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Fight against terrorism in J&K in last stage: Modi

Congress biggest opponent of Constitution

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday asserted that the fight against terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir is in its last stage, and a multi-pronged strategy has been adopted to destroy the remaining terror network.

Speaking in the Rajya Sabha, the prime minister emphasised that terror incidents have declined in the Union Territory in the last 10 years.

"Terror and separatism are ending and the citizens of Jammu and Kashmir are leading this fight, he said.

"Our fight against terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir, in a way, is in last stage, last leg. We are moving with a multi-pronged strategy to eliminate the remaining terror network there," Modi said.

Replying to the Motion of Thanks on the President's address, the prime minister said that during the past sev-



eral decades, shutdowns, strikes, terrorist threats and attempts to carry out bomb blasts have been kind of a dark shadow on democracy.

"This time people have decided their fate with unwavering faith in the Constitution. I especially congratulate the voters of Jammu and Kashmir," he said.

He also noted that tourism activities were on the rise and making new records and that investment too was increasing.

Modi highlighted that the voting figures in the recent Lok Sabha elections in Jammu and Kashmir are going to break the records of the last four decades.

"They accept the Constitution of India, the democracy of India, the Election Commission of India. This is a huge success," he said.

Launching a blistering attack on the Congress party, the Prime Minister accused it

'I've given full freedom to agencies to take strongest action against corruption': PM

NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday vowed further crackdown on corruption and black money, saying the government has given "full freedom" to the probe agencies for taking strongest action against the corrupt.

The prime minister said no one will be spared in the crackdown.

He also took pot shot at the Congress for first levelling serious allegations with evidence against the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) and later forming an alliance with it to fight the Lok Sabha elections.

Replying to the Motion of Thanks on the President's address, Modi asserted that taking action against corruption is a mission for the NDA government and not a matter of electoral gains.

"I want to state without hesitation and also tell the countrymen that I have given full freedom to the agencies to take the strongest action against the corrupt and corruption. The government will not interfere anywhere," the prime minister said.

"Yes, they (probe agencies) should

Nadda to visit Jammu on July 6 to set party into motion for assembly elections

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: BJP national president and Union Minister J P Nadda will visit Jammu on July 6 to set the party into motion by announcing plans for the upcoming assembly polls in Jammu and Kashmir.

Nadda, who will receive a warm reception in Jammu following the BJP's third consecutive victory, will review the party's operations.

This move is crucial as the Election Commission of India (ECI) begins updating the electoral rolls in the Union Territory, paving the way for the assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir along with other states.

"Nadda is arriving in Jammu to assess the party's functioning and discuss strategies for the upcoming assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir," Jammu and Kashmir Bharatiya Janata Party



(BJP) chief Ravinder Raina told PTI.

Upon his arrival, Nadda will address the BJP's executive meeting starting on July 5 to be attended by over 2,000 senior party leaders and officials. The agenda includes reviewing operations, election strategies and planning future actions related to the elections.

Accompanying Nadda will be J&K election in-charge G. Kishan Reddy. He is expected to announce the election-

Dr Jitendra appointed Member Cabinet Committee on Accommodation



STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh has been appointed as a member of the Cabinet Committee on Accommodation which was constituted here on Wednesday by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The Cabinet Committee on Accommodation will include

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, Home Minister Amit Shah, MoRTH Minister Nitin Gadkari, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitaraman, Urban Minister Manohar Lal Khattar and Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal.

Pertinent to mention that the Cabinet Committee on Accommodation is mandated with the task of deciding appropriate bungalow or apartment accommodation for the Ministers, MPs as well as other official dignitaries seeking accommodation in the vicinity of Parliament House and other important Govt of India offices in the union capital zone.

Army Chief reviews security situation along LoC in J&K; meets DGP, other police officers

STATE TIMES NEWS
POONCH/JAMMU: Army Chief Gen Upendra Dwivedi reviewed the security situation along the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu and Kashmir on Wednesday and exhorted the troops to remain steadfast to meet all security challenges, officials said.

This was his first visit to the Jammu region after taking charge as the 30th chief of the Indian Army on June 30 and it assumes significance in view of the ongoing Amarnath Yatra and massive anti-terror operations underway, especially in the hilly



districts.

The Army chief reached Jammu in the morning and flew to the border district of Poonch to review the security

Farooq chairs NC working group meeting to deliberate on J&K assembly polls

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: National Conference (NC) president Farooq Abdullah chaired a working group meeting of the party on Wednesday to deliberate on several issues, including the upcoming assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir.

The NC working group meeting, known as the 'Majlis-e-Amila', was convened at the party's headquarters Nawa-i-Subah here, the party said in a statement.

The meeting will continue on Thursday as well with a focus on strategising and charting a course for the assembly elections, it added.

NC vice-president Omar Abdullah, general secretary Ali Muhammad Sagar and other senior leaders attended the meeting.

"The discussions held during the meeting are sure to pave the way for a strong and united front as the National Conference gears up for the upcoming electoral battle. The commitment and dedication of the working group members present at the Majlis-e-Amila exemplified the unwavering resolve to uphold the values and principles that the National Conference stands for," the statement read.

Heatwave grips Kashmir, Srinagar hotter than Kolkata

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Kashmir is currently under the grip of a heat wave with day temperatures at various places soaring to record-high, even as some respite is likely ahead this week, officials said on Wednesday.

On Tuesday, Srinagar city, at 34.6 degrees Celsius, was hotter than Kolkata, which registered a maximum temperature of 31 degrees Celsius.

