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Congress plans to handover property to those involved in 'vote jihad': Modi

STATE TIMES NEWS
CHAI BASA: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday accused the Congress of planning to allocate property to those involved in "vote jihad" while affirming that no power on earth would be permitted to alter the Constitution.

"Congress wants to distribute your property to those indulging in 'vote jihad' but Modi will ensure that the poor, Dalit and Tribals have the first right on the country's property. No force on earth would be allowed to change or alter our Constitution," the PM said while addressing the 'Maha Vijay Sankalp Sabha' at Tata College Ground, Chaibasa.

Taking a dig at the Congress' pledge to tackle wealth and income inequality in its manifesto for the Lok



Sabha elections, Modi remarked that the party had stated that Muslims hold the primary claim to the nation's resources, contrasting it with his government's focus on uplifting marginalised communities including the poor, dalits, tribals, and other vulnerable sections.

Modi said the Congress had announced that it would conduct a survey to find out the property of individuals, gold owned by women, 'stridhan',

as long as he is alive, the Congress will not be allowed to exploit the quotas meant for tribal and OBC communities.

The Prime Minister said a "fatwa" was issued in Karnataka and overnight all Muslims there were converted into OBCs.

Hitting out at the JMM-led coalition in the state, the PM said it was patronising infiltration in Santhal Parganas and indulged in vote bank politics akin to neighbouring West Bengal.

"This has resulted in a decrease in tribal population there. Our women are not safe. The JMM and Congress are usurping tribal land. They have even not spared Army land. Their leaders are neck-deep in corruption whether it be liquor,

CBSE Class 10, 12 results likely after May 20

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) class 10 and 12 results are likely to be announced after May 20, officials said on Friday.

The clarification came amid speculation about announcement of the exam results. "CBSE class 10

Terror hideout busted, arms recovered

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Security forces busted a terrorist hideout in Bandipora district and recovered arms and ammunition, police said on Friday.

"In a joint operation, Indian Army-13 RR, Bandipora police and 3rd BN CRPF busted a terrorist hideout in Changali forest Aragam (in the north Kashmir district)," Bandipora police said

Incumbent BJP MP joins campaigning for party candidate in Ladakh

STATE TIMES NEWS
LEH: BJP's incumbent Ladakh MP Jamyang Tsering Namgyal, who had "revolted" against the central leadership for not giving him ticket, on Friday pledged his support to party candidate Tashi Gyalson, ending more than a week of uncertainty in the party camp.

However, all is not well with the Ladakh unit of the Congress, which is facing a vertical divide between Leh and Kargil districts.

While official Congress candidate Tsering Namgyal, who is also leader of opposition in the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (LAHDC), Leh, filed his nomination papers, the party's Kargil unit on Friday accompanied National Conference leader Haji

Hanifa Jan as he filed his nomination papers before the assistant returning officer.

A keen contest is on the cards in the constituency as Sajjad Kargili, one of the prominent leaders of the Kargil Democratic Alliance (KDA), also filed his nomination papers on Friday.

Accompanied by his supporters, BJP MP Namgyal reached party headquarters in Leh and extended his support to Gyalson, who is also the chairman-cum-chief executive councilor of LAHDC, Leh.

"I have not rejoined the BJP which is my home and my family. Differences do crop up sometimes within a family but I am not angry with the BJP, (Prime Minister Narendra) Modi or Gyalson. I am sure the BJP will continue its winning

streak in the Ladakh Lok Sabha seat and Ladakh will be one among our target of 400 seats in the general elections," he told reporters.

Namgyal said they will take whatever steps needed for the bright future of Ladakh, to meet aspirations of the people and ensure security of the region.

"I have learnt from the party that nation comes first, party second and self last... We have started campaigning for the party candidate," he said.

Congress candidate Tsering Namgyal filed his nomination papers on Thursday, and said the party's manifesto contains including Ladakh in the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution.

"We support the four-point demand of the Leh

SIA attaches property of LeT terrorist in Rajouri

STATE TIMES NEWS
RAJOURI: The State Investigation Agency (SIA) on Friday attached the property of a Lashkar-e-Toba terrorist in Rajouri district, officials said.

The immovable property belonging to LeT terrorist Abdul Hameed Khan at the Panjgrain village in Manjakote tehsil was attached under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) in



compliance with a court order, they said.

The SIA has registered a case under the UAPA against him along with

Committed to provide voter turnout figures timely: EC

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: Amid the opposition's allegations of delay by the Election Commission in sharing voter turnout data, the poll body on Friday asserted that booth-wise data of "actual number of votes polled" is available with the candidates soon after the voting ends.

The EC also said it attaches "due importance" to the timely release of voter turnout figures after each phase of the poll.

The opposition parties including the Left, TMC and the Congress have claimed that the poll panel is deliber-

ately not sharing the turnout statistics and that there were discrepancies in the data shared days after the first phase of poll on April 19.

"Disclosures and transparency are standard practices in the EC's work. As per statutory requirements, voter turnout is to be recorded at every polling station in absolute numbers in Form 17C. As a strong measure of transparency, the copies of Form 17C, duly signed by the presiding officer and all present polling agents, are shared with all present polling agents," it said.

This is the for the time the

EC has officially come out with a statement on allegations of delay in sharing turnout data.

"Leave alone constituency, even booth-wise data of actual number of votes polled is available with the candidates, which is a statutory requirement," it asserted.

