

PRESS RELEASE

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**‘Drug offenders to be monitored akin to history-sheeters’**

Hyderabad Commissioner of Police V.C. Sajjanar, IPS on Friday asserted that drug offenders and peddlers in the city would be subjected to the same rigorous level of surveillance and monitoring usually reserved for history-sheeters (rowdy-sheeters).

Addressing a high-level coordination meeting on narcotics control held at the Telangana Command and Control Centre (TGICCC) in Banjara Hills, CP underscored the police department’s commitment to curbing the narcotics menace. The meeting saw participation from various central and state agencies, including the Intelligence Bureau (IB), Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI), Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), Excise Department, Counter Intelligence, EAGLE, and the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO).

To effectively dismantle the drug network in the city, the Commissioner announced the strengthening of the Hyderabad Narcotics Enforcement Wing (H-NEW). "In addition to the existing teams, four to five new teams are being constituted. These units will play a pivotal role in field-level intelligence gathering and the apprehension of the accused," CP Sajjanar said.

Terming the eradication of narcotics a "continuous battle" rather than a one-time operation, he called for seamless coordination between departments. It was decided that inter-agency coordination meetings would be held monthly to review case progress, share intelligence on habitual offenders, and analyze new methods of operation adopted by smugglers.

The meeting deliberated at length on the involvement of foreign nationals in drug trafficking and consumption. Officials discussed strategies to maintain constant vigil at airports and coordinate with relevant agencies to track the movement of suspicious passengers.

Special emphasis was laid on the misuse of courier services for transporting contraband. Furthermore, the Commissioner directed officials to strictly monitor foreign nationals arriving in the city on medical visas. "Instances of individuals arriving for medical treatment but failing to report to hospitals must be taken seriously. Such individuals must be tracked immediately in coordination with the DRI and FRRO," he stated.

Cyderabad CP **Sri Avinash Mohanty, IPS**, IB Joint Director **Thirugnana Sambandhan, IPS**, DRI Deputy Director **Guru Rajesh**, NCB Assistant Director **Vishnu Vardhan**, Eagle Team DIG **Abhishek Mohanty, IPS**, CISF DIG **Mohanka**, FRRO **Appalanayudu, IPS**, Intelligence SP **Bhaskaran, IPS**, DCP S.B. **Smt. K. Apoorva Rao, IPS**, DCP Task Force **Sri. Gaikwad Vaibhav Raghunath, IPS**, DCP SMIT CH. **Rupesh IPS**, DRI Assistant Director **Anurag Singh**, Telangana Excise Department Joint Commissioner **Qureshi**, and others participated in the program.

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**\*Hyderabad CP warns against extortion, urges transgender community to embrace dignity\***

Taking a serious view of increasing complaints regarding harassment and forced collection of money, Hyderabad Commissioner of Police V.C. Sajjanar, IPS on Friday issued a stern warning to the transgender community, stating that strict legal action would be inevitable against those resorting to extortion.

Addressing a special meeting attended by approximately 250 transgender persons at the Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS) in Ameerpet, Shri. VC Sajjanar, IPS urged the community to shun illegal activities and utilize opportunities provided by the State government to lead lives of dignity.

‘Forced collections unacceptable’

The Commissioner highlighted the growing public grievance regarding groups of transgender persons descending on households during auspicious occasions and demanding exorbitant amounts.

“We have been receiving increasing complaints from the public. Harassing residents and forced collections are unacceptable. We will not tolerate such actions,” Shri. V.C Sajjanar, IPS asserted.

He further cautioned that anyone taking the law into their own hands, regardless of their identity, would face imprisonment.

“Cases registered against you will ruin your future. If you trouble innocent citizens, jail terms are certain,” he said.

Shri. V.C. Sajjanar, IPS also expressed concern over internal disputes and clashes regarding dominance within the community, noting that such incidents were leading to law and order problems and, in some instances, tragic loss of life. He assured the gathering that while the police would deal strictly with violations, the department would always stand by those seeking to live respectfully.

‘Pride Place’ for grievance redressal

Also present at the meeting, Additional Director General of Police (CID, Women Safety Wing) Ms. Charu Sinha, IPS interacted with the community to understand their concerns. She drew attention to ‘Pride Place,’ a specialized system established within the Women Safety Wing specifically to address issues faced by transgender persons.

