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NINTH NAVRATRA

Maa Sidhidhatri

Ninth incarnation of Maa Durga, Maa 'Sidhidhatri' can bless one with all the 'Sidhis'. According to Puranas even Bhagwan Shiv got Sidhis by virtue of Maa Sidhidhatri and his body was converted into 'Artha Narishwar'. The ride of Maa is Lion and she is on lotus. Her four hands have Chakra, Gadha, Shankha and Lotus.

By her blessings one gets heaven after enjoying all pleasures of life. Mantra to be recited nine times is :-

"Om Aing Hreeng Kleeng Chamunday Vichai Bhagwati Sidhidhatri Mum Sarvam Sarv Sidhim Parikalapay Parikalapay Swaha"

ॐ ऐं ह्रीं क्लीं चामुण्डायै विद्महे भगवती सिद्धिदात्री मम सर्वम् सर्वं सिद्धिं परिकल्पये परिकल्पये स्वाहा

Home Minister Amit Shah on 3-day J&K visit from today

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
NEW DELHI: Union Home Minister Amit Shah will be on a three-day visit to Jammu and Kashmir from Sunday, during which he will tour a forward post along the India-Pakistan border and review the security situation and development initiatives in the Union Territory.

Officials said Shah will reach Jammu on Sunday evening and attend a meeting of BJP MLAs and office bearers.

The next day, he will visit the BSF Border Out Post Vinay in Kathua and assess the ground situation there.

Later in the day, he will meet the family members of the martyrs of the Jammu and Kashmir Police at Raj Bhavan in Jammu and also present appointment letters to some of them selected on compassionate grounds.

On April 8, Shah will first take stock of various



Security measures ahead of Shah's visit

SRINAGAR: Inspector General of Police (IGP) of Kashmir Zone V K Birdi reviewed the security measures in the Valley on Saturday ahead of Union Home Minister Amit Shah's visit.

Ahead of the Union home minister's visit, Birdi chaired a joint security meeting here that was attended by senior officials from various security forces and intelligence agencies.

The purpose of the meeting was to assess and enhance security measures for Shah's visit, a police spokesperson said.

The IGP-Kashmir underlined the need for heightened alertness to counter potential terrorist threats. He stressed the importance of improving intelligence gathering, reinforcing security at vulnerable locations,

Pak intruder shot dead along IB

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: A Pakistani infiltrator was shot dead by BSF troops along the International Border (IB) here, officials said on Saturday, as authorities ensured his proper Islamic burial after the Pakistan Rangers refused to accept his body at a flag meeting.

The unidentified Pakistani man, aged around 35 years, was killed when the Border Security Force (BSF) personnel opened fire after noticing suspicious movements near a border outpost in the Abdullah area in the R S Pura sector late

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Glimpses of grand Shobha Yatra taken out on eve of Ram Navami festival from historic Shri Raghunathji Temple in Jammu on Saturday.

LG, CM greet people on Ram Navami; Shobha Yatra taken out in Jammu

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha and Chief Minister Omar Abdullah have greeted people on Ram Navami.

"On the auspicious occasion of Ram Navami, I extend my greetings and good wishes to all," Sinha said in his message.

"Maryada Purushottam Shri Ram is the embodiment of righteousness, justice, compassion, sacrifice and humility. May the festive occasion inspire us to follow his ideals and life values," he added.

The Lieutenant Governor prayed to Lord Ram to shower his blessings on one and all for years to come.

In his message, Chief Minister Omar

Abdullah said that Shri Ram was an embodiment of righteousness, good conduct and virtue.

"As an ideal king and ruler, Shri Ram has continued to rule the hearts of people through the ages, symbolizing humility, justice and high moral values," he said.

Highlighting the timeless relevance of Shri Ram's life and teachings, the Chief Minister said that his example inspires us to follow the path of righteousness and selfless service.

"Ram Navami is not only a religious festival but also an opportunity to renew our collective resolve to serve humanity with dedication and commitment," he added.

