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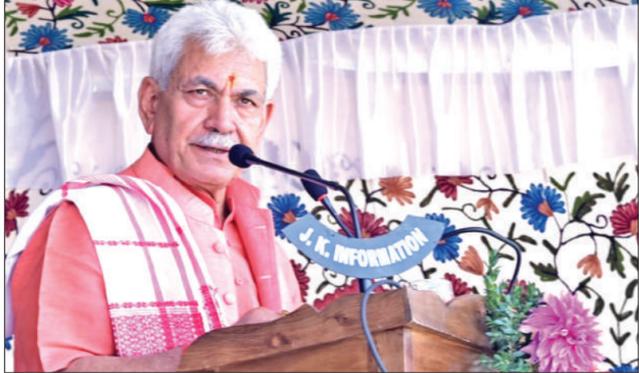
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Unprecedented infra investments shaping J&K's economic growth trajectory: LG



LG Manoj Sinha speaking after inaugurating and laying foundation stones for various development projects in Ganderbal on Tuesday.

STATE TIMES NEWS
GANDERBAL: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Tuesday said that fast-paced development in last four years and unprecedented investments in modern infrastructure is shaping economic growth trajectory of Jammu Kashmir and fulfilling aspiration of the people. Addressing a huge gathering at Qamaria Stadium, after inaugurating

completed 1500 such projects across the UT which was pending for 5 to 20 years, he said. The Lt Governor reiterated the commitment of the UT Administration to remove developmental gaps of several decades to ensure ease of living for citizens. Ganderbal was neglected for too long after it became a separate district. When the country was moving forward towards progress, the people here were deprived of basic facilities. The projects like Bus Terminal Complex at Beehama inaugurated today should have been completed a decade ago, the Lt Governor said. He said the UT Administration has taken several pro-active measures to focus on developmental issues and give a special push through large spectrum of economic activity and issues related to diverse areas are being addressed on priority. We are also making dedicated efforts to tap the growth potential of Ganderbal in tourism sector. Sonmarg is now on the global tourism map and the increased tourist influx has given a boost to the local economy, the Lt Governor said. **CONTD ON PAGE 9**

Search operations underway in border areas of Rajouri, Poonch

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Security forces are conducting cordon and search operations in some areas along the Line of Control in Rajouri and Poonch districts, officials said on Tuesday. The operations were launched on Monday evening following information about the movement of suspected persons, they said. The officials said that the

11 DySPs transferred

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The Director General of Police (DGP), J&K Dilbag Singh on Tuesday transferred 11 Deputy Superintendents of Police (DySPs). According to the PHQ order, Zafar Iqbal Nawaz, SDPO Manjakote has been transferred and posted as DySP JKAP-7th Bn, Syed Zahaer Abbas Jafari, SDPO East Jammu as SDPO Nowshera, Tussif Ahmed, SDPO Nowshera as

Anantnag gunfight over; LeT commander Uzair Khan among 2 terrorists killed

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) commander Uzair Khan was among the two terrorists killed in a gunfight in Anantnag district that ended after seven days. Additional Director General of Police, Kashmir, Vijay Kumar said on Tuesday. Four security personnel, including two army officers and a police officer, lost their lives in the gunfight, which Kumar said is over. "Till now, LeT commander Uzair Khan's body has been recovered. The dead body of another terrorist is visible, but it has not been possible to retrieve it yet," the ADGP told reporters in Anantnag. He said the gunfight, which began in the Gadole forest area of the south Kashmir district on Wednesday last week, is over, but the search operation will continue. "There is a huge area that remains to be searched. There can be a lot of unexploded shells which will be recovered and destroyed. We

LG, Army, police pay tribute to soldier martyred in Anantnag gunfight



LG Manoj Sinha paying tributes to martyr Sep Pardeep Singh.

