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SC verdict on abrogation of Article 370 today



NEW DELHI: Was the decision taken by the Centre on August 5, 2019 to abrogate the provisions of Article 370 of the Constitution, which bestowed a special status on the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir, constitutionally valid?

The Supreme Court is scheduled to pronounce its

of petitions challenging the abrogation of the provisions of Article 370.

According to the cause list for December 11 (Monday), uploaded on the apex court's website, a five-judge Constitution bench headed by Chief Justice D Y Chandrachud would deliver the verdict.

The other members of the verdict on Monday on a batch bench are Justices Sanjay Kishan Kaul, Sanjiv Khanna, B R Gavai and Surva Kant.

The apex court reserved its verdict in the matter on September 5 after a 16-day hearing.

During the hearing, the top heard Attorney General R Venkataramani, Solicitor General Tushar Mehta. senior advocates Rakesh

Adequate arrangements made to ensure peace in Kashmir: IGP

SRINAGAR: Adequate security arrangements have been made to ensure a peaceful atmosphere in Kashmir as the Supreme Court is scheduled to pronounce its verdict on Monday on a bunch of petitions challenging the abrogation of the provisions of Article 370 of the Constitution by the Centre in August 2019, a senior police officer said on Sunday.

"We are duty-bound to ensure that peace prevails in the valley under all circumstances," Inspector General of Police (IGP), Kashmir Zone V K Birdi told PTI.

While the IGP refused to divulge specifics of the security set-up for Monday, he said "adequate arrangements" have

"We are taking all precautions and will ensure that peace is not disturbed in Kashmir," Birdi, who held security review meetings in most of the 10 valley ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

Dwivedi, V Giri and others on behalf of the Centre and the intervenors defending the abrogation of the provisions of Article 370.

Senior advocates, including Sibal. Gopal Kapil Rajeev Subramanium, Dhavan, Zaffar Shah and Dushyant Dave, had argued on behalf of the petitioners.

The lawyers had dwelt on

constitutional validity of the Centre's decision to abrogate the provisions of Article 370, the validity of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, which split the erstwhile state into two Union territories, challenges to the imposition of the governor's rule in Jammu and Kashmir on June 20, 2018 and the imposition of the president's

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Future belongs to India and our youth: LG



LG Manoj Sinha speaking during closing ceremony of State level Yuva Utsav India@2047 in Jammu on Sunday.

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Observing that future belongs to India and our youth, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Sunday exuded confidence that the young people will lead the world to build a prosperous society.

"Youth is the most powerful tool to shape the better future and usher in socioeconomic revolution," the Lt Governor said while addressing at the closing ceremony of State level Yuva Utsav:

India@2047, at Government MAM College

The two-day event was organised by Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports through Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan.

He said: "Youth power is the greatest asset of our country. They have courage to stand alone against all odds and challenges without any fear and always ready to provide new ideas and new initiatives for the betterment of the society.'

Sinha said the creativity, charisma and hard work of youth is the formidable force that is setting new agenda of development. The new ideas and conviction is stimulating various sectors and contributing to new discoveries and innovation, he added.

The Lt Governor emphasized the need to harness the vibrant energy of youth to achieve the constructive goals. Initiative, leadership, self-confidence,

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Modi to launch 'Viksit Bharat @2047: Voice of Youth' today

STATE TIMES NEWS NEW DELHI: Prime

Minister Narendra Modi will 'Viksit @2047: Voice of Youth" via video-conferencing Monday

During the programme, Modi will also address vicechancellors of universities. heads of institutes and faculty members in workshops organised at Raj Bhawans across the country, which will symbolise the start of the initiative, according to a statement issued by the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) on

The PMO said Modi's vision is to actively involve

country's present ecosystem: Vice President

STATE TIMES NEWS

DHANBAD (JHARKHAND): Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar on Sunday said that corruption has no place in the present ecosystem of the country.

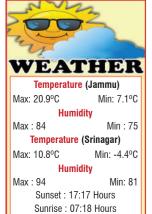
He said corruption is no longer a means to get favours in the country.

