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Modi's guarantee, corrupt...

the Katchatheevu island to Sri Lanka in the mid-1970s. Modi slammed senior Congress leader Digvijaya Singh over his remarks on the Katchatheevu issue. "The Congress is shamelessly justifying anti-national misdeeds. Yesterday, a Congress leader asked, 'does anyone live there?'. If someone does not live then should it be given away? Then what will you call the desert? For them, a vacant part of the country is just a piece of land," he said. "Tomorrow, these Congressmen can give the vacant land of a border state like Rajasthan to any country," he said. "Not only the history of the Congress but its intentions are also dangerous," he added. Modi said the Congress raised the slogan of 'Garibi Hatao' for decades but it was he who worked to bring 25 crore people out of poverty. The Congress, which is steeped in nepotism and corruption, seeks profit in people's compulsions. It found opportunities to loot even in jobs for the youth and a paper leak industry flourished under the patronage of its government in Rajasthan, the PM said. Modi said every moment of his life is dedicated to the country. "Every moment in your name, every moment in the name of the country and that is why I say, 24x7 for 2047," he said. "Modi was not born to rest or have fun. Modi works hard because Modi has very big goals connected to the people of the country," he said. "How many generations have passed under the negligence of the Congress? Today, the son of the poor has been the 'pradhan sevak' for 10 years and the poor have got freedom from their problems," he said. The government launched the Millet Mission and the demand for this superfood is growing globally. The farmers of Rajasthan will also benefit from this, Modi said.

LeT terrorist killed...

(LeT) outfit in Baramulla district, police said. Three hand grenades were recovered from their possession. A police spokesperson said they received credible intelligence indicating that some unidentified terrorists affiliated with the banned LeT organisation were moving in Baramulla town with an intention to target security forces. The three identified as Owais Ahmad Waza, Basit Fayaz Kaloo, and Faheem Ahmad Mir were allegedly providing information about security force movements, the spokesman said. He said their intentions was to disturb peace in Baramulla in view of upcoming polls. A case under various sections of UA(P)Act has been registered against them.

Airlifting of polling...



via Sinthan and Margan top situated at an altitude of 12500 feet further poses transportation challenge to snow bound areas. Kishtwar district falls under 4-Udhampur Parliamentary constituency and elections are scheduled on 19th April (first phase) in the district. Chief Electoral Officer, Jammu and Kashmir has made special arrangements for the safe transportation of polling parties, election logistics and materials to 31 polling booths, including 19 in Marwah and 12 in Warwan. District Election Officer, Dr. Devansh Yadav highlighted the meticulous planning involved in ensuring the safety and security of polling parties, particularly in shadow zones and sensitive areas. He said that five intermediate strong rooms have been established for the secure storage of ballots, enhancing convenience and efficiency of electoral process. "Tomorrow 31 polling party members and reserves will be airlifted to far-flung polling stations situated in the interiors of Marwah and Warwan, reaffirming our commitment to ensure no voter is left behind, while conducting free and fair elections", he added.

Congress opposed to...

