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City groups to counter protests against Jayakwadi water release

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Aurangabad: In what came as retaliation to ongoing political agitations in Ahmednagar and Nashik districts expressing oppose to the release of water from upstream dams into Jayakwadi project, voices have been growing from Aurangabad and the region for following the principal of equitable water distribution.

Eco-needs foundation, an advocacy group working for green cause, Saturday staged an agitation at Kranti Chowk to voice anger against stand taken by concerned political and other elements from Ahmednagar and Nashik districts against release of water for the benefit of Marathwada. The group has appealed citizens to boycott milk coming from these two neighbouring district as a mark of protest.

Both these districts supply around 40,000 litre of milk to Aurangabad district on a daily basis. If masses from Ahmednagar and are against the release of water for water-scarcity hit Marathwada, then we should also hit back by boycotting milk coming from these districts. While our hit economy will be affected due to non-release of water, let their economy also get suffer, said Priyanand Agale, head of Eco-needs foundation.

He said that water to be released from upstream dams in



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Jayakwadi has ordered in keeping with the orders from Maharashtra Water Resources Regulatory Authority (MWRRA), a quasi-judicial body set for equitable distribution of water for the state.

The MWRRA verdict has rationale of equitable distribution. The quasi-judicial body has not taken any biased stand against any district or region. It needs to be understood by people at large. It is unfortunate that political elements are twisting and turning the issue of equitable water distribution for personal gains, Agale said.

The Godavari Marathwada Irrigation Development Corporation (GMIDC) has recently directed the release of

12.84 TMC water into Jayakwadi project from upstream dams into Jayakwadi major irrigation project, which is left with only 6% stock as against over 40% storage last year.

Meanwhile, among other organisations, different leftist groups from Marathwada and other social organisations have planned protest in front of the GMIDC office on Jalana Road to press for water-release into Jayakwadi on Friday.

"Sugar barons from Ahmednagar and Nashik want their sugarcane farms to get irrigated at the cost of drinking water of Marathwada. To protest this mentality, we will be staging an agitation," senior leftist leader Abhay Takal said.

Woman seeks cop help over daughter's fake FB profile

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Aurangabad: A 42-year-old woman has lodged a complaint against an unidentified suspect for allegedly preparing a fake account of her daughter on social networking site Facebook and using it for maligning her image.

The woman, a social worker hailing from Vaijapur taluka in the district, after learning about the fake account of her daughter, rushed to the city. In her complaint lodged with the police, the woman stated that her daughter is pursuing education at Government Engineering College, Osmanpura and recently found that her daughter's image was allegedly being maligning by an unidentified suspect, who reportedly created a fake account in her name on a social networking site.

As per her complaint, her fake account is allegedly being used for the past three months starting from July 20.

Based on her complaint, the Kranti Chowk police have registered an offence under various sections Information and Technology Act against the unidentified suspect and considering the sensitivity of the case, police station chief Govardhan Kolekar is himself investigating the matter.