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Kohli's ton, Jadeja's five wickets help India thrash South Africa by 243 runs in World Cup

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# UT bags bronze in Volleyball

# Cong didn't care for tribal welfare, cares for one family: Modi

### STATE TIMES NEWS

SEONI/KHANDWA: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday credited tribal people for Lord Ram's hallowed divine status and said while the BJP worshipped tribals the Congress didn't care for their welfare, seeking to expand the saffron party's social outreach in the crucial Madhya Pradesh assembly

Addressing public meetings at Seoni and Khandwa for the November 17 elections, Modi took potshots at Congress over the 'infighting' between two senior Congress leaders for "establishing their sons and capturing the party organisation in the state", an apparent reference to Kamal Nath and Digvijaya Singh.

Modi said the Congress is desperate to form a government in MP and wanted to make the state its ATM for Lok Sabha elections for



ment will spend Rs 15,000 crore for the welfare of the Bhaira, Baiga, and Saharia tribes through a special mission who were ignored by the earlier Congress govern-

"We are the disciples and worshippers of tribals who made Lord Ram, the Purshottam Ram," Modi said in Seoni district, which falls under the Mahakoshal region where tribal votes are key.

"looting money". Out of the total 230 assemble said the BJP governbly seats in MP, 47 are

reserved for the Scheduled Tribe candidates. Of the four

assembly seats in Seoni, two

are reserved for tribal candi-

In Khandwa, Modi said the Congress was desperate to come to power to turn the state into an 'ATM' ahead of the Lok Sabha elections and exuded confidence that BJP will retain power for the third consecutive term at the

Modi said the Congress,

five to six decades in the country after Independence, did not do anything for the welfare of the tribal commu-

He also said the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojna, providing free ration to 80 crore poor people, will be extended for the next five

The PM listed the works done by the BJP government for the uplift of tribals and slammed the previous Congress government over various scams.

During the regime before 2014, scams worth lakhs and crores of rupees took place but no such thing has taken place during the BJP government and the money thus saved is being spent on providing free ration to the poor people, he

"The Congress is creating confusion among tribals. The word tribal does not

### Car plunges into gorge in Doda, 2 dead

### STATE TIMES NEWS

BHADARWAH/JAMMU: Two persons were killed and as many critically injured when a car skidded off the road and plunged into a deep gorge in Jammu and Kashmir's Doda district, police said on Sunday.

The car met with the accident at Jijote late Saturday night while it was on its way to Jodhpur village from Doda town, they added.

Doda Superintendent of Police Abdul Qayoom said police local volunteers launched a rescue operation soon after the vehicle rolled down into the gorge.

Four persons were rescued in injured condition and taken to Doda Medical College Hospital where two of them Ranjeet Kumar (40) and Sahil Kumar (18) -- were declared dead on arrival, he said. Nitin Kumar and Surinder Kumar are undergoing treatment at the hospital.

**Attends Achala Education Foundation Trust's event** 

Air surcharge 50 paisa for Leh

# **Education system must impart modern** knowledge, values to students: LG



LG Manoj Sinha speaking during Achala Education Foundation Trust's event in Ahmedabad.

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

AHMEDABAD, GUJARAT: Observing that education sector is undergoing through an interesting phase of transition and development, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Sunday said the education system must impart both modern knowledge and values to the students.

"It should stimulate passion quotient in the students and not just be confined to

information, Governor while participating "Achala Adhyapak organized Samman" Achala Education Foundation Trust Ahmedabad.

He felicitated the outstanding teachers and research scholars for their significant contribution in education sector.

At the felicitation ceremony, the Lt Governor commended the relentless efforts

Achala Foundation Trust, under the able guidance of well-known er Dr Mafatlal Patel, for transformation. strengthening educational institutions and to ensure quality education for all.

He highlighted the significant role of teachers in building a knowledge society and to empower and prepare youth for growth of the nation, in the fast-changing economic scenario.

The Lt Governor talked about the need to implement reforms in the education sector to empower the younger generation and provide solutions to global challenges.

He said the next big revolution that is unfolding in the world is the Artificial Intelligence revolution. We should ensure that such modern tools should

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### Man posing as CBI officer arrested in Kunzer

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

SRINAGAR: A man was arrested for allegedly impersonating as a CBI officer and duping a resident of lakhs of rupees in Baramulla district, police said on Sunday.

