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NEW YEAR RESOLUTION RUN 2024

Date: 01st Jan, 2024
Location: KBR Park

The year began with the customary **New Year Resolution** Run at the KBR Park. 45 people turned up for the run and all of them ran 5K. Post run, everyone gathered for a NY celebratory cake cutting.



HI-TEC CITY RUNNERS ANNIVERSARY RUN

Date: 21st Jan, 2024
Location: Hitex Campus, Kondapur

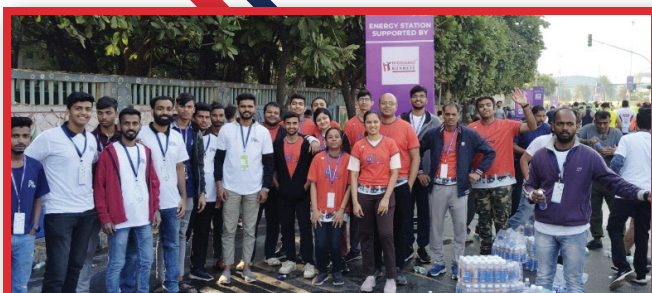
Hitech City Runners group organised their 4th anniversary run on 21st January. Over 360 runners participated in the 5K and 10K categories. The venue for this run was the Hitex Campus.



VOLUNTEERING AT THE TATA MUMBAI MARATHON 2024

Date: 21st Jan, 2024
Location: Mumbai

As part of extending support to major running events in India, Hyderabad Runners (HR) participated in the **Tata Mumbai Marathon**, the largest road race in India. HR owned a SAG station catering to both the half-marathon and the marathon runners by distributing Fast & Up bottles. A 15-member team led the initiative from the HR side and managed the SAG station from 04:00 AM to 11:00 AM.



APARNA SAROVARTHON

Date: 21st Jan, 2024
Location: Aparna Township, Nallagandla

Runners from the Aparna Townships in Nallagandla organised their annual running event, the Sarovarthon on 21st January. 350 people participated in this event. ahead of them!



MONTHLY MEET-UP RUN FOR JANUARY

Date: 27th January, 2024

Location: KBR Park

January monthly meet-up run was organised at the KBR Park on the 27th January. Over 40 runners joined this monthly community run followed by a community discussion on all things running.



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VIHANGATHON 2024

Date: 04th Feb, 2024

Location: My Home Vihanga, Gachibowli

The My Home Vihanga (MHV) Runners hosted the 3rd edition of **Vihangathon** on the 4th February from their community premises. More than 550 running enthusiasts participated in this annual event.



DONATION TO THE TOUCH FOUNDATION

Date: 04th Feb, 2024

Location: Touch NGO Mahbubnagar Telangana

Hyderabad Runners Society donated 50 running kits to the underprivileged kids from **TOUCH** (The Organisation For Unfounded And Crisis Humanity) NGO in Mahbubnagar. The running shoes were sponsored by Walkaroo, the shoe company. The kids were also given bags from the Hyderabad Runners. The secretary of the Hyderabad Runners, Arunkumar Kaliappan was present for the occasion.



GRUNDE 2024

Date: 11th Feb, 2024

Location: Aparna Sarovar Grande, Nallagandla

The Aparna Sarovar Grande Runners hosted the 2nd edition of Grunde run on the 11th February from their community premises. More than 600 running enthusiasts participated in this annual event.



CLUB RUN 2024

Date: 18th Feb, 2024

Location: University of Hyderabad (UoH)

The 15th edition of the Club Run was conducted on 18th February inside the picturesque University of Hyderabad (UoH) campus. Runs were conducted in the half-marathon, 10K and the 5K categories. A total of 2200+ runners participated across various categories.

The results and the timing certificates can now be downloaded from the Timing India website (<https://bit.ly/clubrun2024results>).



K25K GRADUATION RUN 2024

Date: 18th Feb, 2024

Location: University of Hyderabad (UoH)

The annual **K25K (Kouch-to-5K) program** of the Hyderabad Runners ended in February. The Graduation Run was conducted alongside the Club Run event on 18th February. The finale saw over 380 enthusiastic runners run their debut 5K runs. The K25K program is a flagship initiative of the Hyderabad Runners to take running to newer people and to touch new lives.



PROJECT CHAMPION SPORTS MEET-UP

Date: 19th-24th Feb, 2024

Location: Various Schools

Through its flagship project, **PROJECT CHAMPION, HYDERABAD RUNNERS SOCIETY** organised School Games at various government schools - namely MGN Primary School, NBT Primary School, NBT High School, Shaikpet Primary School, and the Shaikpet High School on the 19th, 21st, 23rd, and 24th in the respective schools or at the nearby playgrounds (as applicable). The games saw a total of 1363 children participate across various events and age groups. Out of these, 732 children emerged victorious; the winners were honoured with medals and certificates. The kids were also provided refreshments.

Physical Education teachers appointed by the Hyderabad Runners Society worked closely with the kids from these 5 schools. They diligently trained the kids for over 100 days leading up to the games.



MONTHLY MEET-UP RUN FOR FEBRUARY

Date: 24th Feb, 2024

Location: Botanical Gardens

February monthly meet-up run was organised at the Botanical Gardens on the 24th February. Over 40 runners joined this unique meet-up run.



