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JK to host maiden adventure race, international marathon

# NDA to meet Prez today; Modi likely to take oath as PM on Sunday

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

NEW DELHI: Newly elect ed MPs of the BJP-led National Democratic Alliance are expected to meet on Friday to elect Narendra Modi as their leader, paving the way for him to take oath as prime minister for a third term. The swearing-in is likely to be held on Sunday.

After Modi's election as the leader of NDA MPs, senior members of the alliance like TDP's N Chandrababu Naidu and JD(U)'s Nitish Kumar will join the prime minister for a meeting with President Droupadi Murmu to present her the list of parliamentarians supporting him, some alliance members

He may be sworn in over weekend, possibly Sunday, they added. The NDA has 293 MPs, comfortably above the majority mark of 272 in the 543-member

Senior BJP leaders, includ-



ing Union ministers Amit Shah and Rajnath Singh, held deliberations through the day on Thursday as the party set in motion government formation efforts amid a demand by a senior Janata Dal (United) leader that his should receive respectable representation in Union Council of Ministers.

"The matter of cabinet berths will be decided by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and our party chief Nitish Kumar ji. But, it should be respectable, Shrawan Kumar, JD(U)

leader and Bihar Rural

Development Minister, told

PTI in Patna. There should be three ministerial berths for his party, JD(U) leader another

demanded. Another BJP ally and LJP(R) leader Chirag Paswan, who is seen as a con-

tender for a Cabinet berth.

said his party's support to Modi is unconditional, stressing that it was under his leadership that the NDA has won a majority.

Shiv Sena sources said that instead of his son and threeterm MP Shrikant Shinde, Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde wants other senior MPs to be considered for ministerial roles.

"The chief minister has always maintained that the son of a king should not necessarily become a king and whoever performs will become the king," the source

Eknath Shinde has always maintained that merit should be prioritised over family connections, according to the

All NDA constituents are likely to present letters of support to the President for Modi as the new prime minister on Friday, he added.

#### High Court to close for **Summer Vacations** from June 10

## ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh will remain closed for the Summer Vacations with effect from June 10 to June 29, 2024 (both days inclusive).

The period commencing from June 10 to 15, 2024 is No Work Period for the High Court. Chief Justice of Jammu & Kashmir

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#### Govt attaches two JDA officers

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Two officers of the Development Authority (JDA), Ravinder Koul, Executive Engineer of Division-1, and Megha Gupta, Tehsildar of Zone-C/D, have been attached to office ofthe Secretary, Commissioner Housing Urban Development Department, pending an enquiry into their conduct. Meanwhile, Rahul

# Youth power building prosperous future of J&K: LG



LG Manoj Sinha speaking at the NIFT Srinagar's Youth Fest SPECTRUM-2024 on Thursday.

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

BUDGAM: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Thursday that the youth power is building a prosperous future of Jammu and Kashmir.

"Youth are our biggest strength and they are committed to take the Union Territory to greater heights", the Lt Governor said after inaugurating the two-day annual Youth Festival of National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) "SPEC-TRUM-24" at NIFT campus

Ompora Budgam. The Lt Governor congratulated the NIFT Srinagar for

providing opportunities to the students of educational institutions of Kashmir Valley to explore their hidden talents in performing arts, sports, fashion shows and literary programs. He said the two-day festival

is also an opportunity for Youth to exchange innovative and creative ideas for promoting our rich cultural and artistic heritage.

The Lt Governor com-

STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: The model

Model code of conduct lifted,

says Election Commission

mended the contribution of NIFT Srinagar in the area of design development and positioning of handlooms and handicrafts and providing new career avenues to the aspiring youth of J&K in Fashion, Design Management.

"Our handloom and handicraft sector has undergone a major revolution in the last 4-5 years. Students of NIFT can play a decisive role in design development and positioning of handloom

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## JKBOSE declares Class 12 result; girls bag top positions

#### STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: The J&K Board of

Education (JKBOSE) on Thursday declared the result of class 12th Annual Regular 2024 pertaining Union Territories of J&K and Ladakh under the Uniform Academic Calendar.

In total, 93,340 students were enrolled for this examination out of which 69,385 students passed the exams;  $46,\!550$  are males and  $46,\!786$ are females. Girls have excelled again by scoring a pass percentage of 77 per cent against 72 per cent of the boys. The exam was conducted in the Soft and Hard

#### FIR registered against woman CISF cop for slapping Kangana Ranaut STATE TIMES NEWS

CHANDIGARH/NEW DELHI: Actor and BJP MP-elect Kangana Ranaut



said she was hit on the face and abused by a woman CISF constable during security check at the Chandigarh airport on Thursday.

Constable Kulwinder Kaur, who appeared to be upset with Ranaut over her stance on the farmers' protests, has been suspended and an FIR has been lodged against her, officials said The Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), tasked with providing security at airports, has also ordered a court of inquiry into the incident.

