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Committee formed to dispel apprehensions over Vaishno Devi ropeway project: LG Sinha

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LG Manoj Sinha performing Hawan before dedicating newly constructed Durga Bhawan to devotees of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi.

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Lt Governor Manoj Sinha on Saturday said a committee has been formed to dispel apprehensions of Katra residents over the proposed ropeway project at the Vaishno Devi shrine.

Sinha, who is also the chairperson of the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board (SMVDSB), was speaking to reporters after dedicating the newly constructed Durga Bhawan having the capacity to accommodate 3,000 pilgrims per day near the sanctum sanctorum.

Responding to a question about the resentment among the residents of Katra over the proposed ropeway project, Sinha said his administration is open to suggestions and wants them onboard while executing the project which would help ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

4 from Bihar killed, 28 injured as bus overturns in Pulwama

Nitish, LG Sinha express grief over road mishap ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Four people hailing from Bihar were killed and 28 injured when their bus overturned in Jammu and Kashmir's Pulwama district on Saturday, officials said.

The incident took place on Srinagar-Jammu National Highway in the Barsoo area of the south Kashmir district, they

Four passengers, all residents of Bihar, were killed in the accident, the officials said, adding that 28

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SIA raids 8 places in J&K in connection with terror-funding case

Air surcharge 50 paisa for Leh

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: The State Investigation Agency (SIA) of the Jammu and Kashmir Police carried out raids at eight places on Saturday in a case related to collection of funds by Maulvi Sarjan Barkati, the face of "antinational" protests in 2016, and using the same for per-

sonal gains, officials said. The SIA, a subsidiary of the Crime Investigation Department (CID) of the Jammu and Kashmir Police, registered a case against Barkati earlier this year to probe the collection of funds as well as his "anti-national"

this kind of warmth and

Azad said that after leaving

Congress more and more

people are joining his new

"It gives me more responsi-

bilities and challenges to

meet the expectations of peo-

ple. People feel dejected and

disappointed with the pres-

ent governing system," he

Azad said that those politi-

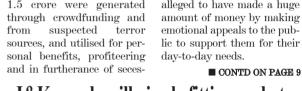
cians who have no vision

party and believe in him.

love " he said

According to the officials, it sionist-terrorist campaigns. is alleged that more than Rs Barkati and others are 1.5 crore were generated alleged to have made a huge day-to-day needs.

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J&K people will give befitting reply to politics of deceit, deception: Chugh

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: BJP National General Secretary Tarun Chug on Saturday said those having played politics of poll boycott earlier will have to face the people of Jammu and Kashmir and be prepared for imminent defeat due to their deception and double standards.

The opposition has already experienced defeat with the people ignoring their boycott calls and participating in the elections to Panchayats, BDCs and DDCs, he said.



Chugh said that the opposition had miserably failed in their earlier effort to obstruct and stall elections to Panchayats, BDC and

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Hours after arrested by CBI while accepting bribe; Head Constable dies during questioning

Hours after Bureau Investigation (CBI) arrested Mushtaq Ahmed, Head

STATE TIMES NEWS

Constable (Munshi), Women Police Station, Kathua in connection with demand of bribe of Rs. 3,000 from a complainant, he died during questioning in custody on

As per the details, FIR RC0042023A0005 was registered on March 18, 2023sections Prevention of Corruption

Act, 1988 (as amended in 2018), on the basis of complaint regarding demand of bribe by the accused. It was alleged that in the month of February, 2023, the accused Mushtaq Ahmed, Head Constable askedplainant's father to send him (complainant) to Police Station to meet the accused. After few days, when the complainant met the accused, he told him that another complaint has filed against the complainant for

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DPAP aims for inclusive, progressive J&K: Azad

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Chairman. Progressive Democratic Azad Party (DPAP) and former Chief Minister Ghulam Nabi Azad on Saturday said that his politics is based on inclusiveness, development and peace.

Speaking at the public meeting in Eidgah Srinagar, he said that unlike other parties who try to divide people for political gains, he aims to develop Jammu and Kashmir inclusively where every person irrespective of religion, caste and creed feels



Chairman, DPAP Ghulam Nabi Azad speaking at public meeting in Eidgah Srinagar on Saturday.

politically

"I had never thought that

after leaving Congress, the people of Jammu and Kashmir will receive me with

resort to communal and divi-■ CONTD ON PAGE 9



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Manoj Sinha

Lieutenant Governor, J&K

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