan, born on 26<sup>th</sup> May 1976 (District of Birth: Thiruvavur), residing at No. 2/9, West Street, Keelaperumazhai, Thiruvavur - 614 703, has converted to Islam with the name of **M MOHAMED IBRAHIM** on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2025

ELANGESWARAN  
Thiruvavur, 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2025

**TENDERS**

**CHENNAI PORT AUTHORITY TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT**  
No.1 Rajaji Salai, Chennai-60  
Notice Inviting E-tender Cum E-auction in CPP Portal for Allotment of Areas in as is where is Condition, inside the Custom Bound Area, Without Renewal Option, From 27.05.2026 to 16.06.2026.  
E-tender Notification No. CG/245/2026/T dt.27.05.2026 - Allotment of the 8 Covered space (ACC Roof) areas, in "as is where is condition" inside custom bound area on annual licence basis for a period of 5 years without renewal option for the purpose of Sale of Handicrafts and Display of Leather Goods (7 areas) & for Sale of Travelers Accessories, Handicrafts and Tailoring (1 area) under two cover system. For further details visit Ch.P.A. website [www.chennaiport.gov.in](http://www.chennaiport.gov.in) and [www.eprocure.gov.in](http://www.eprocure.gov.in)

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(Through e-Procurement Portal only) (Two Cover System)

KPCL invites sealed bids in English through GoK e-procurement platform <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> from the qualified bidders for Design, Manufacture, Testing, Supply and Commissioning of 8 Nos. of Online Partial Discharge Monitoring System (PDMS) for Generators of RTPS Project conforming to KPCL, Technical Specification. Last date for receipt completed bids: 12.06.2026 at 17.00 hrs. Further details can be had from Chief Engineer (Thermal Designs), KPCL, No.3, (Green Building), 2nd Floor, Behind Drug Controller Office Premises, Palace Road, Bengaluru-560 001. Mobile No:9972488569/944936527 (Exe.Engr Ele-3) e-mail: [kpclctd@gmail.com](mailto:kpclctd@gmail.com) / [ctdtkpcl@karnataka.gov.in](mailto:ctdtkpcl@karnataka.gov.in)

**Indian Overseas Bank**  
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Date: 26.05.2026  
Place: Rajagiri

Authorised Officer  
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**UJJIVAN SMALL FINANCE BANK**  
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**E-AUCTION NOTICE**

E-Auction Notice for Sale under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act (SARFAESI Act) 2002, Read with Proviso Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

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Loan Account Number / Name of Borrower / Co-Borrower/Guarantor	(i) Date of 13-2 Notice & Demand Amount as on (ii) Date of Possession	Present Outstanding Balance	Reserve Price in INR	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR
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2.Mr.Chandran.K	(ii) Symbolic Possession 16.03.2022 & Physical Possession 28.09.2025			
3.Mrs.Manimekalai				

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Date: 27.05.2026, Place: Bengaluru  
Authorized Officer, Ujjivan Small Finance Bank