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Delimitation Commission proposes 6 more assembly seats for Jammu, 1 for Kashmir

NC says it won't be signatory to draft report

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: The Delimitation Commission on Jammu and Kashmir has proposed six additional assembly seats for Jammu region and one for Kashmir while reserving 16 constituencies for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, triggering strong protests from parties such as the National Conference which made it clear that it would

not sign the report in its present form.

Participating for the first time in the commission's deliberations, the NC's three Lok Sabha members led by party president and former chief minister Farooq Abdullah expressed their reservations over the draft report, especially the biased process of seat sharing, a party spokesperson tweeted. The party, within hours of

the meeting, made it clear that it "will not be a signatory to this report."

The PDP, and the People's Conference (PC), which is regarded as being friendly towards the BJP, also protested strongly against the commission's draft recommendations which will alter the electoral map of Jammu and Kashmir.

Kashmir division currently has 46 seats and Jammu 37.

The population of Jammu region is 53.72 lakh and Kashmir division 68.83 lakh, according to the census of 2011.

BJP MP and union minister Jitendra Singh, however, said after the meeting that there was no objection from any of the associate members and "in fact Dr Abdullah went on to say that there were some misgivings

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Two JeM associates held in Pulwama

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Security forces on Monday arrested two terrorist associates linked with proscribed terror outfit Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) from Pulwama district, police said.

The arrested persons were identified as Umer Ramzan and Javid Ahmad Malla, they said.

"Incriminating material including ammunition was recovered from their possession," a police spokesman said. During

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60 pc power supply restored in J&K, 100 pc to be achieved today: LG

'If some people think system to work as per their whims & fancies, it can't be allowed'

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Monday said 60 per cent electricity in the Union Territory (UT) was restored and by tomorrow administration will achieve 100 per cent restoration.

The UT has been facing a widespread power shutdown since Sunday owing to a deadlock between the Power



Development Department (PDD) employees and the administration over the lat-

ter's bid to privatise electricity in the region.

LG said talks were held with the striking employees and as of today no dues and salary are pending on part of the government.

"We restored 60 per cent electricity and by tomorrow we will achieve 100 restoration, Sinha said on the sidelines of a function here.

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Govt selling assets, resources of J&K: Azad



Senior Congress leader Ghulam Nabi Azad addressing a rally at Doda on Monday.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Senior Congress leader and former Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha, Ghulam Nabi Azad on Monday hit out at present Government for selling assets and resources of J&K to outsiders after abrogation of Article 370, which is not tolerable to the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

"People of Jammu & Kashmir were assured by the Centre Government after abrogation of Article 370

that their jobs and land will not be grabbed by outsiders but all claims of the Government proved out to be fake," said Azad, while addressing a public rally during his public outreach programme at Doda.

While addressing a massive gathering of people, Azad criticized BJP for arbitrarily revoking the special status of Jammu and Kashmir and downgrading the historic state into two

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Parliament passes NDPS (Amendment) Bill

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Parliament passed a bill to rectify errors that had crept into the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, with Rajya Sabha giving its nod to it on Monday.

The Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Amendment) Bill-2021 was passed by Lok Sabha on December 13.

Moving the bill in the Upper House for its consideration and passage, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said it replaces the ordinance which was promulgated in September this year as Parliament was not in session then.

Rajya Sabha passed the bill by a voice vote. Before the bill was passed, the Congress staged a walkout as Leader of the Opposition Mallikarjun Kharge

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NC Pro VP resigns, accuses 'leadership' of adopting 'communal overtones'

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Provincial Vice President National Conference Jammu Anil Dhar on Monday resigned over the party having 'lost interest in the cause of Kashmiri Pandits'.

"This was recently highlighted when the leadership said that late Jagmohan, the then Governor of J&K was responsible for exodus of Kashmiri Pandits from the valley in 1990", Anil Dhar said in his letter of resignation, released to the media and addressed to the party president Dr Farooq Abdullah.

Taking exception to such an accusation, Anil Dhar said

the observations of Dr Abdullah were contrary to the fact that 'it was Pakistan and its proxies which still continue to be responsible for the migration and exodus of Kashmiri Hindus from the Valley'.

Referring to various other statements and utterances from the leadership of the National Conference, Dhar said these do not instill any sense of confidence in the Kashmiri Hindu community, who have faced the worst kind of persecution, genocide and mayhem from the past more than thirty years and have lost their homes and hearths. "In fact of

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J&K sees 105 fresh COVID cases, one more death

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir on Monday recorded 105 fresh COVID-19 cases that took its tally to 3,39,932, while one more fatality pushed the death toll to 4,513, officials said.

Of the fresh cases, 27 were from the Jammu division and 78 from the Kashmir division of the union territory, they said. Srinagar district recorded the

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WEATHER

Temperature (Jammu)

Max: 16.8°C Min: 3.2°C

Humidity

Max : 93 Min : 64

Temperature (Srinagar)

Max: 8.0°C Min: -5.8°C

Humidity

Max : 89 Min: 55

Sunset : 17:30 Hours

Sunrise : 07:29 Hours

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“UT Administration has set a target of planting 1 crore 30 lakh saplings this year. It is our Collective Responsibility to build a resilient ecosystem to address challenges of climate change. Conservation & Protection of Trees is embedded in our culture & traditions, we must follow our ancient culture which propagates environmental protection & talks of living in harmony with nature”.

Manoj Sinha, HLG, JK UT

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DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL – JAMMU & DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL FORESTRY, J&K SHALL ORGANIZE ONE DAY TRAINING CUM INTERACTION SESSION WITH VPPCs
On 21st DECEMBER, 2021 (11:30 AM)
VENUE: - GOVT. GIRLS MODEL H.S. SCHOOL KANDOLI NAGROTA

Highlights of Programme

- ✓ Green March
- ✓ Plantation Drive
- ✓ Pledge for Environment
- ✓ Training cum Interaction Session with members of VPPCs & functionaries of Social Forestry Department. (SFD)
- ✓ Awards/Certificates of participation to participants.

Participants

- ✓ Village Panchayat Plantation Committees (VPPCs) members & staff of SFD
- ✓ Members of DDC/BDC
- ✓ School Children
- ✓ NGOs-Eco Club Members

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