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## LG visits Baltal, reviews arrangements for Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

GANDERBAL: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Tuesday visited the Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra Base Camp at Baltal and reviewed the arrangements for the holy pilgrimage. He directed senior officers of the Administration, SASB, Police, Security forces and other stakeholder departments to coordinate with each other for better security and Yatra management.

At Baltal Base Camp, the Lt Governor discussed with the senior officers of Police and Security Forces the security arrangements in place for the safe and secure pilgrimage. He took first hand appraisal of preparedness of the Administration, Shri Amarnath Ji Shrine Board, health and disaster response teams and the service providers.

The Lt Governor also reviewed the facilities including accommodation, food,



LG Manoj Sinha during visit to Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra Base Camp at Baltal on Tuesday.

connectivity, transportation, power and water supply, sanitation, RFID counters, health, availability of fire tenders, medicines, oxygen, parking facilities, telecom-

munication, Heli services, IEC activities, registration of service providers, etc.

The Lt Governor directed the officials to ensure that all the requisite amenities are in

place and extension of seamless services to the devotees of Baba Amarnath Ji.

He also interacted with the representatives of

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## CBI arrests Arvind Kejriwal from jail day before SC hears his bail plea

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has arrested Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal from the Tihar Jail on Tuesday night in connection with the excise policy case, a day before the Supreme Court's hearing on his bail in the ED's money laundering case, sources said.

The CBI questioned Kejriwal in Tihar Jail on Monday and recorded his statement related to the excise policy case.

Kejriwal will be produced before the CBI court on Wednesday morning, where the CBI will take his custody for custodial interrogation.

AAP leader Sanjay Singh alleged on Tuesday that the BJP has hatched a conspiracy with CBI officers to frame Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal in a "fake case".

## Those who imposed Emergency have no right to profess love for Constitution: Modi

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: On the 49th anniversary of Emergency, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Tuesday that its dark days are a reminder of how the Congress subverted basic freedoms and trampled over the Constitution which every Indian respects greatly.

Hitting out at the main opposition party, he said in posts on X that those who imposed the Emergency have no right to profess their love for our Constitution.

Modi said, "These are the same people who have imposed Article 356 on innumerable occasions, got a Bill to destroy press freedom, destroyed federalism and violated every aspect of the Constitution."

"The mindset which led to the imposition of the Emergency is very much alive among the same Party which imposed it. They hide their disdain for the Constitution through their



tokenism but the people of India have seen through their antics and that is why they have rejected them time and again," he said.

Just to cling on to power, the then Congress Government disregarded every democratic principle and turned the nation into a jail, Modi said, adding that any person who disagreed with the party was tortured and harassed.

"Socially regressive policies were unleashed to target the weakest sections," he said.

On June 25, 1975, the

then prime minister Indira Gandhi, a Congress stalwart, imposed Emergency in the country, suspending civil liberties, jailing opposition leaders and dissidents and effecting press censorship.

The prime minister said the anniversary on Tuesday is a day to pay homage to all those great men and women who resisted the Emergency.

The first day of the 18th Lok Sabha on Monday witnessed a war of words between Prime Minister Modi and Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge over the imposition of Emergency.

## AAP patronising drug mafias in Punjab: Chugh

### '4 deaths in 5 days in Tarn Taran alarming'

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

CHANDIGARH: BJP National General Secretary Tarun Chugh on Friday



strongly condemned the Bhagwant Mann government for its failure to contain the problem of drugs in the State.

Taking strong exception to the fact that four drug addicts died in Tarn Taran in

the last five days, Chugh said alarming signals have been coming from all parts of the State but the entire government machinery has failed to check the drug menace in Punjab.

He said recently a video of a drug addict woman went viral in Amritsar, which conveyed a shocking message to the entire State that the drug problem has penetrated seriously among the girls also.

Chugh said similar news pours from other parts of the State as well, giving an impression that

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## Rahul Gandhi to be Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha



### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Congress leader Rahul Gandhi will occupy the post of Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha and a letter about the decision has been sent to Protem Speaker Bhartruhari

Mahtab by the Congress party.

The decision on Rahul Gandhi's appointment as the Leader of Opposition was announced soon after a meeting of the floor leaders of the INDIA bloc at Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge's residence.

AICC general secretary, Organisation, KC Venugopal told the media that CPP chairperson Sonia Gandhi has written to the Pro-tem Speaker about the decision of the Congress party.

"Congress Parliamentary Party chairperson (Sonia Gandhi) wrote to

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## Amarnath Yatra: Jammu base camp gets 3-tier security

### High-end CCTVs installed to monitor traffic on J&K highway

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A three-tier security system has been put in place in and around for the Amarnath base camp in Jammu under the charge of Jammu and Kashmir Police's security wing.

Forces have carried out search and sanitisation operations to ensure a safe commencement of the annual yatra from June 28 in Jammu.

The 52-day pilgrimage to the holy cave shrine of Amarnath, located at a height of 3,880 metres, will commence from the twin tracks -- the traditional 48-kilometre Nunwan-



Pahalgam route in Anantnag and the 14-kilometre shorter but steeper Baltal route in Ganderbal -- on June 29.

"Adequate security arrangements have been

made for the yatra. Three-tier security measures have been put in place for the base camp in the Bhagwati Nagar area in Jammu," Jammu Senior Superintendent of

Police (SSP) Dr Vinod Kumar said.