The city recorded the season's hottest day on Tuesday. In the last decade, this was the second highest maximum temperature recorded in the month of July, the officials said.

On July 18, 2021, the city recorded the highest maximum temperature, 35 degrees Celsius, in July in the last decade.

Meanwhile, the maximum temperature recorded on Tuesday at most places in the valley was around five degrees above the normal, the officials said. Srinagar city's maximum

Misappropriation of funds: FIR registered against officials of RDD Block Dachhan

STATE TIMES NEWS
KISHITWAR: J&K Anti-Corruption Bureau registered FIR (01/2024) under section 5(1)(c), 5(1)(d) r/w section 5(2) of JK PC Act Svt. 2006 and section 120-B RPC at P/S ACB Doda against officers/officials of Rural Development Department Block Dachhan, District Kishtwar namely Parveen Sharma son of Lt. Sain Dass, resident of H.No 5-B Lane No 12 Greater Kailash Jammu the then BDO Block Dachhan, Mohd Abass son of Ghulam Mohd Wani, resident of Sounder Dachhan then VLV

Panchayat Loharna-B and Janakpur, Mohd Hussain, son of Sadullah Akhoun, resident of Sounder Tehsil Dachhan the then VLV Loharna-B, Munshi Ram, son of Mangat Ram, resident of Janakpur Tehsil Dachhan the then VLV Panchayat Janakpur, Ranjeet Raina, son of Bal Krishan resident of Janakpur Tehsil Dachhan the then GRS Panchayat Loharna-B and Janakpur, Daleep Kumar, son of Bal Krishan resident of Panjdihara Dachhan the then GRS Panchayat Loharna-B, Asif Hussain, son of Lal Din, resident of Tachhana,

Sarpanch Panchayat Janakpur and others on the basis of a Preliminary Enquiry (PE) conducted into allegations that Asif Hussain, Sarpanch Janakpur in connivance with the officers/officials of Rural Development Department Dachhan.

The verification conducted reveals that the officers/officials of Rural Development Department Dachhan under will-knit conspiracy with each other and beneficiaries, dishonestly and fraudulently abused their official positions to misappropriate

Assembly Election 2024: Sapna Kotwal to assist SVEEP prog

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), UT of Jammu and Kashmir asked Sapna Kotwal, JKAS, Secretary, J&K Advisory Board for Development of Pahari Speaking People to look after the Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) activities for upcoming General Assembly Election, 2024.

"As you have lot of experience of SVEEP activity. Your experience and exemplary work in the Lok Sabha elections 2024 have not gone unnoticed. Your strategic

India emerging as world champion in field of drones: Chugh

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: Bharatiya Janata Party National General Secretary Tarun Chugh on Wednesday said that India is emerging as a global winner in the field of drone technology.

"Under the leadership of Yashasvi Narendra Modi, the central government is actively working in the drone sector, and the power of drones will play a crucial role

in the Prime Minister's vision of developed India", Chugh said in his keynote address at the International Innovation Conclave, organized by PHD Chambers and AITMCS Ventures in Delhi.

The stalwarts of the global drone industry were present in the Conclave.

Chugh said that in the coming times, drones will contribute 2 per cent to India's GDP and will create new opportunities for 5 lakh jobs.

Former Army Chief Dalbir Singh, CEO of NSDC Ved Muni Tiwari, Deepak Singhal, Ranjit Mehta, and Chairman of AITMCS Deep Singh were also present at the event.

Security situation fully under control in J&K: DGP



STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Director General of Police (DGP) R R Swain said on Wednesday that law-enforcement agencies and security forces have full control of the Union Territory's security situation.

The DGP maintained that the degree of fear is significantly less compared to

Security situation fully under control in J&K: DGP

three-four years ago and emphasised that the law-and-order situation is much better in Kashmir now, as evident from the successful conduct of the Lok Sabha polls.

"The truth is that even now, law-enforcement and security forces have control and the upper hand (in the security situation in Jammu and

- ▶▶ Massive participation of people in recent Lok Sabha election itself proves that there is huge improvement in Law and order situation in Kashmir valley
- ▶▶ Any ideology promoting violence can never be tolerated
- ▶▶ 960 fresh pass out jawans who are from border villagers have been deputed in border. They will be working only on anti infiltration and anti terrorism at the border areas

Kashmir). To maintain orderliness, the pressure is being maintained (on the terror ecosystem)," he told reporters here.

Responding to questions on the deteriorating security situation in Jammu and Kashmir, Swain said, "Questions are always being asked that how can we say the security situation is better when incidents are taking place? There is fear among

Over 30,000 pilgrims visit Amarnath shrine, total number crosses 1 lakh



STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: More than 30,000 pilgrims paid obeisance at the Amarnath cave shrine in the south Kashmir Himalayas on Wednesday, taking the total number of devotees who have had 'darshan' of the naturally formed ice lingam so far to over one lakh, officials said.

The Amarnath Yatra began on Saturday from the twin tracks -- the traditional 48-km Nunwan-Pahalgam route in Anantnag and the 14-km shorter but steeper Baltal route in Ganderbal.

"A total of 30,586 pilgrims performed the yatra on Wednesday and had darshan of Baba Bholenath on the fifth day of the

WEATHER

Temperature (Jammu)
Max: 36.6°C Min: 29.7°C

Humidity
Max: 70 Min: 61

Temperature (Srinagar)
Max: 35.6°C Min: 21.0°C

Humidity
Max: 59 Min: 30

Sunset: 19:42 Hours
Sunrise: 05:27 Hours