The Chief Minister prayed for peace, prosperity, and happiness for all the people of Jammu and Kashmir and extended his best wishes to all those celebrating this sacred occasion.

Meanwhile, a grand "Shobha Yatra" was taken out by J&K Dharmarth Trust on the eve of the Ram Navami festival from the historic Shri Raghunathji Temple here.

Thousands of devotees, including prominent citizens, politicians and heads of various social and religious organizations, participated in the grand Shobha Yatra, which was conducted in collaboration with Sanatan Dharam Sabha and Dharnik Yuvak Mandal, a spokesperson

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CJ inaugurates new Court building at Distt Court Complex Kathua

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
KATHUA: Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, Tashi Rabstan, on Saturday inaugurated the newly constructed Court Building at the District Court Complex, Kathua.

Justice Sanjeev Kumar, Judge, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh and Justice Rajnesh Oswal, Administrative Judge for District Kathua were present on the occasion.

Principal Secretary to Chief Justice, M.K. Sharma, Registrar Vigilance, Rajeev Gupta and the Judicial Officers posted at District Headquarters, Kathua, were also present on the occasion.



CJ Tashi Rabstan inaugurating new Court Building at District Court Complex, Kathua on Saturday.

The Chief Justice emphasized the importance of well equipped court infrastructure in ensuring effective judicial functioning and enhancing access to justice. He stressed the timely completion of other ongoing

infrastructure projects in Kathua, observing that these would significantly benefit all the stakeholders and facilitate smooth and speedy dispensation of justice.

Justice Sanjeev Kumar, who was also former

Administrative Judge of District Kathua, reiterated that improvement of judicial infrastructure, particularly in District Kathua, has always remained a priority for him.

Justice Rajnesh Oswal also expressed satisfaction with the inauguration of the new Court Building. He commended the tireless efforts and initiative of the Chief Justice in materialising this important project.

In his address, Principal District and Sessions Judge, Kathua, Jatinder Singh Jamwal, welcomed the Chief Justice, Justice Sanjeev Kumar, Administrative Judge and other dignitaries,

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J&K Govt launches months-long IEC campaign to combat drug abuse



CS Atal Dulloo launching campaign in Jammu.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir government on Saturday launched a massive five-month-long campaign to combat drug abuse in the

Union Territory, a spokesperson said.

The Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaign is set to include 6,776

planned events, for which a pool of 5,923 trained resource persons from various departments have been developed through 51 training sessions.

Chief Secretary Atal Dulloo kicked off the campaign under the Nasha Mukta Jammu Kashmir Abhiyan, reaffirming the government's resolve to combat the drugs menace through sustained awareness, rehabilitation and coordination at all administrative levels.

"The Nasha Mukta Jammu Kashmir Abhiyan is not just a campaign, it is a mission

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PM to open India's first vertical lift sea bridge in Rameswaram today

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**
CHENNAI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate India's first vertical lift sea bridge in Rameswaram and would also dedicate other projects on April 6. On the eve of the official event, the Indian Railways came out with a promotional video of the picturesque new Pamban Bridge.

The Railway Ministry said, "Bridging the past, lifting the new, Pamban stands tall with a breathtaking view. This Ram Navami, witness India's First Vertical Lift Railway Sea Bridge - unveiling in one day!"

The coastal town has come under security cover ahead of



the inauguration of the Rs 550 crore bridge.

Around noon (April 6), the prime minister would inaugurate the new Pamban Rail Bridge and flag off Rameswaram-Tambaram (Chennai) new train service, and a Coast Guard Ship will be flagged off as the Vertical

Lift Span rises up to make way, and witness the operation of the bridge.

Modi is expected to visit the renowned Ramanathaswamy temple at Rameswaram at around 12.45 pm for darshan and puja and later lay the foundation stone

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Humidity
Max : 56 Min : 26

Temperature (Srinagar)
Max: 22.4°C Min: 3.8°C

Humidity
Max : 50 Min: 24

Sunset : 18:53 Hours
Sunrise : 06:14 Hours

