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PM Modi stands tallest amongst the world leaders: LG Sinha



Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, J&K LG Manoj Sinha, Dy Chairman of Rajya Sabha Harivansh Narayan Singh during launch of book 'The Architect of the New BJP: How Narendra Modi Transformed the Party'.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Monday attended the book release function of 'The Architect of the new BJP: How Narendra Modi Transformed The Party', authored by Ajay Singh and launched by Minister of Defence, Raj Nath Singh, at New Delhi.

Congratulating the veteran Journalist and the author of the book, Ajay Singh, the Lt Governor

► PM Modi is epitome of politics of grace, moral values and has restored personal and political morality in public life: LG

► PM has shaped a new era of Indian politics with his solemn focus on development of last man on the ladder of development: LG

► Through his Bottom Up approach in administration and converting individuals as stakeholders in development journey, PM has ensured public-centric polity in country: LG

lauded the author for his in-depth research for bringing out various

aspects related to the journey of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who stands tallest amongst world's leaders and has changed the discourse of the Indian Politics.

I would also like to add another aspect to this - in Narendra Modi, the country has got a Prime Minister who is epitome of politics of grace and moral values and has restored personal and political morality in public life, the Lt Governor added.

The book aptly explores the leadership and organizational skills of our Prime Minister, depicting the unique Modi phenomena in governance, organizational set up and reveals how he has singlehandedly changed the Indian Politics.

Hundreds of books have been written on Prime Minister and all the authors have worked very hard, but Ajay Singh has touched the lesser known facts about PM Modi and his connect with common masses, observed the Lt Governor.

After independence, there were many leaders in India who left their mark on Indian politics and contributed towards the development of the country. But the way, Prime Minister Narendra Modi as a world leader, as a party builder, as a statesman and as

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Ailing Congress taking medicines from compounders, not doctors: Azad



MODI DISPLAYED HUMANITY

NEW DELHI: Former Congress leader Ghulam Nabi Azad on Monday said he had assumed Prime Minister Narendra Modi to be a "crude man" but he had displayed humanity while recalling a terror-related incident during the farewell speech for Azad in Rajya Sabha.

After Azad quit the Congress, the party had alleged that he was "Modi-fied" and several leaders attacked him citing Modi's speech in Rajya Sabha in February last year in which the teary-eyed prime minister had praised Azad as a "true friend".

Modi had recalled the 2007 terror attack in Jammu and Kashmir on a bus carrying people from his state Gujarat when he was the chief minister and his interaction with Azad, who was then the chief minister of J-K.

Speaking to reporters, Azad said Modi's emotional speech at his retirement was given a different

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Four more Congress leaders, 12 AP workers resign in J&K in support of Azad

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

KATHUA/JAMMU: Four more Congress leaders, including former deputy speaker of the Jammu and Kashmir Assembly Gulam Hyder Malik, and a dozen prominent workers of the Apni Party resigned from their respective parties on Monday in support of veteran politician Ghulam Nabi Azad.

Azad (73), a former Jammu and Kashmir chief minister, ended his five-decade association with the Congress on Friday, saying the party was "comprehensively destroyed" and lashing out at Rahul Gandhi for "demolishing" its entire con-

sultative mechanism.

Malik, a former Congress MLA from Kathua's Bani, and two former MLCs -- Subash Gupta from Kathua and Sham Lal Bhagat from Doda -- separately forwarded their resignation letters to the party high-command.

"We have received the letters (of support) from Malik, Gupta and Bhagat," Azad's close aide and former minister G M Saroori said.

General secretary of the Jammu and Kashmir Congress Maheshwar Singh Manhas also resigned from the party in support of Azad.

In a related development, 12 workers of the Apni

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BJP holds district Core Group meetings Chugh asks leaders to conduct organisational activities at grass root level



BJP National General Secretary and Prabhari J&K Tarun Chugh accompanied by J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina, General Secretary (Org.) Ashok Koul during a meeting in Jammu.

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JAMMU: BJP National General Secretary and Prabhari J&K Tarun Chugh accompanied by J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina,

General Secretary (Org.) Ashok Koul, Seh-Prabhari J&K BJP Ashish Sood, along with former Dy CM Dr. Nirmal Singh, Vice-President Shakti Raj

Parihar, General Secretary Sunil Sharma, General Secretary Dr. Devinder Kumar Manyal and other senior party leaders addressed series of meetings

held at party headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.

Senior party leaders from districts Ramban, Kishtwar, Doda, Kathua, Billaوار, RS Pura and Samba participated in series of Core Group Meetings.

Tarun Chugh, while addressing the meetings, held intense interactions with the senior party leaders from every district.

He asked them to conduct every organisational activity at the grass root level.

