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## Article 370 abrogation showing result in J&K's poll percentage: Amit Shah

First time over 40 pc of displaced KPs cast their votes

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
NEW DELHI: The Narendra Modi government's decision to abrogate Article 370 is showing results in the poll percentage in Jammu and Kashmir and has enhanced people's trust in democracy, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said on Tuesday.  
The home minister's remarks came a day after about 38 per cent polling was recorded in the Srinagar Lok Sabha constituency where polling was held in the 4th phase of the general elections.  
Srinagar recorded 14.43 per cent polling in the 2019 Lok Sabha polls, 25.86 per cent in 2014, 25.55 per cent in 2009 and 18.57 per cent in 2004.  
"The Modi government's decision to abrogate Article 370 is showing results in the poll percentage as well. It has



enhanced people's trust in democracy and its roots have deepened in Jammu and Kashmir," he wrote on 'X'.  
Shah said that through the rise in the poll percentage, the people of Jammu and Kashmir have given a befitting reply to those who opposed the abrogation of Article 370 provisions and are still advocating its restoration.  
The Modi government abrogated Article 370, which gave special status to

"greatest testament to the rightness of the decision" to removing Article 370.  
Shah also explained the BJP's decision to not field a candidate in the three Valley seats of Srinagar, Baramulla and Anantnag-Rajouri. "There was an apapachar (propaganda) against us that the Centre was doing development work in the J&K Valley to enforce rajnaitik prabhutva (political sovereignty) of the BJP there. After much serious thought, we decided that we will first build up our organisation on the ground and then give a candidate to fight polls," he said.  
"And let me tell you, for the first time, more than 40 per cent of displaced Kashmiri Pandits have cast their votes when in the past this figure was in single digits," the Home Minister added.

## Vikas posted as DIG ACB, two SPs, five DySPs transferred

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: The government on Tuesday transferred an IPS officer besides two Superintendents of Police (SPs) and five Deputy Superintendents of Police (DySPs) and posted in the Anti Corruption Bureau (ACB).  
According to the order issued by Sanjeev Verma, Commissioner/Secretary, General Administration Department, Vikas Gupta, IPS, Deputy Inspector General (DIG) of Police Prisons, has been transferred and posted as Deputy Inspector General of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, J&K.  
As per another order, SP Amit Verma, JKPS, Dy. CO Border Bn. Jammu and SP Surinder Kumar, JKPS, Dy. CO IR 24th Bn have been transferred and posted in the ACB.  
"Five Deputy Superintendents of Police are transferred and posted in the Anti Corruption Bureau with immediate effect,"

## Zero tolerance against drugs to make J&K drug-free: LG

Reviews functioning of Home Deptt

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SRINAGAR: Asserting that a policy of zero tolerance has been adopted against drugs to make a drug-free Jammu and Kashmir, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Tuesday urged Police, Civil Administration and people to work together to eliminate this menace.  
The Lieutenant Governor stated this while chairing a high-level meeting to review the functioning of Home Department.  
The meeting also deliberated on the operationalization of drug de-addiction centres and measures to tackle the drug menace.  
The meeting was attended by Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to Lt Governor; Atal Dooloo, Chief Secretary; RR Swain, DGP J&K, Chandraker Bharti, Principal Secretary, Home Department, Dr Mandeep Kumar Bhandari, Principal



Secretary to Lt Governor and allied organisations. He also discussed measures taken by the department for implementation of new Criminal laws, which will come into effect from 1st July, 2024. He also instructed the Department for proper training of police personnel on new criminal laws.  
The Lt Governor emphasised on efficient prison management and also took stock of the progress of projects under PMDP.  
The Lt Governor discussed issues related to strengthen-

## People trust Modi's 'Vishwas, Vikas' in Valley: Chugh

'End of Mufti, Abdullah rule in J&K marks era of peace, progress'