Ms.Charu Sinha, IPS encouraged the attendees to approach the wing without hesitation for any grievances or instances of harassment, assuring them that the police are ready to resolve their issues to help them integrate respectfully into society.

Shri. Rajender, Additional Director of Transgender Welfare, Hyderabad District, stated that there are approximately 50,000 transgender persons in Telangana. He advised the community members to obtain identity cards issued by the Central government to avail themselves of reservations and welfare schemes. He also noted that special efforts are underway to facilitate job opportunities in the corporate sector.

Joint Commissioner of Police (Law and Order) Tafseer Iqbal, DCP (North) Rashmi Perumal, DCP (West) Chintamaneni Srinivas, DCP (Women Safety Wing) Lavanya Naik Jadhav, and Cyberabad DCP (Women and Child Safety Wing) Srujana were among the senior officials present.

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## PRESS NOTE

### Swift Action by Cyber Cops, Hyderabad — Complainant Reports in Golden Hour

**CASE FACTS:** The Cyber Crime Unit of Hyderabad City Police successfully resolved two APK-based cyber fraud cases, where golden-hour reporting enabled officers to block transactions and recover the defrauded amounts.

#### 1. Cyber Fraud Case – Malicious “M-Parivahan” APK

On 05-12-2025, a 26-year-old Software Engineer from Yousufguda received a fake WhatsApp message demanding a ₹1,000 traffic fine with a link to download an APK titled “M-Parivahan.” The link redirected to (<https://mparivahan.live/Rto>) ,which auto-installed malware that accessed bank OTPs and enabled unauthorized ICICI credit card transactions totaling ₹5,23,125.

The victim immediately contacted 1930 and filed a complaint on the National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal. A case was registered, and notices were issued to ICICI Bank and Amazon Pay to stop and reverse transactions. Thanks to the swift coordination of PC B. Priyanka, ICICI Bank, and Amazon Pay, the entire ₹5,23,125 was recovered.

#### 2. Cyber Fraud Case – Fake RBL Bank APK

On 10-11-2025, a 53-year-old resident of Amberpet received an APK claiming RBL credit card updates. After installation, the malware captured OTPs, causing fraudulent transactions of ₹1,25,822, with more pending.

The victim approached the Cyber Crime PS, where PCs N. Srikanth Naik and Md. Javeed assisted him through the NCRP portal. The malicious app was removed, and investigation found the fraud routed through Flipkart and Mobikwik for Digital Gift Cards. The orders were cancelled, and ₹1,00,000 was refunded to the victim.

#### Technical Findings

The APK had permissions to read SMS/OTPs, allowing fraudsters to access Flipkart and initiate card-based purchases. They also attempted to hijack the victim’s WhatsApp account to impersonate him and spread the malicious APK further.

#### PUBLIC ADVISORY - Importance of the Golden Hours

In cyber fraud cases, the Golden Hour—the first few minutes to one hour after the fraud occurs—is the most critical period. Reporting within this window gives police and banks the best chance to block, freeze, or reverse the fraudulent transactions before the money is transferred out of the system.

#### Beware of Fraudulent APK Files

Cybercriminals are spreading dangerous APK files under names such as:

- ❑ “M-Parivahan”
- ❑ (<https://mparivahan.live/Rto>)
- ❑ "RTO CHALLAN". apk"
- ❑ Customercare.apk
- ❑ Bank APK and others

These are distributed via WhatsApp, SMS, social media links, and groups.

Once installed, they gain unauthorized access to your phone, steal personal data, bank credentials, and OTPs, leading to major financial losses.

#### Safety Guidelines for the Public

- ❑ Never download or install APK files from unknown sources, especially those received on WhatsApp, SMS, or social media.

- ❓ Only download apps from official stores like Google Play Store or Apple App Store.
- ❓ Never share bank details, card numbers, CVV, or OTPs with anyone — even if they claim to be from a bank or government office.
- ❓ Avoid saving your credit/debit card details on e-commerce platforms.
- ❓ Delete saved card details after completing online purchases.
- ❓ Immediately report suspicious transactions to the Cyber Crime Helpline 1930 or file a complaint at the National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal.

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