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## Rules governing change of land use to set up business enterprises on pvt lands in offing: LG

Interacts with Industry leaders in Kolkata, seeks investment in J&K

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
KOLKATA: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Tuesday announced that the Jammu and Kashmir government is coming up with the rules governing change of land use shortly to facilitate the setting up of business enterprises on private lands. "This will ensure the seamless establishment of business enterprises on private lands. Business enterprises coming up on private land shall be entitled to all the incentives as per extant policy and procedure", the Lt Governor said at an event, organized by Jammu & Kashmir Trade Promotion Organisation (JKTPO), Department of Industries and Commerce, J&K in association with Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) included Industrialist/ Investors from Eastern India. He also held interactions with the Industry leaders at Kolkata and invited them to



LG Manoj Sinha addressing during Industry Meet at Kolkata on Tuesday.

invest in the Union Territory of Jammu Kashmir. While discussing about the host of interventions made by the UT Government for creating a sustainable, balanced, progressive and competitive industrial ecosystem in the region, the Lt Governor made several important announcements on the occasion. The Lt Governor has announced the enhancement of the Industrial Development scheme outlay

to meet the exceeded expectation of Investments in Jammu Kashmir. "The proposed investment has already reached Rs. 31,000 Cr and is expected to cross Rs.51,000 Cr by the end of the financial year. Given the response received, the government is enhancing the scheme outlay to meet the demand", the Lt Governor observed. With the quantum jump witnessed in the proposals received for setting up busi-

ness enterprises, the demand for land has correspondingly increased, and to meet the growing demand, Land Bank is being developed across the UT. Due to the second wave of Covid and subsequent lockdown, several new industrial units have not been able to come into production within the specified timelines. To redress the issue, the Government is mulling to give a one-time extension to such units, upto March 31, 2022 for coming into production, announced the Lt Governor. Speaking on the occasion, the Lt Governor said that J&K UT is on a mission to renovate, reinvent, and ready to take a quantum leap to become the fastest-growing region in the country, pushing the targets for economic growth and employment. "Our aim is to deepen the trust with the business

## Ancient Durga idol found in Budgam

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SRINAGAR: Police in Budgam district recovered a 7th century idol of Goddess Durga in black stone on Tuesday, officials said here. The idol, believed to be 1300 years old, was found in Khag area, the officials said. "Officers of the Department of Archives, Archaeology & Museums were called for examination of the sculpture. It was established that the

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## Court rejects bail of mother-in-law in dowry death case

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Additional Sessions Judge Kathua Kamlesh Pandit rejected bail application of one Shankuntla Devi, mother-in-law of deceased, Anju Devi in dowry death case. According to police, on October 21, 2021 Police Station Rajbagh received information that a woman namely Anju Devi(deceased) was under medical

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## BJP took advantage of 'weak' NC to abrogate Art 370: Omar

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: National Conference leader Omar Abdullah Tuesday said the BJP-led central government was able to abrogate Article 370 after his party was rendered weak after the 2014 elections with PDP founder Mufti Mohammad Syed declining his offer of unconditional support and stitching an alliance with those who do not have "good intentions" towards Jammu and Kashmir. Omar asked the people to support the National Conference and make it further strong to help "reverse the changes which were forced on the people of Jammu and Kashmir" on August 5, 2019 with the abrogation of the Article 370 and bifurcation of the erstwhile state into two union territories. In a reference to Lt Governor Manoj Sinha's statement that his administration is working for the



National Conference leader Omar Abdullah addressing a public meeting at Chatroo.

welfare of all the people of the union territory, and not just a select few, Omar said, "I do not see it happening. What we see is that this government is only for the benefit of BJP and a few leaders of some Kashmir-based parties." Addressing a public meeting at Chatroo in Inderwal constituency of Jammu and Kashmir and its people following the changes which were forced on us - the changes which were possible because the National Conference was weak. If we have not lost the (assembly)

seats in 2014 elections and formed the government, neither would they have removed Article 370 or Article 35A nor taken away land transferred to the people under Roshni Act or given jobs and contractors to outsiders," the former chief minister said. He said the BJP-led central government took advantage of the "weak position" of the NC and snatched what was given to the people of J&K by the Constitution. "I had foreseen such a situation and went to Mufti sahib to extend unconditional outside support for

