

Focus on profitable crops, says agri minister

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AGRICULTURE Minister K Kannababu has directed officials to focus on alternative and profitable crops. He said that crop planning will be prepared taking the market conditions and suggestions of agriculture advisory committees into consideration.

Speaking at a review meeting with the officials of agriculture, horticulture and food processing departments at the

APIIC office at Mangalagiri on Friday, the minister gave instructions on setting up secondary food processing industries each in all the 25 Parliamentary Constituencies.

Asserting that steps should be taken to increase the cultivation of horticulture crops in another one lakh acres, he suggested the officials to encourage remunerative crops like coco, coconut, oil palm, etc.,



He also instructed the officials to reduce the cultivation of Subabul, tobacco crops and prepare a plan to divert the farmers towards cultivation of horticulture and other profitable crops.

Observing that horticulture crops in some areas and sericulture are yet to come under the purview of e-crop, he wanted the officials to take steps for bringing the said crops under the ambit of e-crop.

Asking the officials to ensure that tomato growers were not suffering losses, the Minister took stock of the conditions in Madanapalli and Punganur market yards. He said that the registration process for supplying paddy seeds will commence from May 25 and distribution will be held from June 1. Agriculture Special Chief Secretary P Malakondaiah, Commissioner H Arun Kumar, Horticulture Commissioner Sridhar, and AP Seeds MD Sekhar Babu were also present

Govt pushing state into debt-trap: BJP

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BJP state unit came down heavily on the YSRC government on Friday alleging that it is pushing Andhra Pradesh into a debt trap by indiscriminately borrowing loans. Alleging failure on the part of the Jagan Mohan Reddy government in handling COVID-19 crisis, the party has also said that it would demonstrate a state-wide protest on Sunday and threatened to besiege the

residences of ministers if they don't swing into action to streamline the irregularities.

The BJP leaders held separate press conferences on Friday. While state president Somu Veerajuru said that his party has opposed Governor's address and the tall claims of the government regarding Navaratnalu in the assembly during the presentation of budget, MLC PVN Madhav alleged that the state government was only running the show by continuing borrow-

ings. "The debt burden when the state was bifurcated was ₹97,000 crore. The TDP government increased it by over ₹2 lakh crore. Now, the YSRC government has further increased it by ₹1.18 lakh crore in the span of just two years," Madhav noted. He advised the government to have a vision on how to improve the financial resources. Party state general secretary S Vishnu Vardhan Reddy alleged that the government failed in handling Covid situation.

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