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After Art 370 abrogation, Govt aims to reach every citizen in J&K: Sitharaman

Inaugurates Income Tax office in Srinagar

STATE TIMES NEWS
 SRINAGAR: The people of Jammu and Kashmir were denied development for over 70 years, but after the abrogation of Article 370, the government aims to reach out to every citizen of the union territory and give them their due, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said here on Monday.

The minister inaugurated 'The Chinars', Aayakar Bhawan-cum-residential complex, the first permanent establishment of the department of income tax in the UT, at the Rajbagh area here in the presence Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha.

Sitharaman said around 40,000 people were killed due to terrorism over the years in Jammu and Kashmir, and a land which is otherwise very peaceful and beautiful has spent so many years in a very "heart-crushing and tragic phase".



FM Nirmala Sitharaman and LG Manoj Sinha during inauguration of new Aayakar Bhawan cum residential complex at Srinagar.

Taxpayers most valuable allies of IT Deptt: LG

SRINAGAR: Expressing gratitude to the Finance Minister for the economic reforms in J&K, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Monday said that the 'The Chinars - Aayakar Bhawan' will play a significant role in streamlining the process for the taxpayers of J&K.

Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi since 2014, the income tax system has been made vibrant and transparent. The implementation of 'Vivad Se Vishwas' scheme by Prime Minister is the first major revolution in the history of tax system.

The Lt Governor said that during the last about two years, J&K has been steadily progressing in true sense, offering opportunities to women, youth, entrepreneurs and farmers alike. The historic Industrial Scheme

"Now, post the abrogation of (Article) 370, the delimitation commission has also been constituted. DDC polls have shown that people are looking forward to aspirational meeting of their dreams.

"Therefore, I would want to tell you in the context of dedicating this building that it is only a guise that I am doing this, but the larger issue is reaching out to every person in J-K, giving them their due which has been denied to them for the last 70 years," the minister said.

Sitharaman said development for Jammu and Kashmir is something that has been in the wings for a long time but "which has never happened".

"You see some development here and there, but the consistent pace at which the infrastructure was required, basic materials important for living and also for

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J&K records 160 fresh COVID cases, Ladakh 16

STATE TIMES NEWS
 SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir on Monday recorded 160 fresh COVID-19 cases that took its infection tally to 3,35,528, while one more fatality pushed the death toll to 4,462, officials said.

Of the fresh cases, 32 were reported from the Jammu division and 128 from the Kashmir division of the union territory, they said.

Srinagar district recorded the highest number of fresh cases at 59, followed by 38 in Baramulla. There are 1,665 active COVID-19 cases in Jammu and Kashmir: So

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NIA detains HR activist in terror funding case in Srinagar

STATE TIMES NEWS
 SRINAGAR: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Monday detained a human rights activist here as it carried out raids at different places in connection with a terror funding case, officials said.

Khurram Parvez, the coordinator of the J&K Coalition of Civil Society, was detained during a raid on his Sonawar residence in the city, the officials said.

On October 28 last year, the NIA had searched 10 locations, including that of

Parvez, in the valley and one in Bangalore in a case pertaining to certain so-called NGOs and trusts raising funds in India and abroad in the name of charitable activities and then using those funds for carrying out secessionist and separatist activities in Jammu and Kashmir.

The case was registered on October 8, 2020 under sections of the IPC and the UAPA on receiving "credible information that certain NGOs and trusts are collecting funds domestically

and abroad through so-called donations and business contributions" and then using them to fund terror activities in the Union territory, the agency had said.

Besides Sonawar, the raids were carried out at the main office of the coalition of civil society at Amirakadal Bund in the heart of the city, the officials said. They said several incriminating documents and electronic devices were seized during the raids and further details are awaited.

ANTF conducts raids in Delhi, Ghaziabad; arrests two Inter-state drug dealers

STATE TIMES NEWS
 JAMMU: Anti Narcotics Task Force (ANTF) J&K has conducted raids at various parts of Delhi and Ghaziabad and arrested two drug dealers.