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## Rs 270 crore bank loan case: Court grants bail to MD Aman Hospitality

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Special Judge Anti-corruption Srinagar grants bail to Raj Singh Gehlot, MD Aman Hospitality Private Limited in Rs 270 crore J&K Bank fraud loan case. While granting bail, Special Judge Anti-Corruption Srinagar, C L Bavoria observed that perusal of record revealed that FIR has been registered against the accused in 2019 and since then accused has not been arrested, however he has been called during investigation but he not co-operated with investigating agencies. Moreover, there is nothing in

the file from which it could be inferred that from date of registration of FIR till filing of Charge-sheet before this court, the accused tried to win over or influence the prosecution witnesses. "Having taken in regard the above stated facts and that the other accused persons in this case have already been granted bail, the applicant has been able to carve out a prima facie for grant of bail. Accordingly, allowing the prayer, the accused Raj Singh Gehlot is admitted to bail on furnishing bail bond of Rs. One lakh with one surety before the court

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## Azad embarks on Poonch-Rajouri tour after impressive rallies in Kashmir, Chenab Valley

Holding public meetings in Poonch, Surankote, Rajouri & Ramban on Dec, 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th respectively

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Veteran Congress leader, former Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha besides former Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir Ghulam Nabi Azad is set to address public rallies in the Pir Panchal region, comprising border districts of Rajouri and Poonch. The impressive and massive public participation in the rallies in the Valley besides Kishtwar, Doda and Ramban districts has galvanised the cadre across the Union Territory, which has prompted the managers of



Veteran Congress leader Ghulam Nabi Azad interacting with party workers in Nowshera on Tuesday.

the Congress to fix the rallies in Poonch and Rajouri in the renewed mass outreach programme of the party.

Political observers see the pro-active mass contact programme of Ghulam Nabi Azad as resurgence of the

loyalist camp of the Congress, which see a hope in the former Chief Minister to fill the leadership vacuum in the Union Territory. "The vision and political philosophy of Ghulam Nabi Azad will not only bail out the Union Territory from the ongoing political uncertainty but also be a source of enthusiasm in the dormant Congress rank and file", say those watching the J&K scenario closely. They are keenly observing the political moves of Azad, who is catching the imagination of people in

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## Why Sidhu, Cong quiet on Guru Granth Sahib sacrilege in Pakistan: Chugh

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
CHANDIGARH: BJP national general secretary Tarun Chugh today questioned the silence of Punjab Pradesh Congress Committee president Navjot Sidhu over the incident of sacrilege of Guru Granth Sahib in Pakistan. While condemning the incident which happened at Gurdwara Shri Guru Harkrishan Sahib in village Kot Meer Badan Khan Bajaran in Kashmirore district in Sindh, Chugh demanded the Pakistan government to take stringent action against the culprits. He said it was disgraceful and hurting the



religious sentiments of the Sikhs and the Hindus as the Guru Granth Sahib was not only disrespected while Rs 1.5 lakh PKR was also stolen from the donation box. Chugh said the minorities in Pakistan were not only unsafe and threatened

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CET for UG, PG courses in central unis may be held from 2022-2023 through NTA: UGC

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
NEW DELHI: The Common Entrance Test (CET) for undergraduate and postgraduate courses in central universities may be conducted from the academic session 2022-2023 through the National Testing Agency (NTA), according to the UGC. The University