In a video statement titled "Shocking rise in terror and violence in Punjab"

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Sunset: 19:36 Hours

Sunrise: 05:22 Hours

Min: 57

Max: 77

Zone areas identified in both the UTs.

Expressing his satisfaction over the entire examination process of Annual Regular examination. Chairperson, JKBOSEProf. (Dr.) Parikshat Singh Manhas congratulated all the stakeholders and expressed gratitude to the entire UT. divisional and district level administrative machinery, Education School Department, India Posts, whole team of the officers and officials of JKBOSE, teachers who have tirelessly contributed for the smooth conduct of examination

CONTD ON PAGE 9 CS calls for timely roll out of JK Samadhan,

# Eviction of Ex-Ministers/Ex-Legislatures from Govt Accommodation

# Two politicians vacate Govt bunglows; 6 in process of vacation: AG

## ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: In a significant development in the much publicized Public Interest Litigation (PIL) seeking eviction of overstaying Ex-Ministers/Ex-Legislators from Govt. Accommodation, Advocate General D.C. Raina assisted by AAG Amit Gupta and Govt. Advocate Sajad Ashraf submitted before the Division Bench comprising the Chief Justice N. Kotiswar Singh and Justice Moksha Khajuria Kazmi that Government of J&K has already taken

tions passed by the Division Bench on April 3, 2024 and pursuant thereto two premises have already been vacated by Wazira Begum (Political Person) and Sonaullah Lone (Political Person) whereas six more are in the process of being vacated.

Advocate General D.C. Raina further submitted that in respect of other premises, the matter is under consideration before the Committee and AG sought two months time to do the needful in the matter:

On the other hand, action in terms of the direc- Advocate Sheikh Shakeel

Ahmed with Advocate Rahul Raina submitted that there is no proper compliance of the directions passed by the Division Bench on April 3, 2024 as the Division Bench had issued categoric directions to Director Estates, Jammu and Director Estates, Kashmir to pass individual orders in respect of all 43 occupants and also to explain why these occupants were not charged rental at commercial rates since they are not holding any office as of now.

Advocate S.S. Ahmed vociferously argued that there

cannot be two laws in a simi-Abdullah ridors of power. Advocate S.S. Ahmed fur-

### Alok gets addl charge of Admin Secy SED

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: The government on Thursday assigned additional charge to an IRS offi-"Alok Kumar, IRS, Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department, shall hold the charge of the of Administrative Secretary, School Education Department (SED), in addition to his own duties, till further orders," read an order issued by Sanjeev Commissioner Verma. Secretary. General Administration Department

"The officer shall take up the charge of the post upon relinquishing of the charge by Dr. Piyush Singla, IAS (AGMUT:2012)," it added.

lar situation as Govt. of J&K evicted more than 200 politicians including two former Chief Ministers namely Mehbooba Mufti and several Ex-Ministers but undue favour is being extended to remaining 41 politicians who are having access in the cor-

ther submitted that it is unfortunate that the exercise undertaken by the Estates Department pursuant to Order dated April 3, 2024

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code of conduct that came into force on March 16 with the announcement of the Lok Sabha election has been lift-In a communication to the

Union Cabinet Secretary and state chief secretaries, the Election Commission said as results of Lok Sabha elections and assembly polls in Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Odisha and Andhra Pradesh along with some assembly bypolls have been declared, "model code of conduct has ceased to be in operation with immediate effect".

The poll code was lifted on

a day when the Election Commission led by Rajiv Kumar handed over a list of winning candidates to President Droupadi Murmu, putting in motion the process to constitute the 18th Lok

The voting period for the 2024 Lok Sabha polls, spread over 44 days, was the second longest after the first parliamentary elections of 1951-52 which lasted for more than four months. The total number of days of

the electoral process this time, from the announcement of the polls by the **Election Commission** 

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# 'Blackmailer' Amit Kapoor on 7-day remand; police probing extortion cases

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: The court of 2nd Additional Munsiff has sent notorious blackmailer Amit Kapoor on seven days police remand to investigate extortion case registered against him at Bus Stand Police Station and various complaints lodged at various police stations against him.

On June 5, Jammu police arrested Amit Kapoor from Jammu Bus Stand area while demanding and accepting money from a government employee.

Today, Police submitted in Court that the accused Amit



are numerous complaints against him related to extortion and blackmailing.