SLR CALENDAR (NEW)

SUNDAY LONG RUNS CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2024 TO APRIL 2024



FEBRUARY 2024

- 4**
SUNDAY

SLR, HMDA Layout, Uppal, LB Nagar Runners

14
12
KMS
- 11**
SUNDAY

Kukatpally, Near Pragati Nagar,
Pragati Nagar Runners.
Osmania University, Tarnaka OU Runners.

20
16
KMS
- 18**
SUNDAY

"Hyderabad Runners : CLUB RUN 2024 & K2-5K
Race Categories : 5, 10 Kms & Half Marathon"
University of Hyderabad, Volunteers.
- 24**
SATURDAY

HRS - Monthly Meetup ,
location to be announced, Self Supported.

5
KMS
- 25**
SUNDAY

Kothaguda, Hitec City Main Gate, Hitec City Runners.
ECIL, Cherlapally, ECIL Runners.

18
15
KMS

MARCH 2024

- 21**
15
KMS

ICRISAT RUN, Patancheru, Volunteers.
Botanical Garden, Kondapur, AIH Runners.

3
SUNDAY
- 20**
17
KMS

Clubrun, Volunteer Run, Gachibowli, BG Runners.
HMDA Layout, Uppal Runners.

10
SUNDAY
- 18**
15
KMS

Alkapoor, Manikonda,
Alkapoor Runners.
Habsiguda, K Runners.

17
SUNDAY
- 21**
16
KMS

Ratnadeep Super Market, Nallagandla,
Nallagandla Runners.
Alwal Anniversary Run, Secunderabad.

24
SUNDAY
- 5**
KMS

HRS - Monthly Meetup.
Location to be announced, Self Supported.

30
SATURDAY
- 20**
16
KMS

WOMEN'S SPECIAL RUN,
Location to be announced

31
SUNDAY

APRIL 2024 : NMDC HYDERABAD MARATHON TRAINING (20 WEEKS)

- 7**
SUNDAY

Farm House Run, Gandipeta,
Kokapet & Gandipet Runners.
Necklace Road, Khairatabad, SP Runners.

18
15
KMS
- 14**
SUNDAY

Miyapur, Panchajanya Runners
Rabbit's Park, Secunderabad,
Secunderabad Runners.

17
10
KMS
- 21**
SUNDAY

Hill Park, Chandanagar,
Aparna Hill Park Runners.
Indira Park Anniversary Run, Shamshabad

19
13
KMS
- 27**
SUNDAY

HRS - Monthly Meetup,
Location to be announced, Self Supported.

5
KMS
- 28**
SUNDAY

PBEL City, Appa Junction,
Peeran Cheruvu Runners.
HMDA Layout, Uppal, LB Nagar Runners

19
14
KMS



Date | Name Of The Run or Event
Location | Supported By | Distances

All the runs are subject to local authorities,
Police permission.

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Vagamon Ultrail – The popular trail race in Southern India, the Vagamon Ultrail was held on Jan 6, 2024. **Geeno Antony** won the men's 60K event with a time of 07:20:00 while **Trupti Katkar Chavan** won the women's 60K event at 10:16:11. **Sagar Khemani** (03:34:00) won the men's 33K race while **Juby George** (04:43:00) won the female 33K category

Tata Mumbai Marathon – The 19th edition of the Tata Mumbai Marathon (TMM) was held on Jan 21, 2024. This is the largest road race in India. Ethiopians **Hayle Lemi** (2:07:50) and **Aberash Minsewo** (2:26:06) won the men's and women's elite races, respectively. Among the Indian runners, **Srinu Bugatha** came first with a time of 2:17:29, while **Niramben Thakor Bharatjee** was the first Indian female with a time of 2:47:11.

Auroville Marathon – Another popular running event, the **Auroville Marathon** was held on Feb 18, 2024 after a gap of 4 years. As always, the run was held in the picturesque experimental town of Auroville. The unique event with no timing goal and no medals saw enthusiastic participation from runners all around the country.

New Delhi Marathon – The 9th edition of the **Apollo Tyres New Delhi Marathon** was held on Feb 25, 2024. **Gopi Thonakal** won the men's marathon with a time of 02:14:00, while **Ashwin Madhan Jadhav** won the women's race with a time of 02:52:25. Popular among Indian runners for its 'flat PB course', this year's edition saw enthusiastic participation from many runners from Hyderabad too. Many hit their personal bests at this event. **Avik Pal** (2:39), **Surendra Paravada** (2:54:57), **Ashwin Acharya** (2:55:05) and **Venkata Satish Jayanti** (2:56:09) from Hyderabad Runners achieved the much coveted sub-3 marathon timings in this race.

Tata Ultra Marathon – The 7th edition of the **Tata Ultra Marathon** event was held on Feb 25, 2024. Held on the hilly roads of Lonavala Pune, the event is popular among runners for its scenic route. Many run this event as a practice run for the **Comrades Ultramarathon**. **Sachin Kumar** won the men's 50K event with a time of 3:13:24 while **Jyoti Shankarrao Gawate** came first among women in the 50K category with a time of 04:03:02.

Kelvin Kiptum – The running world was shocked by the untimely demise of **Kelvin Kiptum** in a road accident on Feb 11, 2024. He along with his coach, Gervais Hakizimana from Rwanda died in a tragic road accident near Kaptagat in Kenya. Kelvin holds the world record for the fastest Marathon, with a time of 2:00:35, which he set at the Chicago Marathon 2023.



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