The SSP said that lodgement and registration centres in Jammu City are also under strict security.

Police have also secured the highway through which the yatra will pass every day.

"Security arrangements and area dominations have been enforced on the highway, and all points from borders have been plugged," the office said.

"Quick Reaction Teams (QRTs) have been activated, high-rise buildings dominated, and the security machinery is in law and order

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## Five SHOs among 12 Inspectors, PSI transferred

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Senior Superintendent of Police Vinod Kumar on Monday transferred five SHO among 12 Inspectors among 13 police officials.

According to the order, Inspector Arun Prakash has been transferred from Police Station (PS) Domana and posted as SHO Gandhi Nagar; Inspector Sushil Choudhary from DPL Jammu and posted as SHO Domana; Inspector Vijay Sharma from DPL Jammu and posted as SHO Bahu Fort; Inspector Amit Kumar from PS Bahu Fort and posted to DPL Jammu; Inspector Arjun Mangotra from DPL Jammu and posted as SHO Gharota; Inspector Sukhbir Singh from PS Gharota and posted to DPL Jammu; Inspector Sumeet Sharma from DPL Jammu and posted as SHO Janipur; Inspector Sunil Dutt from PS Janipur and posted to DPL Jammu; Inspector Azad Ahmed from DPL Jammu and

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## ED gets 7-day remand of 'kingpin' in 2022 JKSSB SI paper leak case

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Special Judge CBI Cases Jammu Bala Jyoti on Tuesday remanded the alleged kingpin of the 2022 JKSSB sub-inspector recruitment exam paper leak case to seven-day Enforcement Directorate custody.

Yatin Yadav (43), a resident of Haryana's Rewari, was arrested on Monday evening under criminal sections of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA).

The Jammu and Kashmir Service Selection Board (JKSSB) sub-inspector

recruitment exam was held on March 27, 2022 but the selected list of 1,200 candidates along with 1,300 junior engineers and 1,000 finance account assistants was cancelled by the Jammu and Kashmir administration in July that year following allegations of paper leak and malpractice.

The case was handed over to the CBI and it filed a chargesheet against 33 accused including Yadav on November 12, 2022. The Enforcement Directorate (ED) case stems from the CBI FIR.

The ED moved an applica-

tion through its Special Public Prosecutor Ashwani Khajuria in the court of Special Judge, anti-corruption (CBI cases), Jammu Bala Jyoti and got seven days remand of the accused.

Yadav was produced in the court under proper custody by Investigating Officer Rahul Verma, Assistant Director, ED, Sub Zonal Office, Jammu who prayed for his remand for a period of 14 days.

"From a perusal of case diaries and entire material on record, it transpires that since the accused was

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## 18 Judicial Officers regularized as District Judges

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh on Tuesday regularized/confirmed the adhoc appointment on promotion basis of 18 Judicial Officers (JOs) as District Judges.

"Pursuant to the resolution adopted by the Full Court in its meeting held on June 8, 2024, the adhoc appointment on promotion basis as District Judges (Entry Level) of the 18 Judicial Officers, made vide Government Order No. 8630-JK (LD) of 2022 dated October 13, 2022, is confirmed/

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## Former J&K Bar Association president arrested in advocate's murder case

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: The Jammu and Kashmir Police arrested former Jammu and Kashmir High Court Bar Association President Mian Qayoom on Tuesday for his alleged involvement in the murder conspiracy of fellow advocate Babar Qadri in 2020, officials here said.

Qayoom, known for his close association with pro-Pakistan separatist leader Syed Ali Shah Geelani, was taken into custody after the State Investigation Agency (SIA) collected substantial evidence against him, the officials said.



Qadri, a human rights expert who frequently appeared on television debates, was fatally shot at his residence in the Hawal area of downtown in September 2020. He had narrowly survived an assassi-

nation attempt in 2018.

The officials said that during the investigation, Qayoom emerged as the primary suspect behind the murder conspiracy.

Qayoom is the father-in-law of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh High Court judge Justice Javed Iqbal Wani.

Following the high-profile killing, a Special Investigation Team (SIT) was formed by the police to probe into Qadri's murder. Subsequently, the case was transferred to the SIA for further examination. In a related development,

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## Cong crushed spirit of Constitution for maintaining a family in power: Shah

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Senior BJP leader and Union Home Minister Amit Shah came out strongly against the Congress on Tuesday for



imposing the Emergency in the country and said the opposition party crushed the spirit of the Constitution several times for the sake of


in power".

On the 49th anniversary of the 1975 Emergency, Shah also hit out at Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, calling him the "yuvraj" of the party

and saying it has forgotten that his grandmother Indira Gandhi had imposed the Emergency and his father Rajiv Gandhi said in Parliament on July 23, 1985, that "there is nothing wrong with an emergency".

"The Congress crushed the spirit of our Constitution several times for the sake of maintaining a certain family in power: Indira Gandhi

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**WEATHER**

**Temperature (Jammu)**  
Max: 41.4°C Min: 28.9°C

**Humidity**  
Max: 46 Min: 29

**Temperature (Srinagar)**  
Max: 33.0°C Min: 16.6°C

**Humidity**  
Max: 60 Min: 29

Sunset : 19:42 Hours  
Sunrise : 05:24 Hours