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Maa Brahmcharini

Second incarnation of

Maa Durga is called

Brahmcharini. It comprises of

two words, 'Brahm' which means meditation while

'Charini' stands for

implementation of character of meditation. She is also called

'Uma'. She has got a Kamandal (Vessel) in her left hand while

'Mala' (string of beads) in the

right. Worshipper of this Devi gets power to resist and fight

under all odds. Mantra of

Goddess Brahmcharini to be recited nine times is :-

"Om Hreeng Aing Bhagwati Brahmcharini

Mum Sarwam Sarv

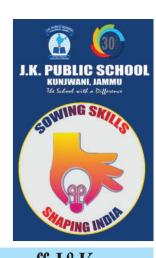
Shatroon Vash Manay Thaa Thaa Swaha."

ॐ ह्रीं ऐं भगवती

ब्रह्मचारिणी मम सर्वम् सर्व

शत्रून वश मानय ठा ठा स्वाहा

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CAT stays selection process for Foresters (Jammu Div)

NABARD's National Level Exhibition 'Gramya 2022' begins at Kala Kendra

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'Democratic Azad Party' launched

Youth, women to get 50 pc tickets in Assembly poll: Azad

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Former Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Ghulam Nabi Azad on Monday launched his new party the Democratic Azad Party (DAP) - coinciding with the first day of Navratri festival, exactly a month after ending his over fivedecade long association with the Congress.

Azad, 73, also unveiled the party's flag that has three strips of mustard, white and dark blue colours, and said the priority of the new party will be its registration with the Election Commission, though it will continue its activities because assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir can be declared anytime.

Announcing 50 per cent tickets to youth and women in the next assembly polls, Azad said he will not make the restoration of Article 370 an election issue in Jammu



Former J&K CM Ghulam Nabi Azad launching his party 'Democratic Azad Party' in Jammu on Monday.

The former union minister also said there will be no discrimination on the basis of religion. Our policies will not be impacted by sectarianism or religion. Everyone is free whether he is going to a Temple, Mosque, Gurdwara

"I am launching DAP from here today. It symbolises democracy and freedom of speech and thought. Our ideology will be based on the ideals of Mahatma Gandhi." Azad, flanked by a large group of supporters

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J&K SI Exam Scam: CBI raids New Krishna

Hotel, owner's house at Chand Nagar

Jammu Admn appeals citizens to update Aadhaar Card information

STATE TIMES NEWS

Commissioner, Avny Lavasa, Jammu on Monday appealed to the citizens to update information in their respective Aadhaar Cards in case of change of address.

The Deputy Commissioner "The government launched the individual Aadhaar card programme nearly 12 years ago. Many citizens have changed

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J&K emerges best performing UT for enrolment under AB-PMJAY

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: With substantial health insurance coverage to populace of the Union Territory, Jammu and Kashmir has bagged best performing Union Territory category for enrolment under Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY). Union Health and Family

Welfare Minister, Mansukh Mandaviya, presented

Advisor Bhatnagar flags-off J&K contingent for 36th National Games

Air surcharge 50 paisa for Leh



Grand decoration at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine with onset of Navratras.

Mehta inaugurates Navratra festival at Katra

Vaishno Devi Shrine Board, Anshul Garg; DC, Reasi,

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

KATRA: Chief Secretary, Dr Arun Kumar Mehta on Monday inaugurated the Navratra Festival 2022 in a ence ofCommissioner. Tourism,

glittering function here at Yog Ashram, Katra in pres-Divisional Jammu. Ramesh Kumar, Director Jammu,

accessing the question paper

before commencement of the

The CBI registered FIR on

August 3 on the request of

J&K Government against 33

accused, including the then

Medical Officer, BSF

examination.

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all important guests by presentation of Mata ki Chunaries. A colourful cultural and devotional program

senior officers.

Babila Rakwal besides other vibrant performances. Also, a Laser Show on Mata Ki The inaugural ceremony Kahani was displayed which was well appreciated by the was marked with traditional puja and formal reception of Dr Mehta, who was Chief

Guest on the occasion said that the administration is dedicated towards CONTD ON PAGE 9

artist groups which mesmer-

ized the public with their

Decision on PoK should have been taken during 1971 Indo-Pak war: Rajnath Singh

STATE TIMES NEWS

SHIMLA: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Monday said that decision or Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) should have been taken during 1971 war between India and the neighbouring coun-

try.
The defence minister said this while addressing a function to honour martyrs' families at Badoli in Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh.

Govt blocks 45 videos on 10 YouTube channels: Thakur

STATE TIMES NEWS NEW DELHI: Government has ordered the blocking of 45 videos from 10 YouTube channels that contained fake news and morphed content with the intent to spread hatred amongst religious communities, Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur said on Monday

The blocked videos had a cumulative viewership of over 1.30 crore and claimed that the government had taken away the religious rights of certain communities, an official statement said. "These channels had content that spread fear and misconception among communities," Thakur said. An official statement

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"We have recently marked the Golden Jubilee of victory of 1971 war. The 1971 war will be remembered in the history as the war fought for the humanity instead of

"There is only one regret. The decision on PoK should have been taken at that time itself," he said.

property, possession or power," Singh

Singh also attended a

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: In continuation to

the investigations into the irregularities in the recruitment process of Sub-Inspectors in Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory, the CBI on Monday conducted searches at New Krishna Hotel owned by one Sanjay Kumar Dutta, resident of 69, Chand Nagar, Jewel Chowk,

The teams conducted simultaneous raids at his informed that a large number of incriminating material has been recovered from his possession.

