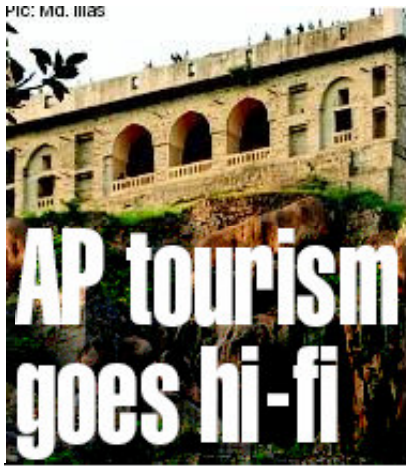


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**H**ow many times have you heard 20-something pesky 'guides' hounding you at the Golconda Fort with an "Ayiye madam! *Ayiye saar, sirf 100 rupaye mein hum Golkonda dikhayenge*" or "New Hyderabad? I show! Just 100 rupees, Sir, I show all!" Now, tourists at the city of Nawabs, don't have to be hassled anymore. The AP Tourism Board is all set to introduce a new gizmo, that will act as an audio-visual guide for tourists.

Jayesh Ranjan, Secretary of Government, Tourism, says, "Golconda is rich in heritage and this device does justice to its history. Designed by a Hyderabad-based firm, it looks like a cell phone and will give a guided tour of your favorite monument with relevant videos to make your historical experience all the more interesting." Pay a fees of ₹300 and you can experience Golconda like you never have before, he adds.

The project should take off by July 26. The gizmo will be tested at Golconda, before it is implemented in other tourist hotspots in the city.