## IPL 2022: J&K cricket stars Samad, Umran retained by SRH for 4 Cr each

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) have retained J&K cricket stars Abdul Samad and Umran Malik for a price money of 4 crore each ahead of the IPL 2022 mega auction, reports said on Tuesday. Earlier, pace sensation Malik had recently played for the SunRisers Hyderabad (SRH) in the Indian Premier League (IPL) 2021 and he also

ended up recording the fastest delivery of the season. Challengers Bangalore. After impressing one and all with his speed, Umran Malik was also chosen as Team India's net bowler for the T20 World Cup 2021. Jammu and Kashmir youngster Abdul Samad made his Indian Premier League (IPL) debut in year 2020 when the Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) locked horns with

Malik clocked 153 kph to bowl the fastest delivery of IPL 2021 against Royal



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Inquiry ordered against CEO 'for issuing transfer order of teacher on day of retirement'

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
KISHTWAR: District Administration Kishtwar on Tuesday ordered an inquiry against the Chief Education Officer 'for issuing transfer orders of teachers on the day of his retirement.'

Acting on the complaint of general public against Chief Education Officer Kishtwar regarding issuance of transfer order of teachers on the day of his retirement and subsequent directions

## Small Chinese drones carrying drugs frequently intrude into Jammu, Punjab: BSF DG

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
NEW DELHI: Small Chinese-made drones, carrying narcotics in 95 per cent cases, are flying over from across the border into Punjab and Jammu regions and these flights are a "cause of concern" for which technology solutions are being scouted actively, BSF director general (DG) Pankaj Kumar Singh said on Tuesday. Talking to reporters on the

## Peace along India-Pak border in Jammu due to robust domination, surveillance: BSF IG

JAMMU: The International Border (IB) with Pakistan in Jammu is witnessing peace due to the robust domination and surveillance by the Border Security Force (BSF), a top official said. This year, the border guarding force faced multiple challenges such as drone activities, tunnelling and smuggling attempts, the BSF official said. The BSF continuously carried out anti-tunnel drives along the IB. It was able to detect two tunnels in January 2021 and

sightings have been made in this year till now

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## J&K Admn sanctions ex-gratia of Rs 50,000 to NoKs of COVID victims

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir administration has sanctioned ex gratia payment of Rs 50,000 to the dependents of COVID-19 victims and directed all deputy commissioners to set up a robust yet simple mechanism for its disbursement. Jammu and Kashmir has recorded 4,476 Covid-related deaths -- 2,291 in Kashmir and 2,185 in Jammu -- since the pandemic began last year. In an order issued by the Department of Disaster Management, Relief, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction, Nazim Zia Khan, Secretary to Lieutenant Governor, said the implementation of the scheme would commence immediately and it will cover all residents who died due to COVID-19. Sanction is accorded to the adoption of the scheme for

## J&K adds 171 COVID-19 cases

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir's coronavirus case-load increased to 3,36,852 on Tuesday with 171 fresh infections, while the death toll remained unchanged at 4,476, officials said. Of the fresh cases, 32 were from the Jammu division and 139 from the Kashmir division of the union territory, they said. Srinagar district recorded the highest number of fresh cases at

granting claim to the next of kin of COVID-19 victims in pursuance of the guidelines issued by the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) in compliance with the Supreme Court order, Khan said. According to the order, the eligibility of a case under

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### Credit Card Scheme for Artisans and Weavers of Handicrafts and Handlooms Sector

**Quantum of Finance:**  
(Up to Maximum of Rs. 1.80 Lac.)

**Interest Subsidy:**  
7% (from Govt. of J&K)

**Repayment:**  
Maximum Period of up to 60 months.

**Selection of beneficiaries:**  
The selection of beneficiaries under the Credit card Scheme for Artisans & Weavers in the Handicrafts and Handloom Sector shall be made by a District-level selection committee headed by General Manager, District Industries Centre.

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Humidity

Max: 79 Min: 65

Temperature (Srinagar)

Max: 12.6°C Min: -1.5°C

Humidity

Max: 95 Min: 75

Sunset: 17:27 Hours  
Sunrise: 07:15 Hours