Kathua-Doda Lok Sabha constituency had been before 2014 represented by Congress candidates for several years and decades but they deliberately denied the genuine rights to these sections of society. Similarly, he said, was Prime Minister Narendra Modi who gave political reservation to Scheduled Tribes so that the people belonging to these sections of society can also now aspire to become MLAs and Ministers. Dr Jitendra recalled that the Congress Party has a long history of giving lip service to Scheduled Castes only to secure their votes, but on the ground, it has always worked against the interests of Scheduled Castes. So much so, he said, it is the Congress Party which was responsible for the defeat of Baba Sahab Ambedakar in the Lok Sabha election. Not only this, he said, Jawaharlal Nehru was also not in favour of making Baba Sahab Ambedakar a Minister in the interim government and it was only after the insistence of Mahatma Gandhi that Ambedakar got a berth in the Cabinet. It is a unique case, said Dr Singh, that for more than six decades after having moved over to India following partition of the subcontinent in 1947, the refugees coming from the West Pakistan were not given Citizenship rights by the Congress governments even though the same section of society produced two Prime Ministers namely Inder Kumar Gujral and Dr. Manmohan Singh who had chosen to settle in parts of India other than J&K. Dr Jitendra said, the first two terms of the Modi government have been consumed in correcting the fallacies of the past and filling up the gaps left by the Congress and allied governments. Whether it was development or for social justice, in both the cases, course correction was done and things were put back on the right track, he said. Elaborating further, Dr Singh said, the third term of Prime Minister Modi will be dedicated to consolidating gains of the earlier two terms and Udhampur-Kathua-Doda constituency will emerge as an important hub of North India. He expressed confidence that the weaker sections of the society neglected by the Congress governments will very soon be at par with their counterparts in other sections of society. Dr Jitendra said that in order to achieve the goal of 'Viksit Bharat' as envisaged and visualised by Prime Minister Modi, it is important that each and every Indian makes a contribution depending on his capabilities and potential regardless of whichever strata of society he belongs to. It is with this understanding and motivation that Prime Minister Modi has provided an equitable level playing field to weaker sections of the society so that they can all become a part of the growth story of India over the next 20 years, he said. Accompanying Dr Jitendra in today's election tour were former BJP President Arun Gupta, OBC President Sunil Prajapati, MLA B S Mankotia, MLA RS Pathania, DDC Amit Sharma, DDC Parikshit Singh, DDC Jatto Ram, DDC Babli Sharma, Mandal Presidents Dinakar Gupta, Mohinder Singh, PRIs, important leaders of BJP and others.

Ram temple result...

country was overwhelmed when the temple was inaugurated (in January 2024)," Bhagwat said in his speech. "Tapasya (penance/struggle) and 'samarpan' (dedication and sacrifices) of many people led to this," the Sangh chief added. He also said that India's stature has risen globally in the last few years, and its legacy and culture are getting acceptance. Time has come to bring about good changes in every person's life, he added. Bhagwat also remarked that those who experience happiness when "achehe din" come about need not have seen the hard work that has gone into it. "Lot of hard work has gone into the country's progress and development. Selfless people work hard without thinking about results. They want results even though they would not come in their lifetime," Bhagwat added. "Some people worked for the country with dedication. Hence, we can stand as a rising country in the world today. Some people (in today's India) have seen them (those who worked for the country selflessly), some have not. 57 percent of people in the country belong to the new generation. They don't know about Emergency, they do not even know about Partition and freedom struggle," Bhagwat added. Doing hard work without yearning for results is 'tapasya', and it brings lasting prosperity and happiness, he said.

Security stepped up...

drones, in the district. "Prime Minister Narendra Modi is visiting Udhampur to address a public meeting tomorrow and various necessary arrangements are being undertaken by the administration as per the SoP for the safe and secure conduct of the rally," Rai said in the order. "In view of the emerging security threats due to the recent trends of using drones as improvised explosive devices (IEDs) by the anti-national elements, it is imperative to strengthen security measures to maintain law and order," she added. The district magistrate said the Udhampur senior superintendent of police shall ensure the implementation of this order to prohibit the flying of any kind of aviation devices. Senior Superintendent of Police, Security, Shamsheer Hussain, also issued an advisory for people to arrive on time for smooth entry before the start of the programme before 10 am. This is Prime Minister Modi's third visit to Jammu and Kashmir in over one and a half months. He addressed big rallies while inaugurating several development projects on February 20 and March 7 in Jammu and Srinagar cities. Four years after its revocation, Article 370 has taken center stage in the poll campaign in Jammu and Kashmir, more so in the Udhampur Lok Sabha constituency where Union Minister Jitendra Singh is seeking re-election for the third time. The seat is seeing a triangular fight with the Congress fielding Choudhary Lal Singh and the Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP) pitting three-time ex-MLA G M Saroori against the senior BJP leader. Polling in the Udhampur Lok Sabha constituency will be held in the first of the seven-phase Lok Sabha elections on April 19. Jitendra Singh had retained the Udhampur Lok Sabha seat in 2019, defeating Congress candidate Vikramaditya Singh, the grandson of erstwhile Maharaja Hari Singh, by a margin of 3,53,272 votes. Lal Singh only got 19,049 votes. In 2014, he had defeated former Union minister Ghulam Nabi Azad by a margin of 60,976 votes.