"It is very clear that there is no place for corruption in the country's ecosystem. It is no longer a means to get favours," Dhankhar said while addressing the 43rd convocation of IIT-Indian School of Mines in Dhanbad.

Hinting at the seizure of a large amount of cash, he said, "There is a limit to how long we can count. I am leaving homework for all students here, use your technological science and get a machine that can count any amount so that further action can be taken.

Dhankhar said the present time is 'Amrit Kaal' and "game-changing policies have given a new lease of life to those who had lost hope". "When you act on a

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Congress looted nation for decades: Chugh STATE TIMES NEWS tion from one generation to

CHANDIGARH: Terming

the I.N.D.I Alliance as arrogant, National General Secretary of Bharatiya Janata Party, Tarun Chugh on Sunday said that this alliance was like Pandora's family, which was bound to disintegrate. This alliance has no agenda

in the interest of the country the younger generation in and is only an alliance of a few egoistic dynasts to bring the formulation of national plans, priorities and goals for a weak government in the country to save some corrupt "In line with this vision, families, he said while inter-'Viksit Bharat @2047: Voice acting with media persons. of Youth' initiative will pro-Saying that the Congress

> looted the nation for decades, since independence, Chugh referred to the recovery of big



cash haul by the Income Tax Department from Congress MP Dhiraj Sahu's premises and observed that he achieves the distinction of being among most corrupt people so far. The Congress has been spreading corrup-

Chugh said that the leaders of some opposition parties in the country are dreaming like

another, he added.

Mungeri Lal Ke Haseen Sapne to become the Prime Minister. Their aim is only to bring a weak government in the country, so that they can use it for their own political gains. He said that 135 crore peo-

ple of the country love Prime Minister Narendra Modi immensely. The people of India have full faith in the strong and visionary leadership of Modji, who has hoisted the country's flag on the world stage, he said.

The senior BJP leader said

that under the leadership of Nrender Modi, every citizen of the country wants to be associated with the dream of a developed India. The Prime Minister has set the goal of making the country a developed India by 2047 and is determined to ensure the welfare of all four sections-the poor, women, youth and farmers, he maintained.

Taking dig at the INDI Alliance, Tarun Chugh said that this is actually an alliance formed out of compulsion. In Bengal, Mamata Banerjee, Congress and the Left parties are against each other, while these parties claim to be together

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Kashmir continues to reel under sub-zero temperatures minus 5.5 degrees Celsius.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS SRINAGAR: Kashmir con-

tinued to reel under extreme cold waves even as the mercury stayed several degrees below the freezing point across the valley last night, officials said on Sunday. The temperature recorded

on Saturday night in the summer capital of Jammu and Kashmir rose slightly from the previous night's minus 4.6 degrees Celsius and settled at minus 4.4 degrees Celsius, they said. Pahalgam in south Kashmir's Anantnag district, which serves as one of the base camps for the annual Amarnath Yatra, recorded a

slightly down from minus 5.0 degrees from the previous night, the officials said. The famous resort of Gulmarg in Baramulla dis-

trict recorded a low of minus

4.2 degrees Celsius, the same

as on Friday night, they said. Qazigund recorded a low of minus 3.0 degrees Celsius, Kokernag town minus 2.0 degrees Celsius and Kupwara

minus 3.4 degrees Celsius. The meteorological office said the weather would remain generally cloudy but mainly dry till December 16. It also predicted a dip in the night temperature by a few

CS takes on-spot appraisal of works on NH-44

Corruption has no place in Article 370: BJP says everyone should respect SC's decision

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SRINAGAR: With the Supreme Court to pronounce its verdict on Monday on the constitutional validity of the Centre's decision to abrogate controversial Article 370, several parties in Jammu and Kashmir expressed hope that the provision will be restored, while on the ground authorities have made "adequate" security arrangements.

The BJP said that there should not be any politics on the Supreme Court ruling and everyone should respect

National Conference leader

Omar Abdullah said his party will not disturb the peace in Jammu and Kashmir even in case of an adverse verdict from the Supreme Court on the petitions challenging the abrogation of Article 370 and will continue its fight in accor-

dance with the law. People's Democratic Party (PDP) President and former chief minister Mehbooba Mufti said the court's verdict should be clear.