"To grant bail at this moment will hamper the police investigations," the investigating officer apprised the court, adding his custody is required to investigate the

The complainant Avinash Kumar, an employee of (JDA) on Authority Wednesday lodged a complaint with the Bus Stand police that Amit Kapoor had threatened him to expose some documents to media if he does not pay him Rs 10

Self-styled activist and convenor of the so-called Parents Association, the fraudster Amit Kapoor was arrested under section 387 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) FIR 31/2024. under According to police

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#### Palatial house on Govt land at Ban Nagrota Ex-DyCM's wife files petition against Spl Tribunal's demolition order

JAMMU: Mamta Singh wife of Dr. Nirmal Singh, former Deputy CM J&K on Thursday filed a petition in the Jammu Wing of High Court of J&K and Ladakh whereby challenging the legality of order dated May 17, 2024 passed by J&K Special Tribunal at Jammu (Bench-III) whereby the Tribunal dismissed the appeal filed by Mamta Singh and upheld the demolition order of JDA in respect of the residential house situated at Village Ban in Tehsil Nagrota,

The Tribunal also imposed

and perjury for getting favorable orders by taking shelter of falsehood, misrepresentation/suppression of facts and fraud.

In the petition filed through Advocates Jugal Kishore Gupta, Uday Bhaskar and Ishna Vaid, the petitioner Mamta Singh has raised several grounds to assail the impugned order passed by the Special Tribunal.

Mamta Singh has also impleaded Asif Hamid Khan Member (Executive Bench-III) J&K Special Tribunal as party respondent in the

Singh wife of Dr. Nirmal Singh has prayed for quashing the order of the Tribunal dated May 17, 2024.

# Secretary Atal Dulloo on Thursday reviewed the

Kisan Khidmat Ghar, Youth Skill Apps

## SRINAGAR:

progress achieved in the IT initiatives being taken up by the UT administration in collaboration with Bhaskaracharya National Institute for Space Applications and Geo-informatics (BISAG-N) during a meeting held here.

The meeting was attended Additional Secretary, Forest Ecology and Environment, Principal Agriculture, Principal Secretary Higher Education, Commissioner



besides other concerned offi-The initiatives reviewed in

the meeting included JK Samadhan, Kisan Khidmat Ghar App and J&K Youth

overview of the progress made in the collaborative initiatives besides taking stock of the functionalities

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Skill and Entrepreneurship

The Chief Secretary had an

# Almost 90 pc LS candidates in

# J&K forfeit security deposits

SRINAGAR: Nearly 90 percent of the candidates vying for the five Lok Sabha seats in Jammu and Kashmir lost their security deposits, unable to garner one-sixth of the votes polled in their respective constituencies.

The voters gave a decisive mandate to the eventual winners on all but one Lok Sabha constituency in the union territory, the Election Commission data revealed. Out of 100 candidates in

the fray, 89 lost their security deposits, the data showed. Sheikh Abdul Rashid, an Independent contender who defeated political heavyweights -- former chief minister Omar Abdullah and People's Conference president Sajad Gani Lone -- in was the sole winning candidate who secured less than 50 per cent of the total votes polled, with a vote share of 45.70 per cent. Baramulla is the only con-

stituency in Jammu and Kashmir where the third placed candidate -- Sajad Gani Lone --" was able to save his security deposit. Lone had polled 16.76 per-

cent votes against the requirement of 16.34 percent for saving the security While National Conference

leader Aga Roohullah Mehdi got the highest percentage of votes at 52.85, BJP's Jugal Kishore who made a hattrick win from Jammu Lok sabha seat," garnered 52.80 per cent of the votes.

and Union Minister Jitendra Singh, who also won for the third time in a row, got 51.28 per cent votes while NC's Mian Altaf Ahmad, who defeated former chief minister Mehbooba Mufti from Anantnag-Rajouri secured 50.85 percent votes.

Ghulam Nabi Azad's Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP) was routed at the hustings as all three of its candidates lost their security deposit. In fact, none of his party candidates managed to secure even four per cent of the Ghulam Mohammad

Udhampur Lok Sabha seat, received 3.56 per cent of

Saroori, who contested from

District Jammu.

costs of Rs 10 lakh on Mamta Singh, for the serious misconduct involving criminal contempt of Court

petition.

The petitioner Mamta

### JK BJP Chief counters Omar's remarks on LG. says he worked hard for region's prosperity ■ STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir BJP president

Ravinder Raina on Thursday said Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha has worked hard for the prosperity of the Union territory.

Raina's remarks came in response to a post on X by National Conference vice president Omar Abdullah in which he said that Sinha had not only failed Jammu and Kashmir but had also undermined the BJP in his home constituency of Ghazipur.

Speaking to reporters here, Raina said, "The political remarks are meant for politics. But Omar Abdullah knows it well that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has built a new and happy Jammu and Kashmir where everyone, including marginalised sections, have been given their rights. This effort has resulted in record polling (in the Lok Sabha polls). Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha has worked hard to make J&K a prosperous region.

Abdullah knows well the difficult situation that Jammu and Kashmir faced in the past, the BJP leader said. Former Dy Chief Ministers

Nirmal Singh and Kavinder Gupta, General Secretaries Adv. Vibodh Gupta and Dr. Devinder Kumar Manyal besides Chief Spokesperson Adv. Sunil Sethi were present on the occasion.

"People saw the worst times during strikes and shutdowns when schools,

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