He instructed them to hold continuous meetings with the party workers to know

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Govt to allocate funds under CSS, UT CapEx for tribal welfare proportionate to their population: CS

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Chief Secretary, Dr Arun Kumar Mehta on Monday chaired the meeting of State Executive Committee for Tribal Plan and UT Level Coordination Committee meeting for approval of a number of tribal

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NEET-PG counselling deferred, likely to be held in third week of Sept

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: The Union Health Ministry on Monday deferred the NEET-PG counselling for admission to postgraduate medical courses, which was scheduled to begin from September 1, to allow the National Medical Commission to complete the process of adding new

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WEATHER
Temperature (Jammu)
Max: 33.8°C Min: 24.9°C
Humidity
Max: 75 Min: 71
Temperature (Srinagar)
Max: 29.0°C Min: 16.2°C
Humidity
Max: 81 Min: 57
Sunset : 19:01 Hours
Sunrise : 06:05 Hours

New mechanism for listing of matters in SC soon: CJI

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: A new mechanism for the listing of matters will be devised soon, Chief Justice of India U U Lalit said on Monday, his first working day in the Supreme Court as the CJI.

He asked lawyers to mention cases for urgent hearings before the registrar rather than requesting the first court to entertain such pleas.

"We will have a new mechanism by Thursday. Till then, we will look at it in chamber and if urgent we will list it

For mentioning, we will go back to the original practice of mentioning before the registrar," the CJI said.

The observation came after Solicitor General Tushar Mehta sought to know about the mechanism of mentioning the matters before the bench.

As the bench headed by the chief justice of India commenced proceedings for the day, Mehta welcomed CJI Lalit and assured him of full support from the government. Senior advocate Dushyant Dave also wished

the CJI on behalf of the entire bar.

Over 900 petitions, including 60 PILs, were listed before the top court on Monday along with pleas against the Karnataka High Court verdict that wearing hijab by women doesn't form an essential part of religious practice in Islam.

CJI Lalit, who was holding the bench along with Justice S Ravindra Bhat, heard 62 petitions out of which 10 were Public Interest Litigations.

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Surrendered terrorist detained under PSA, lodged in Kot Bhalwal Jail

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

BANIHAL/JAMMU: A surrendered terrorist was detained under Public Safety Act (PSA) for his alleged involvement in anti-national and anti-social activities in Ramban district, and lodged in Kot Bhalwal Jail in Jammu, officials said on Monday.

The order for the detention of Mohammad Amin Wani, a resident of Bankoot village of Banihal, under PSA was issued by Ramban District Magistrate on August 25, stating that his activities

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PIL regarding filling-up various posts in police DB directs filing updated status report regarding vacancies, steps taken to fill-up

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: In a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) regarding filling of various posts in the police force, a Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court comprising Chief Justice Pankaj Mithal and Justice Wasim Sadiq Nagral observed that the Court vide order dated 26.05.2022 has requested D C Raina, Advocate General, to file updated status report regarding vacancies and the steps taken to fill them.

DB further observed that AG D C Raina possesses the complete chart of the work done in this regard, but it would be better if the said information is brought on record by means of an affidavit of a senior officer. DB granted month's time to file the affidavit. It is worthwhile to mention here that a suo moto PIL was registered on the directions of Supreme Court. On March 11, the top court of the country, while disposing of a writ petition titled Manish Kumar versus

Union of India and others had said the issue and problems involved in the matter are State specific and can be appropriately dealt with by the respective High Courts. The Apex Court had said the records pertaining to each of the States including affidavits and other material be sent by the Registry of the concerned High Courts with a request to the Chief Justice of the High Court to entertain the matter on the Judicial Side as suo

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No impact of Jammu Bandh in most of areas; BAJ holds protests, burns tyres

Most of the business establishments, traffic, educational institutions functioned normally

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Jammu Bandh called by J&K Bar Association on Monday had no impact in most of the areas, even as the lawyers held protests and burnt tyres at various places in support of their demand for a multipurpose building complex to house all tribunals, registration offices and commissions here.

While transport was easily available to passengers, travelling by trains, the eateries adjoining the Railway Station functioned normally. The public and private transport plied smoothly across the City. Educational institutions and offices functioned as per routine while the movement of heavy vehicular traffic on the inter-district roads plied as usual. The



Shops opened in a Jammu market on Monday; Jammu Bar Association members holding protest at Janipur: (more pics on page 9)

shops and business establishments were shut in some areas of the

main city, it was business as normal in other parts.

The market places in Satwari, Gangyal, Miran Sahib, Akhnoor,

City North, Narwal fruit and vegetable market were humming with

normal activities. Reports of usual business and other activities were received from Miransahib RS Pura and Nagrota though bandh has partial impact in North and South Zone.

Led by Bar association president M K Bhardwaj, hundreds of lawyers took out a rally from the high court complex and held demonstrations at Janipur against the administration.

They blocked the road and burnt tyres to enforce a shutdown call given by them in support of their long pending demand, which, however, had partial impact.

"We have given a bandh call in support of the fulfillment of our demands. It was decided at a civil society meeting. We appeal to all the people of

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