**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SRINAGAR: Tarun Chugh, National General Secretary of Bharatiya Janata Party & Incharge Jammu and Kashmir on Tuesday

applauded the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi for fostering a peaceful atmosphere in Jammu and Kashmir since the

## Devotees to experience better tracks enroute Amarnath cave shrine: DG BRO

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
RAJOURI: Director General of Border Roads Organisation (BRO) Lt Gen Raghu Srinivasan on Tuesday said the pilgrims planning to visit Amarnath cave shrine would experience "improved tracks" this year.  
The 52-day pilgrimage to the 3,880-metre-high cave shrine in south Kashmir will commence from the twin tracks -- traditional 48-km Nunwan-Pahalgam route in Anantnag district and 14-km shorter but steep Baltal route in Ganderbal district -- on June 29.  
"I am back from the Baltal

## BRO BREAKS THROUGH 2.79-KM SUNGAL TUNNEL



**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
RAJOURI: The Border Roads Organisation (BRO) on Tuesday achieved a significant milestone by breaking through the 2.79-km Sungal tunnel along the Jammu-Poonch national highway. BRO chief Lt Gen Raghu

(base camp). Last year, we were assigned with the task of widening the track which was important for the safety of the devotees. We have completed the widening work and also covered the surface with blocks and attended curves and slopes," the DG BRO told reporters on the sidelines of a tunnel breakthrough function in Rajouri.  
He said the BRO has also completed the most important work of laying roadside railing and sidewalls at vulnerable locations especially in the areas prone to shooting stones from the

## Reject division; vote for development, progress: Azad



**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SRINAGAR: Chairman, Democratic Progressive Party (DPP), Ghulam Nabi Azad on Tuesday asserted that his party remains resolute against the divisive tactics employed by regional parties and condemned their attempts to fragment

## Two Pakistani intruders arrested near LoC

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: A Pakistani intruder was arrested from a village near the Line of Control (LoC) here, officials said on Tuesday.  
Separately, a massive search operation was launched near the International Border (IB) in Kathua district following suspicious movement of at least five persons, believed to be terrorists, the officials said.  
They said a Pakistani intruder, who identified himself as Zahir Khan, a

## Greater Kailash Murder Case: Absconding history sheeter Raghu arrested, two luxury cars seized

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Continuing investigations into the murder of a 39-year-old man over land dispute, the Special Investigation Team (SIT) on Tuesday arrested absconding history-sheeter Raghunandan alias Raghu, resident of Channi Himmat.  
The accused was on the run and evading arrest after the murder of Avtar Singh son of Balbir Singh at Greater Kailash on April 30, 2024. FIR 39/2024 was registered at Police Station Gangyal  
Jammu Police has also seized two vehicles belonging to Raghunandan, which were



used during the crime. The total value of luxury vehicles seized is estimated to be more than Rs 1.5 crores, police said.  
"Jammu Police is resolute in conducting swift, fair and complete investigation into the case," said Jammu SSP

## Ram Rajya will begin in country now: Rajnath

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
LUCKNOW: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Tuesday said he felt that Ram Rajya will begin in the country now that the temple in Ayodhya has come up, but stressed that this does not mean a theocratic state.  
Addressing an intellectuals meet in his parliamentary constituency, he said Ram Rajya does not mean a theocratic state, but developing a sense of responsibility and duty among people.  
"We had said that Ram is the centre of our faith. If we get a majority, grand Ram Mandir will be built

## 150 Kanals govt land retrieved; hotspot of drug trafficking busted

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SAMBA: Several policemen were injured in clashes with anti-social elements as authorities retrieved more than 120 kanals of prime land in a major anti-encroachment drive near Balol Nullah falling under the jurisdiction of Bari Brahmana Police Station.  
Samba SSP Vinay Sharma said the joint drive by the police and the civil administration was launched near Balol Nullah on late Monday evening to retrieve the encroached land and also to bust the hotspot of illegal drug trafficking.  
Officials said at least 40 mud-houses belonging to the Gujjar community were demolished during the drive, which witnessed violent clashes between the alleged encroachers and law enforcement agencies.