Family-oriented parties...

to make her nephew CM (of Bengal) and of (Congress leader) Sonia Gandhi to make Rahul Baba Prime Minister," Shah remarked. The Congress ruled the country for 70 years on the basis of casteism, dynastic politics, and corruption but Modi in the last ten years has worked to wipe them out from the country, he claimed. If the INDIA bloc wins, OBCs will be the biggest losers since the Congress is an anti-OBC party and it had suppressed the Kakasaheb Karlekar and Mandal Commission reports, he claimed. In the Modi government, there are 27 OBC ministers and 37 percent MPs are from the OBC segment, Shah said, adding the NDA government had given 27 per cent quota to OBCs. Recalling the UPA regime (2004-14), the Union Home Minister said during those ten years, the country frequently faced terror strikes and bomb blasts, but the Congress, which headed that government, didn't do anything to stop them. After 2014, when the BJP came to power at the Centre under Modi's leadership, within ten days of the Pulwama attack, the country conducted surgical and air strikes inside Pakistan to eliminate terrorists. The Modi government abrogated Article 370 and integrated Kashmir with India forever, Shah said, adding the Centre had effectively curbed terrorism and Naxalism. Shah also slammed Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge for asking what the rest of India has to do with Kashmir and said the latter doesn't know that every inch of the country is owned by its people. The Congress kept the Ram Temple issue hanging for decades whereas Modi laid its foundation and also took part in the idol consecration on January 22, which the Congress boycotted, Shah said.

"On April 17, we will see the first Ram Navami in 500 years when the deity will be in his abode and not a tent," Shah said. He said, in the last 10 years, the Indian economy has jumped from the 11th place to the 5th in terms of size, and asked voters to give another term to PM Modi so that the country occupies the third largest slot. Shah listed welfare schemes launched by the Modi government like Ujjwala (providing LPG connections to women from poor households), Ayushman (free treatment for up to Rs 5 lakh), free ration to crores of people and Kisan Samman Nidhi (financial aid to farmers), among others. Toilets were constructed in 80 lakh households to give respect to women and 88 lakh sisters and mothers were provided LPG cylinders to ensure a smoke-free kitchen environment, he said. The Modi government is providing 5kg free ration per person every month to 70 to 80 crore people in the country much to the surprise of the world, the Union minister noted. Modi earned praise across the world for the success of the Chandrayaan Mission, and he had named the lunar touch down point as Shiv Shakti, Shah added. Slamming senior Congress leader Kamal Nath, Shah said the Congress gave MP Rs 1.99 lakh crore for the state's development in 10 years, while the Modi government had given Rs 7.74 lakh crore. Earlier in the day, Shah addressed an election rally in Mandla in support of BJP candidate and Union minister Fagga Singh Kulaste. Shah said 25 crore people were taken out of poverty by the Modi government in 10 years, while in Madhya Pradesh alone, 95 lakh farmers were given the Kisan Samman Nidhi assistance (of Rs 6,000 per year), 70 lakh women got tap water connection in their houses and more than four crore people got the benefit of the Ayushman Bharat scheme. He said the Congress did nothing for the tribal community in its long rule, while the Modi government ensured the country got a tribal woman President in Droupadi Murmu.

Profuse misuse of...

or their lawyers to the proceedings to post comments or messages on social media distorting the facts or not disclosing correct facts of the proceedings. "The matter is required to be taken up more seriously when any such attempt is sought to be made by the party to the proceedings," the bench said while issuing contempt notice to the MLA and directing the presence of the MLA from All India United Democratic Front (AIUDF) in the court. The apex court listed the matter next after four weeks and asked the registry to place the matter before the CJI for appropriate orders on the administrative side for listing the case before the appropriate bench. The SC initiated contempt proceedings against Barbhuiya for his Facebook post on March 20 in which he had falsely claimed a favourable ruling from the court in an election petition while the court had on that day only reserved its judgment in the matter. Later on April 8, the apex court allowed Barbhuiya's plea and quashed the election petition filed against him.

