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We removed Art 370; was there any bloodshed: Modi

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
H I M M A T N A G A R (GUJARAT): Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday said that the Congress had claimed that there will be bloodshed and the country will break apart if Article 370 was removed from Kashmir. "We removed Article 370. Was there any bloodshed? They used to claim no one will lift the tricolour in Kashmir after that decision. Today, our tricolour is flying high at Lal Chowk (in Srinagar)," said the Prime Minister while addressing a rally in Himmatnagar town of north Gujarat in support of BJP's Lok Sabha candidates for Sabarkantha and Mehsana seats. He said there was a time when the Congress government used to send 'dossiers', a bunch of documents about an incident, to a neighbouring country following a terror attack.



Give in writing will never give reservation based on religion: Modi to Cong
BANASKANTHA/NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday challenged the Congress to give a guarantee in writing that it will never give quota based on religion and asserted that as long as he is alive he will not allow anyone to "play the game of reservation". As the quota row escalated with five more phases left in the Lok Sabha elections, the Congress on its part asked Modi to clear his stance on whether he will remove the 50 per cent cap on reservation for Scheduled Castes(SC), Scheduled Tribes(ST) and Other Backward Class(OBC). The seven-phase elections concludes on June one. Union Home Minister Amit Shah also said the BJP will never do away with reservations for SC/ST/OBC categories **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

"Today, India gives dose, not dossiers. We now hunt them (terrorists) in their own homes (ghar me ghus kar marte hai)," Modi asserted. The Prime Minister also said that it was his government which gave reservation rights to Dalits, tribals and OBCs in Jammu and Kashmir by implementing the Constitution there after removing Article 370. "Modi works to protect the sanctity of the Constitution in every corner of India. Dalits, tribals and backward classes have already rejected the Congress. The BJP has the highest number of MLAs and MPs from these communities," he added. He questioned the Congress's respect for the Constitution and said Muslim women have suffered under its rule as he referred to the Rajiv Gandhi government overturning the Supreme Court **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

Bomb threat to over 130 schools in Delhi-NCR sparks massive scare
■ STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI/NOIDA: In a bomb scare of unprecedented scale, over 130 schools in Delhi-NCR received an identical threat email on Wednesday claiming that explosives had been planted on their premises, triggering massive evacuations and searches as panic-stricken parents rushed to pick up their children. **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

Two stranded foreign tourists rescued in Ladakh
■ STATE TIMES NEWS
LEH: Two foreign tourists, stranded on a treacherous cliff, were successfully rescued in the Khalsi sub-division in the Union Territory of Ladakh on Wednesday, police said. The women trekkers, Sullivan Deirdre from Ireland and Van Der Weijden from the Netherlands, found themselves in distress at an altitude of about 10,300 feet due to the slippery **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

Baramulla police attaches 7 properties belonging to terror handlers

Search operation to track down terrorist groups extends to Kathua
■ STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR/JAMMU: Police in Baramulla district of Jammu and Kashmir on Wednesday attached seven properties belonging to terror handlers based in Pakistan, officials said. After obtaining an attachment order passed by Additional Sessions Court, Baramulla, police attached properties belonging to terror handlers based in Pakistan, officials said. The seven properties was 1 acre and six marlas in total, they said. They identified the terror handlers as Sajad Ahmad Bhat, Irshad Ahmad Khan, Gulla Mochi, Mohd Aslam Khan, Mohd Beigh, Khalid Mir and Rafiq Ahmad Bakerwal, all residents of Uri area of the district. The police action was taken under CrPC Section 88 in connection with a case registered in Boniyar police station in 2008. **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**



Pak intruder shot dead along IB in Samba
SAMBHA: A Pakistani intruder was shot dead by Border Security Force personnel along the International Border in Samba district of Jammu and Kashmir on Wednesday evening, officials said. The intruder was fired upon by the BSF personnel when he ignored repeated warnings and tried to sneak into this side from across the border around 8.20 pm, they said. They said the incident took place near Border Outpost Regal and reinforcements have been rushed to the area for a thorough search operation. **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