## Terror Case: SIA raids 3 south Kashmir districts

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SRINAGAR: The State Investigation Agency on Tuesday carried out raids at multiple locations in three South Kashmir districts in connection with the probe into the terror killing of a man from Bihar in Anantnag district, officials said here.

## Cong plotting to send Ram Lala to tent again: PM

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
GIRIDIH (JHARKHAND): Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday attacked the Congress, accusing it of indulging in "shameful" politics and plotting to send "Ram Lala to tent" again.  
Alleging that the JMM, Congress and INDIA bloc have become the biggest model of corruption, appeasement and dynastic politics, Modi said he has resolved to free India from these vices.  
Addressing a public meeting at Jharkhand's Giridih, the prime minister said, "Shameful statements are being issued by Congress leaders over Ram temple. Their leaders are plotting to send Ram Lala to the tent once again, and talk against the Supreme Court judgement."

## Modi files nomination from Varanasi

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
VARANASI (UP): Prime Minister Narendra Modi filed his nomination here on Tuesday, an event attended by several NDA leaders, including Union ministers and chief ministers, in a show of strength as he seeks a third term from the Varanasi Lok Sabha constituency.  
Sporting a white kurta-pajama and a blue sadri, Modi reached the district collectorate after a busy morning, which included an aarti on the banks of the Ganga at the Dashashwamedh ghat and prayers at the city's Kaal Bhairav temple. Immediately after filing his papers, the prime minister headed for the Rudraksha Convention Centre to address local party leaders and workers.

The old idol of Ram Lala was kept in a tent-like structure after the Babri Masjid was demolished.  
They want to lock the premises again, he claimed and urged people to oust such "corrupt" forces.  
Modi said, "Congress forced the nation to Naxalism and destroyed several families, whereas BJP contained Naxal violence in the country."  
Asserting that the tribal region of Jharkhand bore the brunt of Naxalism, Modi promised that during his third term as the prime minister, he would wipe out Naxalism and terrorism from the face of the country.  
Modi alleged that the JMM-led ruling alliance in Jharkhand has been patronising infiltrators in the state. He said his topmost priori-

ty would be giving priority to deprived people.  
The prime minister also said that the abrogation of Article 370 in Jammu & Kashmir is one of the biggest steps in the interest of the nation and he is happy that the people there could celebrate the festival of democracy on Monday after decades.  
The Srinagar constituency witnessed voting on Monday in the first Lok Sabha election in the Valley since the scrapping of Article 370.  
He said INDIA bloc leaders are "dreaming of digging Modi's grave", but he is well protected with "suraksha kavach" of love and affection of people.  
"I was not born in a royal family; I was poor. I have lived in poverty and have vowed to free my people

## Deployment of force at LAC with China now abnormal: Jaishankar

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
KOLKATA: External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Tuesday said that the deployment of forces at the Line of Actual Control (LAC) with China is "abnormal" and the security of the country should not be disregarded.  
Speaking at an event organised by the Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC) here, Jaishankar said India responded to the Galwan clash by counter-deployment of forces there.  
"After 1962, Rajiv Gandhi went to China in 1988 in many ways that was the key step towards normalising the ties (with China)...there was a clear understanding that we will discuss our boundary differences but we will maintain peace and tranquillity on the border. And the rest of the relationship will carry on," the minister said.  
Since then, it has been the basis of the relationship with China, he said.  
"What changed now is what happened in 2020. In 2020, the Chinese, in violation of multiple agreements, brought a large number



**WEATHER**  
Temperature (Jammu)  
Max: 38.0°C Min: 18.8°C  
Humidity  
Max: 37 Min: 20  
Temperature (Srinagar)  
Max: 26.4°C Min: 9.5°C  
Humidity  
Max: 70 Min: 31  
Sunset : 19:21 Hours  
Sunrise : 05:32 Hours