"Both the arrested persons were wanted in various cases of ANTF and were the main distributors and suppliers of banned Pharmaceutical drugs to Jammu and Kashmir," SSF ANTF Vinay Sharma. He added that they were operating from Delhi and its adjoining areas

including Ghaziabad. "Two teams of ANTF were constituted which were led by Inspector Sunil Singh Jasrotia and Inspector Ankush Chib under close supervision of DySP Arun Jamwal," Sharma said adding that these teams conducted series of raids in Delhi and Ghaziabad areas and with the help of Delhi and Ghaziabad Police, were able to arrest two most wanted Drug dealers.

Both have been identified as Ajay Gupta alias Bunty,

son of Gulab Chand Gupta, resident of Govindpuram, Ghaziabad and Shirshak Sharma alias Honey, son of Hari Krishen Sharma, resident of Naveen Shahdara, Delhi and both have been arrested in case FIR No 45/2020 under Sections 8/21/22/29 NDPS Act at police Station ANTF Jammu.

"They used to stock and store banned pharmaceutical drugs in Godowns and later used to supply these drugs

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Ahead of Parliament session, Govt calls all-party meet on Sunday

STATE TIMES NEWS
 NEW DELHI: Ahead of the winter session of Parliament, the government has called an all-party meeting on Sunday, which is expected to be attended by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, sources said on Monday.

The floor leaders of all the political parties from both houses of Parliament have been invited to the meeting, they added.

Besides Modi, senior Union ministers Rajnath Singh and Amit Shah, along

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Maternity Hospital or Govt Hospital Gandhi Nagar

One complex, 2 hospitals; supervision dilemma impacts healthcare

VIVEK SHARMA
 JAMMU: As many hospitals across the Jammu region are grappling with the staff crunch, the Gandhi Nagar Hospital in the winter capital has double supervisory staff, as the government is yet to decide whether it is Maternity Hospital or a General Hospital. Result, healthcare remains at stake and ailing people at the receiving end.

The Gandhi Nagar Hospital has duplication of manpower, two medical superintendents, separate nursing, Class IV, security, sanitation staff with no coordination between them, resulting in lack of responsibility and under-utilised services.

The state-of-the-art complex, set up for specialized treatment, has been waiting



MATERNITY HOSPITAL GANDHI NAGAR (GMC JAMMU (MEDICAL EDUCATION))
 • 239 beds (4 Gy Cobalt Operation Theatres, 4 Labor rooms, 14 bedded emergency, Maternal ICU, NICU & PICU)
 • New Building (two basements, ground plus 4 floors)
 • No OPD, Diagnostics lacking (No CT Scan, ultrasound, laboratories, only portable X Rays available), No Blood Bank, No Ambulances
 • Space Shortage for all services, Maternity Hospital Gandhi Nagar cannot run as independent Comprehensive Hospital.

GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL GANDHI NAGAR (HEALTH)
 • 160 beds, but functional are less
 • Old Building dilapidated blocks (need to be dismantled)
 • Connectivity problem, No scope of expansion; Insufficient circulation of public traffic; useless thorough fare of public from emergency to inside the hospital to cross over the roads; insufficient and improper parking; insufficient green space
 • Separate OPD Complex (OPD Rooms, CT Scan, Laboratory, Digital X Ray's, Ultrasound etc.)
 • Separate Eye complex
 • Though independent hospital manpower is under utilised

for the government decision to make the full hospital operational either under the Medical Education Department or the Health Department.

At present, the hospital in Gandhi Nagar includes 200 Bedded Maternity Wing, duly approved and functional. This wing was, however, superintended by the Health Department initially but later came under the control of the Medical Education Department in the wake of COVID outbreak in April 2020. This created a peculiar situation with two wings in the same complex under the superintendence of both -Government Hospital Gandhi Nagar under the supervision of Deptt of Health Services and Maternity Hospital Gandhi

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