RO Udhampur PC...

to ensure inclusion of all eligible voters in electoral process, these categories of voters have been provided with the option to exercise their franchise through postal ballot. This initiative aims to accommodate the specific needs and circumstances of indi-

viduals who may face difficulties in physically visiting polling stations on Election Day.

Under the supervision of respective Assistant Returning Officers (AROs), polling teams will conduct two home visits on 14th and 15th April in the respective assembly segments. These visits will allow identified electors to cast their votes from the comfort of their homes, thereby upholding their right to vote while prioritizing their safety and convenience. Returning Officer Udhampur PC, Dr. Rakesh Minhas, emphasized that the polling teams will coordinate in advance with the identified electors to determine the most suitable time for their visits. This proactive approach ensures that the secrecy of the vote is maintained at all stages, in strict adherence to the guidelines provided by the Election Commission of India (ECI). The provision is in line with ECI guidelines to facilitate voting through postal ballot for absentee voters. The electoral authorities aim to uphold the principles of democracy and ensure that every eligible citizen can participate in the electoral process without barriers. This initiative reaffirms the commitment of the election administration to promote inclusivity and accessibility in the electoral process.

ECI brings ease...

S.No.	Name of Zone/Camp	Adjacent areas of the Zone/Camp	Name of Polling Station and its adjacent areas (Jammu)
1.	Nanak Nagar	Shastri Nagar, Rani Talab, Sanjay Nagar, Last Morh Gandhi Nagar, Digiana, Nai Basti, Preet Nagar, Shivaji Chowk, Gandhi Nagar, Bahu Plaza, Trikuta Nagar	Women College Gandhi Nagar Jammu
2.	Zone Digiana	Brij Nagar, Krishna Nagar, Chatha, Miran Sahib, Airport area	Govt. High School Miran Sahib (Sagoun)
3.	Zone Bhagwati Nagar	Bhagwati Nagar, Gole Gujral, Bell Charana, Canal Road, Jewel Chowk, Krishna Nagar, Mazdoor Basti.	Indian Institute of Management College Canal Road
4.	Zone DC-A	Ustad Mohalla, Gujjar Nagar, DC-Office area, Fatu Jukan, Rajinder Bazar Raghunath Bazar, Parade, Residency Road, Indra Chowk, Jain Bazar, Old city Jammu	Directorate School Education Muthi, Jammu
5.	Zone/Camp Muthi	Laxmi Nagar, Muthi Talab, Upper Roop Nagar, AapShambo Upper Roop Nagar, Muthi Camp, TRT Buta Nagar, Buta Nagar, Neel Sheel Vihar	Govt. Mixed Higher Secondary School, Muthi, Jammu
6.	Zone DC-B	Janipur Colony, Pamposh Colony, Gujjar Basti Janipur, Bhawani Nagar, Naseeb Nagar,	Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Janipur Jammu
7.	Camp TRT Purkhoo	Camp Purkhoo, PurkhooGompul, Domana, Mishriwalla, Kana-chak, Jhiri, Nardhani Raipur, KotBhalwal	Migrant School Purkhoo, Jammu
8.	Talab Tillo	Bhagwati Nagar, Bharat Nagar, Gole Gujral, Poonch House, Kabir Colony, Ajit Colony, Amar Colony, Bank Colony, Sunder Nagar, Nitco Lane	Agriculture Complex Talab Tillo Jammu
9.	Camp Nagrota	Camp Nagrota, Toll Post, Doke Wazira, Sainik School, Kamini Market	Migrant School, Nagrota, Jammu
10.	Camp Jagti-A	Camp Jagti, Dhammi, Panj Garain	Government Higher Secondary School, (Migrants) Jagti-A Jammu
11.	Camp Jagti-B	Camp Jagti, Dhammi, Panj Garain	Government Higher Secondary School, (Migrants) Jagti-B, Jammu
12.	Camp Jagti-C	Camp Jagti, Dhammi, Panj Garain	1. Govt Middle School (Migrants), Jagti 2. Community Hall Jagti.
13.	Zone Sarwal	Toph Sherkhania, Paloura, Patoli, Paloura Top, Indra Vihar	J&K Board of School Education, Rehari, Jammu (A)
14.	Zone JKBOSE	Rehari Colony, Subash Nagar, Shakti Nagar, Rajpura, Shiv Nagar,	J&K Board of School Education, Rehari, Jammu (B)
15.	Zone Mini-Stadium	KachiChawni, Dogra Hall, Exchange Road, CPO Chowk, Shakuntala area, Bakshi Nagar,	J&K Board of School Education, Rehari, Jammu (B)
16.	Zone Talli Morh	Durga Nagar Sector-1 and 2, Chinore Bantalab, Ganga Nagar, Sukhi Naheer, Raipur, Swarn Vihar, Police Colony, Dream City	Govt. Girls Middle School Check ChangerwanChinore Chowk, Jammu
17.	Zone Ghomanasa	Udheywalia, Saari, Vishwa Bharti Colony, Akalpur, Sangrampora, Santra Morh, Barnal, Panchayat Ghar Dharmal, Dina Nagar, Saraswati Vihar Barnal, Patoli, Gurha Keran, Anuradha Puram, Nather Kothian, Geeta Colony, Khajuria Mohalla, Sharda Colony, Nagbani	Govt. Boys Higher Sec School Ponichak Anuradha Higher Secondary School Barnal Jammu
18.	Zone Bari-Brahmana	Kunjwani, Model Town, Kailash Resort,	Govt. Girls Primary School Gangyal
19.	Zone Bakshi Nagar-B	Anand Nagar, Saraswati Vihar, Hazuri Bagh, Ram Krishen Vihar, Ganesh Vihar, Kailash Vihar, Manorama Vihar, Colonel Colony	Agriculture University Complex, Udheywalia, Jammu
20.	Zone Channi Himmat	Channi Himmat Colony, Narwal, Sabzi Mandi, Narwal Bye-pass, Transport Nagar, Police Colony Channi Himmat, Bathindi, Chowadi, Sidhra Colony, Rajeev Nagar, Qasim Nagar	Govt. Higher Sec. School Channi
21.	Zone Udhampur	Udhampur and adjoining areas	Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School, Udhampur