A fake identity card and some stolen items were also recovered from his possession, a police spokesman

The accused, identified as Javeed Ahmed Rather, was arrested after Kunzer police station received a complaint about the fraud, he said. In his complaint, Farooq

Ahmad Wani of Wassun Bangil alleged that Rather presented himself as a CBI

### Slow progress in setting up charging stations, other infra delay launch of electric buses STATE TIMES NEWS

### JAMMU: The slow progress

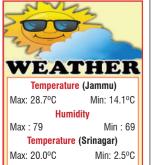
in setting up of infrastructure including charging stations by Tata Motors has delayed the launch of 100 electric buses here, official sources said on Sunday.

According to Tata Motors, "charging infrastructure in both Srinagar and Jammu is being consistently developed and is now in ready to operate mode.

Under the Smart City Project, the Jammu and Kashmir administration has placed an order with Tata Motors for procurement of 200 electric buses equipped with state-of-the-art facilities, including a real-time tracking system, for the twin capital cities of the Union Territory.

The move to introduce 100 eco-friendly buses each in Jammu and Srinagar is aimed at reducing air and noise pollution and dependence on fossil fuels, as well as to provide better facilities to the people. The electric

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Sunset: 17:30 Hours

Sunrise: 06:47 Hours

Min: 66

Max: 89

officer to him, and assured him of securing a placement for his child at the NDA.

Rather was accompanied by his three associates, identified as Anjuman Afreen, Aaqib Ahmad Wani and Rafeeq Ahmad Wani, the spokesman said.

As the situation unfolded, the accused individuals resorted to theft decamped with household items, including a geyser, an inverter, a CCTV camera, and a television from the complainant's residence, he said. The complainant was allegedly defrauded of a sum amounting to about

**STATE TIMES NEWS** 

JAMMU: The urban local

body and panchayat elections

in Jammu and Kashmir are

likely to be delayed as the

administration is mulling

changes to municipal acts

and rules as well as a delimi-

tation exercise to address

skewed distribution of elec-

tors, officials said on Sunday.

administration is considering

the delimitation exercise for

municipal wards and pan-

chayat segments in the back-

drop of a delimitation exer-

cise that was carried out by

the Election Commission for

assembly and parliamentary

seats, said the officials,

requesting anonymity.

The Union Territory's

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**STATE TIMES NEWS** 

JAMMU: Fifth Phase of Back to Village Programme (B2V5), J&K Government's flagship public outreach initiative, shall be conducted between November 7 and 16 across the Union Territory.

Announcement in this regard was made at a high level meeting of the senior functionaries of the Jammu and Kashmir Government, chaired by Chief Secretary Dr Arun Kumar Mehta on Sunday. The meeting was attended

Administrative Finance,

Local body polls likely to be delayed in J&K

The housing and urban

development department is

actively pursuing a commu-

nication from the office of

the chief electoral officer,

which, among other things,

suggested transfer of man-

date to conduct the munici-

pal electoral processes to the

State Election Commission

(SEC) in accordance with

constitutional provisions,

In Jammu and Kashmir,

the chief electoral officer

(CEO) is the authority to

hold urban local body (ULB)

elections in addition to Lok

Sabha and assembly polls,

while the SEC -- headed by a

state election commissioner -



Fifth phase of B2V Programme to be organized

from Nov 7-16 in J&K

CS Dr Arun Kumar Mehta chairing a meeting in Jammu.

Department, Rural Development Department, Information Technology Department. Revenue Department and other senior functionaries

During the programme,

elections to Panchayati Raj

On September 23, Jammu

Congress Committee presi-

dent Vikar Rasool Wani in a

Governor Manoj Sinha had

demanded holding of ULB

elections under the SEC as

mandated by the 74th

"We urge the Lt Governor

to immediately set right the

constitutional wrong being

committed and hold the elec-

tions to municipal corpora-

tions and other urban local

bodies under the superinten-

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dence and control of an

Kashmir Pradesh

to Lieutenant

Institutions (PRI).

letter

amendment

Constitution.