BJP will not remove reservations, nor will it allow Cong to do so: Shah

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
KORBA: Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Wednesday said the Bharatiya Janata Party will never do away with reservations for Scheduled Tribes, Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Class, nor will it allow the Congress to do so. "Congress' tactic to lie repeatedly, he alleged, and advised its president Mallikarjun Kharge not to speak lies for the sake of the "family" (referring to Nehru-Gandhi family) as eventually he would be blamed for its loss in the Lok Sabha elections. Speaking at a rally at K a t g h o r a town in Chhattisgarh in support of S a r o j Pandey, the BJP candidate from the Korba constituency, Shah accused Congress of nurturing terrorism and Naxalism to win elections. "Congress has one formula -- speak lies loudly. **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

Seven accused including notorious land grabber Gola Shah arrested
IC/PP Greater Kailash suspended; SIT constituted
■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Seven accused including the notorious land grabber Ravinder Kumar alias Gola Shah have been arrested for their involvement in murder of a 39-year-old man, over land dispute. FIR (39/24) under section 307/323 /447/147/1PC has been registered against Parshotam Singh, son of Gian Singh, resident of village Kartholi Tehsil Bari Brahmana, Samba, Ravinder Kumar alias Gola Shah, his son Rakshat, Sheikh Mehmood, son of Sheikh Ghulam Mustafa and others. Taking action over the killing of a 39-year-old man in Greater Kailash, who was attacked in the presence of police over a land dispute on Tuesday, SSP Jammu, Dr Vinod Kumar, has ordered the suspension of incharge Police Post (IC/PP) Greater Kailash PSI Puneet Sharma. **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**



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Eviction of Ex-Ministers/Ex-MLAs from Govt Bungalows DB extends time to Estates Deptt to conclude process by June 5

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: In the much publicized Public Interest Litigation (PIL 17/2020) seeking eviction of over-staying Ex-Ministers/Ex-Legislators from Ministerial Bungalows/ A & B Type Kothies/ Govt Flats, a Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court comprising Chief Justice N Kotiswar Singh and Justice Moksha Khajuria Kazni allowed the application filed by Estates Department seeking extension of time in complying the directions of the Division Bench dated April 3, 2024 whereby the Division Bench had directed the Director Estates Jammu/Kashmir to individually issue show cause notices to the overstaying 42 politicians including Former Chief Minister, Two Deputy CMs and ors. While allowing the application filed by Estates Department seeking extension of time to implement the order of Division Bench, the Division Bench headed by Chief Justice N Kotiswar Singh after hearing Sr. AAG SS Nanda appearing for **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

India spoke to the Presidents of Russia and Ukraine and the war stopped for four and a half hours. This is today's India," he said. The minister claimed that Modi rid the country of pilferage of government funding which, he alleged, was a norm during the Congress rule. "In the Congress government, one of their prime ministers had admitted that if we send one rupee to the poor, only 12 paise reaches their account. Today under Modi's rule, if one rupee is sent, the full rupee reaches the account. Modi ji has freed the country from corruption by opening Jan **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

Budgam man booked for sharing 'fake' Shah speech

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Police here have registered a case against a Budgam resident for allegedly sharing a fake video of Union Home Minister Amit Shah, officials said. Following a complaint by BJP leader Altaf Thakur, a case was registered against Mohammad Ilyas Hussain Mir at Magam Police Station of Budgam. "This is to inform you one mischievous person under the name of Ilyas Mir Magami @ Magamiillyas has uploaded a dubbed and fake video of Shri Amit Shah where in it is stated that Centre is going to remove the reservation of SC and ST people in J&K, which is totally baseless and far from facts," Thakur wrote in his complaint, according to police. "I request you to kindly act swiftly against the person and arrest him for spreading wrong information as the act has a potential to trigger resentment and protest by the SC and ST community of J&K," he added. **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