As a disclosure initiative for other stakeholders and media, the state, parliamentary constituency and assembly constituency wise tentative turnout figures are made available through EC's Voter Turnout app which is regularly updated, the election watchdog said.

"The Commission is committed to provide voter turnout figures timely that is useful for media and other stakeholders in the coming phases," it said.

A voter turnout of 66.14 per cent was recorded in phase one and 66.71 per cent in phase two of the ongoing Lok Sabha polls, the Election Commission had said on Tuesday.

On the same day, the Congress, CPI-M and TMC had questioned the EC over the delay in announcing the final voter turnout figures for the first two phases of

Northern Army Commander reviews anti-infiltration grid in Kashmir



Northern Army Commander Lt Gen M V Suchindra Kumar reviewing counter-terrorism grid in Srinagar.

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Northern Army Commander Lt Gen M V Suchindra Kumar

reviewed the anti-infiltration and counter-terrorism grid in the Kashmir Valley,

38 candidates file nomination papers for Baramulla PC

STATE TIMES NEWS
BARAMULLA: A total of 38 candidates have filed their nominations for the 1-Baramulla Parliamentary Constituency (PC), with 19 candidates submitting their papers on last day of nomination here on Friday at the office of the Returning Officer (RO), Minga Sherpa.

Those who filed their nomination papers today included Prince Parvez, Shafteeqa Begum, Bilal Ahmad Wani, Syed Ameer Suhail, Mohammad Sultan Ganaie, Shahdib Hanief Khan, Ghulam Nabi Parray, Ishfaq Ahmad Bhat, Dr. Manzoor Ahmad Bhat, Ashiq Hussain, Shabir Ahmad Malik, Mohammad Abdullah Khan, Haamid

CS reviews progress of Jhelum, Tawi Flood Recovery Project



CS Atal Dulloo chairing a meeting at Srinagar on Friday.

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo, on Friday chaired a review meeting here at Civil Secretariat to assess the

progress on World Bank-funded Jhelum and Tawi Flood Recovery Project (JTFRP).

Chief Executive Officer, Economic Reconstruction Agency (ERA), Dr. Selrish Asgar, presented a detailed report highlighting significant milestones achieved, so far.

During the meeting, it was informed that the proposals for additional works from six line departments were submitted to the World

Police activate AI-based facial recognition system in J&K

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The police on Friday activated an advanced AI-based facial recognition system at the Navyuga tunnel, marking a significant stride towards bolstering security measures on the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway in the Ramban district of Jammu and Kashmir, officials said.

This technology is designed to identify and track individuals involved in criminal activities, including terrorists, over-ground

SFs launch CASO in forest areas of Bhadarwah following suspicious movement

STATE TIMES NEWS
BHADARWAH: Acting on the inputs, security forces launched a cordon and search operation (CASO) in forest area near Mathola area of Bhadarwah on Friday, an official said.

While confirming the news, SSP Doda Javaid Iqbal, who also joined the CASO, said that Security forces, including Jammu Kashmir Police, SOG and Army this morning launched a cordon and search operation (CASO) following move-



ment of "suspected people" in forest areas.

SSP Doda Javaid Iqbal said that some locals noticed

suspicious movement of some armed people in Mathola area of Bhadarwah.

WEATHER

Temperature (Jammu)
Max: 31.7°C Min: 17.6°C

Humidity
Max: 55 Min: 55

Temperature (Srinagar)
Max: 20.6°C Min: 7.8°C

Humidity
Max: 67 Min: 59

Sunset: 19:13 Hours
Sunrise: 05:41 Hours

LG Sinha visits Lord Shri Ram Temple in Ayodhya

STATE TIMES NEWS
AYODHYA (UP): The Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha visited Ayodhya on Friday and had Darshan at the Lord Shri Ram Temple. Subsequently, the Lt Governor visited Hanuman Garhi Temple and performed Darshan and Aarti.

The Lt Governor Tweeted: Having the divine darshan of Shri Ram Lalla Ji in Ayodhya. The inanimate and animate, all beings are astonished, those who see the Lord, they see the Lord. The bliss, celebration, joy and contentment



LG Manoj Sinha paying obeisance at Lord Shri Ram Temple in Ayodhya on Friday.

of this moment, and the glimpse of Shri Ram's child-like form cannot be bound in words.

Shri Ram is the center of this nation's inner strength and the energy of the people's psyche. He is the ideal personality, the embodiment of human values, the symbol of India's culture, traditions and civilization.

May Lord Ram's grace remain upon all and may Jammu and Kashmir progress further. Divine darshan of Shri Hanuman Garhi Ayodhya Dham. May the blessings of Shri Hanuman ji be upon you all. Jai Bajarangabale!

Sonia Gandhi's attempt to launch Rahul from Raebareli will fail: Shah

STATE TIMES NEWS
HUKKERI: Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday said Congress leader Rahul Gandhi is contesting the Lok Sabha elections from Raebareli in Uttar Pradesh after running away from Anethi and predicted that he will lose the polls there against the BJP candidate by a huge margin.

He also said former AICC President Sonia Gandhi's multiple attempts to "launch"

Rahul Gandhi had failed and claimed that this was the twenty-first attempt.

The top BJP leader addressed a public meeting here in Belagavi district for party candidate from Chikkodi Lok Sabha segment Amasaheb Jolle.

"Modi ji tried and at once Chandrayaan (mission to Moon) got launched. Sonia Gandhi has launched this 'yaan' named Rahul



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