

# PRAJA PORTAL TO BE UNVEILED DURING BHARAT SUMMIT

New digital initiative to display real-time data on welfare schemes, including financial outlays and beneficiary details

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IN a move that underscores its commitment to transparency, accountability and participatory governance, the state government is likely to announce a new digital initiative — "Praja Portal" — during the ongoing Bharat Summit on Saturday.

According to sources, the portal will serve as a comprehensive platform displaying real-time data on the implementation of various welfare schemes, including financial outlays and beneficiary details.

The government is set to announce this decision on Saturday unless an unforeseen development related to the Pahalgam terror attack crops up.

The initiative is being positioned as a technological manifestation of the Congress-led government's slogan Praja Prabhutvam, a government by the people and for the people.

The launch coincides with the Bharat Summit, which the Congress government is projecting as a congregation of progressive thinkers. By timing the announcement with the summit, the administration aims to reinforce its image as a transparent and re-

form-driven regime.

The portal is expected to feature detailed data on key welfare programmes, including those under the Congress' flagship six guarantees such as the 2500 LPG subsidy, free TGSRTC bus travel for women, Rythu Bharosa, 2500 bonus per quintal of paddy, distribution of superfine rice through the public distribution system, 200 units of free electricity, and housing and employment schemes like Indiramma Indlu and Rajiv Yuva Vikasam.

## Rajasthan model

Details of financial assistance provided through the Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF), including names of beneficiaries and amounts disbursed, are also likely to be made publicly accessible.

Officials have indicated that the portal is being developed in collaboration with non-governmental organisations (NGOs), drawing inspiration from a similar transparency model currently in place in Rajasthan. In addition to financial disclosures, the government is also planning to integrate a grievance redressal mechanism into the portal, enabling citizens to lodge complaints and track resolutions directly.



AICC Telangana in-charge Meenakshi Natarajan tries her hand at the charkha on the first day of Bharat Summit in Hyderabad on Friday | VINAY MADAPU