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India will emerge victorious in case of any war: Rajnath

'PoK part of Indian Territory; will continue to be so'



UU 16th Punyatithi of Dr Suresh Awasthi

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh during an event organised to commemorate Kargil Vijay Diwas in Jammu on Sunday

Joint theatre commands of tri-services in offing

JAMMU: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Sunday said the Centre has decided to set up joint theatre commands of the tri-services to enhance coordination among the armed forces.

The defence minister also said India is moving quickly from being the world's largest importer of defence equipment to an exporter.

He was speaking during a programme organised by the Jammu Kashmir People's Forum at Gulshan Ground near Jammu University here to pay tributes to the martyrs of the Indian Armed Forces. "Keeping in view (joint opera-■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

Get ready for assembly elections, Rajnath tells J&K BJP leaders ■ STATE TIMÉS NEWS

JAMMU: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Sunday asked leaders of the Jammu and Kashmir BJP to get ready for assembly elections in the Union territory, party sources said.

Singh said this while holding a meeting with J&K BJP leaders here to discuss a host of issues, including the political situation in the UT,

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Murmu to take oath as **President of India today**

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STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Droupadi Murmu will become the 10th successive president to take oath on July 25 since 1977. Records show that since

have taken oath on July 25. India's first President Rajendra Prasad took oath on January 26, 1950 -- the day India became a Republic. In 1952, he went on to win

the first presidential poll. He

1977, successive presidents

won the second presidential election and was in office till May 1962.

Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan took oath as the president on May 13, 1962 and was in office till May 13, 1967.

Two presidents -- Zakir Husain and Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed -- could not complete their tenures as they died in harness. Neelam Sanjiva Reddy, the sixth president

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Modern 'Gandhi' on hunger strike in Tihar Jail



Understandably, on Friday, Jammu Kashmir Liberation Front Chief and the alleged killer of scores of Indians, all Hindus, Yasin Malik, fond of calling himself 'Gandhi', began a

hunger strike in the Tihar Jail, New Delhi, alleging that he was not given a fair trial. The allegation is yet another brazen lie by hardcore separatist, who is serving life term for cases including funding terrorism. He must be having his own philosophy behind spreading lies on their auspicious day of Friday. Is the hunger strike permissible in Islam? According to Perlis Mufti Datuk Dr Juanda Jaya, in the article Orang Islam dilarang sertai mogok lapar, appearing in Malaysian Bar; Badan Peagan Malaysia on May 25, 2009, stressed

that Muslims were forbidden to go on

Buddhist and Hindu practices. Yasin Malik's move has evoked no reaction from Kashmiri separatists or mainstreamists. The hunger strike drama, therefore, should be seen as a tacit ploy to make ground for his 'respectable return back to public life' in the event of any non-BJP government coming to power in Delhi in the near future.

Yasin Malik and his sympathizers, however, preferred to keep secret certain facts related to his case in a Delhi NIA Court. Like, he had pleaded guilty; was represented by R. M Tufail, who met some accident and represented himself in the court before being provided amicus curiae Akhand Pratap. This makes difference between the modern version of Gandhi and Mahatma Gandhi, who always spoke truth, however bitter it would have been. In the first instance, mere comparison between a terrorist and the world's tallest Messiaha of nonviolence is ridiculous. In fact, serious comparisons were made by pseudo secularists and self styled activists. Sunanda Vashisht, an eminent Explorer, Political Commentator and Chronicler, in her tweet wrote "Fact check-Yasin Malik called himself Gandhian and declared he was like Gandhi. The Indian press was quick to make comparisons. They said just like Gandhi lived amongst Dalits, Yasin lived in Maisuma in a poor locality. All this is well documented. A simple Google search will help.'

The euphoric and 'motivated' media is blaring up the event of the hunger strike as a major event in Indian politics. This is nothing new. A section of the Indian intelligentsia, media and activists worked overtime in projecting Yasin Malik as the modern Gandhi or strongest proponent of Gandhian philosophy. The backchannel 'projection campaign' succeeded as the projection-■ CONTD ON PAGE 9 ists got a red

STATE TIMES NEWS Soil of J&K worshipable: Dattatreva Hosabale JAMMU: Defence Minister Rajnath

JAMMU: For the first time in the history of Jammu and Kashmir, the families of Singh on Sunday said India is wellequipped to give a befitting reply to the martyrs were honored with a collective tribute to about two thousand bravehearts of the UT who made sacrifices from 1947 till today. In this connection, a "anyone who casts an evil eye on us" and grand function was organized by Jammu and Kashmir People's Forum at Gulshan expressed confidence that the country will emerge victorious in case of any war. Ground, Gandhi Nagar on Sunday to commemorate 75 years of Independence and Pitching for reclaiming Pakistan-occu-Kargil Vijay Diwas. Sarkaryavah of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh, Dattatreya pied Kashmir (PoK), Singh said that it Hosabale was the special guest and the Defense Minister Rajnath Singh was the is a part of India and will continue to chief guest at the function

Over 25000 people, including the families of the martyrs, ex-servicemen, ex- officers of para-military forces, ex-servicemen, ex-servicemen and officers of Jammu and Kashmir Police participated in the function. Sarkaryavah Dattatreya Hosabale of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh, Defense Minister Rajnath Singh honored families of martyrs by presenting them with shawls and mementos.

On this occasion, Param Vir Chakra winner Captain Bana Singh, retired Justice Pramod Kohli, former DGP Dr SP Vaid, retired Lt. General VK Chaturvedi, Lt. General (retired) Rakesh Kumar Sharma, Lt. General (retired) SK Gosain, Lt. General(retired) LR Sadotra, Major General (retired) SK Sharma, former IPS officer Sachchidanand Srivastava, former DRDO DG ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

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organised to commemorate Kargil Vijay

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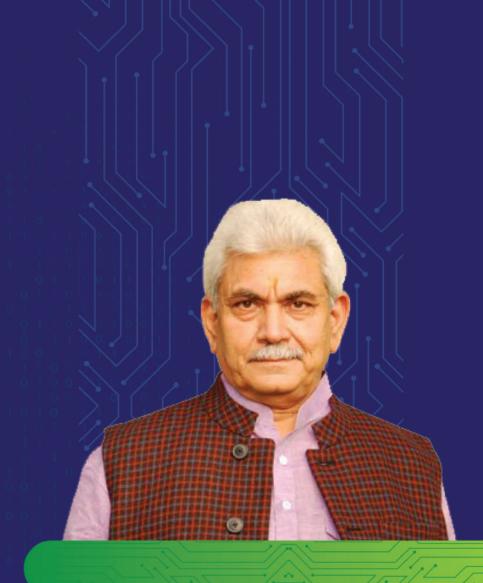








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