order to ensure no elector who opt for postal ballot by filling Form 12 C gets voting opportunity at these Special Polling Stations located at Jammu, Udhampur or Delhi, the ARO (Migrants) Jammu who is nodal officer for Postal Ballot under the scheme, shall ensure that in case form 12 C is received from any of the electors and postal ballot has been dispatched, marking of 'PB' shall be made against the name of the said elector in the corresponding Electoral Roll Extracts.

India ranks number 10 in cybercrime, study finds

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NEW DELHI: India ranked number 10 in cybercrime, with frauds involving people to make advance fee payment being the most common type, according to a new research that surveyed cybercrime experts around the world. An international team of researchers has compiled the 'World Cybercrime Index' that ranks roughly 100 countries and identifies key hotspots according to various categories of cybercrime, including ransomware, credit card theft and scams. Russia topped the list, and was followed by Ukraine, China, the US, Nigeria and Romania. North Korea was at the seventh position, while the UK and Brazil were at the eighth and ninth positions, respectively, according to the research published in the journal PLoS ONE. Through the survey, the researchers asked the experts to consider major types of crime in the virtual world and nominate countries that they thought contributed significantly to each of them. The major categories that the researchers identified were - technical products and services such as malware and compromising systems; attacks and extortion including ransomware; data and identity theft including hacking, compromising accounts and credit cards; scams such as advance fee fraud; and cashing out or money laundering involving illegitimate virtual currency. Invites to respond to the survey were sent out from March to October 2021. The team received 92 complete survey responses. The top six countries appeared among the top ten countries under each cybercrime category, the researchers found. They further found that countries that are cybercrime hubs "specialise" in particular categories. "Russia and Ukraine are highly technical cybercrime hubs, whereas Nigerian cybercriminals are engaged in less technical forms of cybercrime," the authors wrote in the study. Among the top ranking countries, while some may "specialise" in cybercrime types with middling technical complexity - such as those involved in data and identity theft - others may "specialise" in both high-tech and low-tech crimes, they said.