The NC and PDP are part of the People's Alliance for Declaration Gupkar (PAGD), also called the Gupkar Alliance, which was

formed by parties in J-K to fight for the restoration of

Another former Jammu and Kashmir chief minister Ghulam Nabi expressed hope that the Supreme Court will deliver a verdict in favour of the peo-

apprehensions expressed by many parties about the aftermath, Union Home Minister Amit Shah had stressed that "not a drop of blood was shed" during the critical period.

Scrapping Article 370 was

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UDHAMPUR/RAMBAN Chief Secretary Atal Dulloo on Sunday took on-spot assessment of the road condition of Jammu-Srinagar National Highway besides visiting some prestigious project sites in twin districts of Udhampur and Ramban.

At Ramban, the Chief Secretary took stock of pace and progress on National Highway-44 and other critical infrastructure under implementation in the District.

Dulloo held an important meeting at Chandrkote, where senior officers includ-Divisional



Chief Secretary Atal Dulloo taking on-spot assessment of road condition of Jammu-Srinagar National Highway.

Jammu, Ramesh Kumar, DIG, DKR Range, Dr. Sunil Gupta, Commissioner. Deputy Baseer-Ul-Haq Chaudhary, SSP Ramban,

Mohita Sharma, Traffic, Rohit Baskotra other sectoral officers besides key project directors attended the meeting.

After the meeting, the

Chief Secretary physically inspected challenging spots on the National Highway, such as Dalwas and other spots in Ramban area.

Deputy Commissioner Ramban, Mr. Baseer-Ul-Haq Chaudhary provided detailed insights into the status of the National Highway, focusing on the $66~\mathrm{km}$ stretch between Nashri -Navyug tunnel. The Chief Secretary was apprised of completion dates for various tunnels and received updates on the cooperation extended by the district administration to NHAI. Deputy Commissioner

Ramban also highlighted

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INFO 'SHAURYA' AWARDS 2023, SEASON 1 celebrates Int'l Men's Day 2023

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Celebrating International Men's Day 2023 with the theme of Support Positive Masculinity. INFOBUG organized INFO 'SHAU-RYA' AWARDS 2023 and felicitated 18 men and boys from different walks of life.

Co-Founder of Maharaja Hari Singh Trust, Ritu Singh and Former Advisor to LG Farooq Khan were the main guests along with some special guests including Capt Surinder Singh, Dt.

Mitali Gupta and Sonali Dogra. While felicitating the men and boys, who have contributed to society in different ways, Ritu Singh and Farooq Khan said that this day aims to raise awareness about the high rates of male suicides, a topic often overlooked when discussing masculinity.

The day encourages society to be more sensitive to men's emotions and well-being. It also calls for breaking stereotypes and promoting men's men-



tal health and self-care, they observed The event was organized by Amar

Chouhan, Managing INFOBUG, the First Female and first

Director Infotainment social media portal and her team members

The men and boys felicitated on the occasion included Padma Shri ND Jamwal, Padma Shri Vishwamurti Shastri, Padma Shri Balwant Thakur, Vijay K Sambyal, Dr. Arun K Gupta (Posthumously), Raj Daluja, Col. Ranveer Singh Jamwal, Ajay Talla, Ashok Mahajan, Kulbhushan Khajuria, Dr. Ravinder Gupta, Vijay Atri, Anil Sharma, Vijay Manan, Gautam Bali, Tarun Sharma, Chandeep Singh and Onkar Singh

Batra. INFOBUG also paid tribute to Late Mushtaq Kak and Late Vijay Gupta.

The show was co-sponsored by Ambika Flour Mills, State Times, RV Medicos, MNM Designing Hub, IFIX Computers, Chenab News Update, Navdurga Tyres, Garland, Be Classy with Ruhi and Re Interia.

The show was anchored by Muskan Pandoh and Taniya Sharma. A vote of thanks was presentede by Arzoo