Prabhari Officers shall visit their respective Panchayats and interact with the public and undertake review of previous and current year deliverables, preparation of next Gram Panchayat

### Apple imports not threat to industry in **J&K:** Dir Horticulture

STATE TIMES NEWS SRINAGAR: Import of apples from the US and other countries are not a threat to the industry in Jammu and Kashmir and it cannot be stopped, a senior official of the horticulture department said on Sunday. The official admitted

downfall in the apple production in the Union territory this season and attributed it to the erratic weather, requesting growers to attend awareness camps and follow the weather advisories of the department. "We have an agreement with them (apple producing countries)... If

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### Development Programme with special focus with respect to improving e-services penetration, user experience for greater accessibility and usage by citizens at large besides feedback on various notable achievements of Departments recognized at the national level.

Chief Secretary observed that the previous editions of B2V have helped in collating the requirements of the villages, prioritizing works of public importance and helped the government in ensuring last mile delivery of various government

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### betting platforms on ED request ■ STATE TIMES NEWS ting apps & websites, including Mahadev Book and Reddyannaprestopro," the

Govt blocks Mahadev app, 21 other illegal

NEW DELHI: The Centre has issued blocking orders against 22 illegal betting platforms, including Mahadev app Reddyannaprestopro, request of Enforcement Directorate, an official statement said on Sunday.

Minister of State for Electronics and IT Rajeev Chandrasekhar alleged the Chhattisgarh government did not send any request to block these platforms despite having powers to do so.

"Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has issued blocking orders against 22 illegal bet-

statement said.

The action follows investigations conducted by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) against illegal betting app syndicate and subsequent raids on Mahadev Book in Chhattisgarh, revealing the app's unlawful operations, it added.

"Chhattisgarh Government had all the power to recommend shutting down of website/app under Sec 69A IT Act. However, they did not do so and no such request is made by the

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## Modi Govt's 'Divyaang' welfare reforms inspired by sensitive commitment: Dr Jitendra



'Divvaang Sashaktikaran Sammelan' at Reasi on Sunday.

### STATE TIMES NEWS

REASI: Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology; Minister (Independent Charge) Earth MoSPMO,

Grievances. Atomic Energy and Space, Dr. Jitendra Singh on Sunday said that the PM Narendra Modi led government's "Divyaang" welfare reforms were inspired by a sensitive commitment and

were in keeping with Modi's declaration soon after taking over as PM that his government would be committed to sections of society hitherto not given the deserved priority and attention by successive governments in the past.

During his address, Dr. Jitendra Singh said that from the day PM Narendra Modi took over as the Prime Minister of India, certain drastic steps were taken by him for the welfare of Divyangs. Be that the fee remission for Divyangs in Civil Services Examination, additional choice of

# Ram Mandir consecration rituals begin with 'Akshat Puja'



### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

AYODHYA: Ahead of the consecration ceremony of the Ram Temple in January, rituals began on Sunday with 'akshat puja'. The 'akshat puja' is being performed at the temple

with about 100 quintals of whole rice mixed with turmeric and desi ghee, the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust said.

This 'pujit akshat' (worshipped rice) will be disute the rice across the tributed among 90 memnation before January 22,

bers of the Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) who have gathered here from 45 The 'akshat' was stored in organisational provinces of the country. These VHP members will then distrib-

the date for the consecration ceremony, the trust

brass 'kalash' (urn) that were kept before Lord Ram during the puja.

trust's secretary

representatives of the VHP of all the 45 provinces gathered in Ayodhya on Sunday. These representatives have been given five kilograms of akshat. The representatives of the provinces will distribute it amongst the representatives of the districts, blocks, tehsils and villages, said Rai. Rai said that 'pujit akshat' will be distributed in five lakh villages of the country from January 1to January 15, 2024. The trust has also published pamphlets containing information about the Ram temple. These pamphlets will be distributed with the akshat. Rai further said that they

will appeal every Ram devotee to light five lamps of mustard oil in the evening on the day of consecration.

### CRPF DG reviews security situation in interior areas of Srinagar



DG CRPF Sujoy Lal Thaosen and J&K DGP RR Swain jointly chairing security review meeting in Srinagar.

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS SRINAGAR:

Director General Sujoy Lal Thaosen on Sunday reviewed the security situation in interior areas of Srinagar city, an official said.

Thaosen visited several areas and was briefed by senior officers of the paramilitary force and Jammu and

Kashmir Police about the current security scenario, he said. The DG also visited a

CRPF camp at Eidgah and interacted with troops on various operations and administration issues, while lauding their unwavering commitment, the official said.