DPAP will courageously voice public concerns in Parliament: Azad

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
RAJOURI: Chairman of the Democratic Progressive Party (DPAP), Ghulam Nabi Azad on Wednesday asserted that the elected members of his party will courageously voice public concerns in Parliament. In his address, after conducting a road show in Rajouri, Azad articulated his core agenda, centered around development, unity, and progress. He denounced the divisive tactics employed by rival parties and condemned their attempts to sow discord based on the basis of religion and caste. He underscored the dangers of divisive politics, saying while some parties have historically divided people on religious lines, they are now resorting to caste-based divisions. Azad highlighted the detrimental impact of such divisive tactics on the **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

Jammu-Srinagar NH reopens for light vehicles

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
BANIHAL/JAMMU: The Jammu-Srinagar National Highway was on Wednesday reopened for light motor vehicles (LMVs) after remaining closed for the past two days following multiple landslides triggered by heavy rains in Ramban district, officials said. Heavy motor vehicles are not allowed to ply on the highway for the time being as the road clearance and widening operation is still on, a traffic department official said. He said the LMVs were released on the highway from both sides around **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

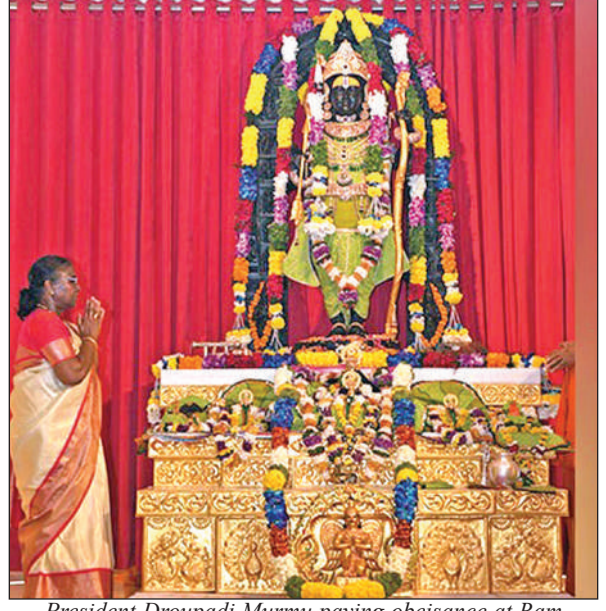
Modi got Russia-Ukraine war stopped to evacuate Indians: Rajnath

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
BUDAUN: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Wednesday claimed that the Narendra Modi government stopped the Russia-Ukraine war for four and a half hours to safely evacuate the Indian students trapped there. Singh made the remark while addressing a public meeting in support of BJP candidates Dharmendra Kashyap and Durvijay Singh. While Kashyap is contesting from Aonla Lok Sabha seat, Durvijay Singh is a contender from Budaun seat. Claiming that a new India has emerged over the last 10 years of the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Singh said that when **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

of India spoke to the Presidents of Russia and Ukraine and the war stopped for four and a half hours. This is today's India," he said. The minister claimed that Modi rid the country of pilferage of government funding which, he alleged, was a norm during the Congress rule. "In the Congress government, one of their prime ministers had admitted that if we send one rupee to the poor, only 12 paise reaches their account. Today under Modi's rule, if one rupee is sent, the full rupee reaches the account. Modi ji has freed the country from corruption by opening Jan **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**

President Murmu pays obeisance at Ram temple in Ayodhya

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
AYODHYA (UP): President Droupadi Murmu paid obeisance and performed "aarti" at the Ram temple in Ayodhya on Wednesday. In a video shared on the president's official X handle, she was seen kneeling down and bowing before the idol amid religious chants and the sound of cymbals and gongs. Before visiting the temple in the evening, Murmu took part in the Sarayu "aarti" and performed puja at the Hanumangarhi temple here. The president was seen offering a garland of flowers to the Sarayu river as part of the "aarti". "President Droupadi Murmu had darshan and performed puja at **■ CONTD ON PAGE 9**



President Droupadi Murmu paying obeisance at Ram temple in Ayodhya on Wednesday.

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Temperature (Jammu)
Max: 29.5°C Min: 16.1°C

Humidity
Max: 54 Min: 32

Temperature (Srinagar)
Max: 18.5°C Min: 7.1°C

Humidity
Max: 83 Min: 52

Sunset : 19:11 Hours
Sunrise : 05:43 Hours

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