Earlier, the CBI had searched 36 locations, including the premises of former Jammu & Kashmir Services Selection Board (JKSSB) Chairman Khalid Jahangir, premises JKSSB Controller

Examinations Ashok Kumar. Besides Jahangir and Kumar, the premises of their associates at Haryana,

serving/retired officials of Jammu & Kashmir Police, including a DvSP and CRPF officials were also searched in on-going investigation of a case related to the recruitment scam.

Incriminating documents and digital evidence have so far been recovered during searches, the CBI said.

The CBI probe has revealed that the candidates were made to pay Rs 15 to Rs 20 lakh to the accused for

Jaish terrorist killed in

on March 27 and ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

former CRPF official.

Paloura, Dr Karnail Singh; Ashok Kumar, ASI, J&K Police; and Ashwani Kumar,

Headquarters,

The examination took place

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ACB nabs ASI red handed while accepting bribe STATE TIMES NEWS counsel.

JAMMU: The

Corruption Bureau (ACB) on Monday evening trapped and arrested an Assistant Sub Inspector (ASI) for accepting bribe of Rs. 10,000 from the complainant.

The ACB received a complaint through helpline alleging therein that Assistant Sub Inspector (ASI) Muzamil posted at Police Station Bakshi Nagar is demanding bribe for providing a report to the court on an application moved by complainant through his

The ACB said that the contents of the complaint prima

facie disclosed the commission of the offence as defined under section 7 of the P.C Act 1988. Accordingly, an FIR was registered at Police Station ACB against ASI Muzamil posted at Police Station Bakshi Nagar.

"During the investigation, a trap team was constituted. The trap team caught ASI red-handed near the gate of Bakshi Nagar Police Station while demanding and

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house and hotel. Sources ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9 Chugh reviews arrangements for Amit Shah's visit

J&K very close to heart of PM, regularly enquires about UT's development: Chugh

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Senior BJP leader and National General Secretary Tarun Chugh on Monday toured north Kashmir and reviewed the arrangements being made for the ensuing visit of Home Minister Amit Shah.

Tarun Chugh asked all the party functionaries to gear up for the visit of the Home Minister and carry out awareness programmes about the policies and programmes of the Government for Jammu and Kashmir.

He also addressed various delegations and gatherings in the district to highlight the achievements of $_{
m the}$ Government and benefits



gathering in Srinagar on Monday.

these programmes are aimed

for the common people. Reiterated the message of Sabka Sath Sabka vishwas of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Tarun Chugh said: "Jammu and Kashmir is very

close to the heart of PM Modi. He always enquires about the pace of developmental in the UT. I, on behalf of everyone, thank Prime Minister Modi Ji

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encounter at Kulgam ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: A Jaish-e-Mohammad terrorist was killed in an encounter with security forces in Kulgam district of Jammu and Kashmir on Monday, police said.

Two civilians and a soldier were also injured in the encounter in the district's Batpora village, they said.

Security forces launched a cordon operation in Batpora following information about the presence of terrorists there, a police official said.

He said the search operation turned into an encounter when the terrorists opened fire at the security forces, who retaliated.

"01 Army soldier & 02 civilians got injured in the ongoing #encounter. All the

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The Jammu and Kashmir Bank Limited Corporate Headquarters Srinagar, J&K, 190001

ATTENTION PLEASE

As per new guidelines from Department of Financial Services (Ministry of Finance), any citizen who is or has been an income-tax payer, shall not be eligible to join Atal Pension Yojana (APY) from 1st October, 2022. In case a subscriber joining APY, on or after 1st October 2022, is subsequently found to have been an Income-Tax payer on or before the date of application, the APY account shall be closed and the accumulated amount till date would be given to

Notably, the new guidelines will not be applicable to the existing APY subscribers/Income-Tax Payers and to prospective subscribers/Income-Tax Payers who will be joining APY till 30th September, 2022. Further, any citizen subscribing APY on or after 1st October, 2022, who is not an Income-Tax Payer on the date of application and subsequently becomes Income-Tax payer; his/her APY account will not be closed. DIP/J-3116-P/22

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IASOWA J&K provides books, sports articles to GMS Dodhi Gujjar Colony STATE TIMES NEWS

the school and would regular-

ly visit the school to assess

the quality of education and

JAMMU: The members of Officers Association (IASOWA), J&K led by President IASOWA, J&K. Dr Amita Mehta on Monday visited Government Middle School Dodhi Gujjar Colony, in zone Purmandal, in connection with donation drive held by the association. President IASOWA, J&K,

Dr Amita Mehta is the wife of Chief Secretary Jammu & Kashmir, Dr Arun Kumar Mehta A number of story books, sports articles, educational

aids, brain games, indoor games etc. were distributed among the students during

Dr Amita Mehta informed



would continue working towards the environment ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9