

# Revanth seeks nod for new Metro plan

## Appeals to Amit Shah to allocate additional IPS posts to TS

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Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy on Thursday appealed to the Centre to allocate 29 additional IPS posts and approve the revised proposals for Hyderabad Metro Phase II.

During his first meeting with Union Home Minister Amit Shah after becoming Chief Minister, he said only 76 IPS officers were allotted to Telangana during the bifurcation of Andhra Pradesh. Considering the districts' formation and monitoring of various departments, there was a need to allocate 29 additional IPS posts to Telangana, he urged Shah.

Responding positively, the Home Minister assured him of allocating additional officers to Telangana from the new IPS batch in 2024. Asking to expedite the bifurcation of institutions under the Ninth schedule and initiate measures to address the bifurcation of issues under the 10th Schedule of the AP Reorganisation Act, and the bifurcation of the common Rashtra Bhavan in New Delhi, he said special focus should be laid on institutions that have not been mentioned in the Act and are being claimed by Andhra Pradesh.

The Chief Minister also appealed to the Home Minister to allocate Rs 88 crore for strengthening the Anti-Narcotics Bureau in Telangana and Rs 90 crore for strengthening the Telangana Cyber Security Bureau.

Pointing out that the Andhra Pradesh government utilised structures such as the Raj Bhavan, High Court, Lokayukta and SHRC in Hyderabad even after the bifurcation, the Chief Minister said a total of Rs 408 crore, including interest from Andhra



Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy greets Home Minister Amit Shah in New Delhi on Thursday.

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Pradesh, was payable to Telangana.

#### Metro Phase II revised proposals

Revanth Reddy, during his meeting with Union Urban Development and Housing Minister Hardeep Singh Puri, urged him to approve the revised proposals for Hyderabad Metro Phase II.

He said the Hyderabad Metro Phase II — BHEL-Lakdikapul, Nagole-LB Nagar, covering 26 km at an estimated cost of Rs 9,100 crore and Airport Metro Corridor-Raidurgam to Shamshabad Airport covering 32 km and estimated cost of Rs 6,250 crore — had to be re-

vised. "The Central government should consider taking up the revised Metro project in association with the Telangana government," he urged the Union Urban Development and Housing Minister.

Explaining the State's plans for the comprehensive development of the Musi Riverfront, the Chief Minister sought the Centre's support for that as well. The Chief Minister said the State government had also decided to build Indiramma Houses for the poor and sought Puri's approval for sanctioning them under the Prime Minister's Awas Yojana.

### CM meets Central Ministers in Delhi

**HYDERABAD:** Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy, who flew to New Delhi on Thursday, met some Union Ministers, including Home Minister Amit Shah, and discussed several issues pertaining to Telangana.

He also met Urban Affairs Minister Hardeep Singh Puri and Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat. During his meeting with Shekhawat, Irrigation Minister N Uttam Kumar Reddy, who joined Revanth Reddy, appealed to him to accord national status to the Palamuru Rangareddy Lift Irrigation (PLRI) scheme.

A request was also made to sanction 60 per cent of funds for PLRIS. "However, he said there was no practice now of according national status to projects and assured us that funds would be sanctioned under different schemes," Uttam Kumar said.

Already, Forest, Wildlife, Environment, Central Electricity Authority, Central Soil and Materials Research Station, Ministry of Tribal Affairs and Central Ground Water Board clearances have been obtained for the PLRI, he said. The Irrigation Minister said hydrology, irrigation planning and cost estimate, and BC Ratio and interstate aspects clearances were under scrutiny at different directorates of the CWC.

Revanth was scheduled to meet the AICC leadership to discuss the strategy for the ensuing Lok Sabha elections and seat-sharing with I.N.D.I.A bloc. He and Uttam are likely to meet UPSC Chairman Manoj Soni on Friday.