SRINAGAR: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha led the Army, police and civil administration in paying floral tributes to Sepoy Pardeep Singh, who was martyred during the Anantnag gunfight. The gunfight ended after seven days on Tuesday. "Paid homage to our braveheart Sep Pardeep Singh, martyred during anti-terror operation in Anantnag. I bow to his exemplary courage and sacrifice," **CONTD ON PAGE 9**

Jammu Air Show: IAF planes to fill skies on Sep 21-22

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The Government of Jammu & Kashmir, in collaboration with Air Force Station Jammu, is set to host a spectacular Air Show & Air Awareness Campaign at Air Force Station Jammu on September 21-22. This extraordinary event will feature acrobatic displays by fighter jets, para jumping displays, combat displays by Garud Commandos, helicopter flying showcases and superior drill moves. The air show will dazzle the spectators with the thrilling stunts of the Surya Kiran team, the sleek and speedy Hawk 132 jets and the versa-

AC approves land transfer for Research Center, Anantnag; Milk Processing Center, Budgam

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: The Administrative Council (AC), which met here on Tuesday under the chairmanship of the Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha, approved the transfer of land measuring 500 Kanal 11 Marla at Sallar Anantnag in favour of Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology (SKUAST) Kashmir for establishment of Research Station and additional Krishi Vigyan Kendras. Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to the Lieutenant



LG Manoj Sinha chairing Administrative Council meeting at Srinagar on Tuesday.

Governor; Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief Secretary, J&K and Dr. Mandeep Kumar Bhandari, Principal Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor attended the meeting. The Research Station shall provide scientific technologies to improve productivity

Portal for regular departmental action cases against public servants launched in J&K

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir administration has launched a portal for regular departmental action (RDA) cases initiated against public servants to streamline the procedure laid down for conducting departmental proceedings, a circular stated on Tuesday. It would also help monitor progress of the case for enforcing adherence to prescribed timelines. The portal provides a window for referral of cases from the Anti Corruption Bureau (ACB) to the General Administration Department (GAD) and their further

referral to the departments concerned. "It also provides a window for uploading RDA cases initiated by the departments on their own. The portal shall work as a channel for communication with respect to RDA cases between the GAD and the departments, as also between GAD and ACB," reads a circular issued by Commissioner Secretary, GAD, Sanjeev Verma. He said pursuant to verifications, joint surprise checks, FIRs, preliminary inquiries conducted by investigating agencies the ACB and the crime branch **CONTD ON PAGE 9**

ADGP Jammu Mukesh Singh appointed ITBP IG for 5 years

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: Jammu Zone Additional Director General of Police Mukesh Singh was on Tuesday appointed as the Inspector General of Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) on deputation basis, the Union Home Ministry said. The appointment of Singh, a 1996-batch AGMUT cadre IPS officer, will be for a period of five years from the date of assumption of charge or until further orders, whichever is earlier, the order reads. Singh took over as the Inspector General of Police, Jammu Zone, on August 14, 2019 and was promoted to the rank of Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) on January 20, 2021. In his order, Ministry of Home Affairs under secretary Sanjeev Kumar said the ADGP, Jammu was appointed as IG in ITBP on deputation basis. Kumar requested the Jammu and Kashmir administration to relieve the officer immediately to enable him to take up his new assignments at the centre.

CS sets Gandhi Jayanti as deadline for several initiatives

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Chief Secretary, Dr Arun Kumar Mehta on Tuesday took review of key people oriented initiatives and also arrangements for Meri Maati Mera Desh in presence of Administrative Secretaries, Deputy Commissioners and SSPs. While taking review of the

NC not against Women Reservation Bill: Omar

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: National Conference (NC) is not against the Women Reservation Bill and has no objection if it is implemented, party vice president Omar Abdullah said on Tuesday. "When have we been against women reservation? We ourselves implemented it here in panchayats and other places. We are not against women reservation, 50 per cent of our population is our sisters, mothers, they should get a chance to become representatives of people. We have no objection to this," Abdullah told reporters **CONTD ON PAGE 9**

Ganesh Chaturthi celebrated in Kashmir; idol immersed in Jhelum

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Ganesh Chaturthi was celebrated in Kashmir on Tuesday with religious fervour and the idol of the deity was immersed in the Jhelum river here for the first time after the outbreak of militancy in the valley. The biggest celebration and puja were organised at the Ganpatyar temple in the Habba Kadal area of the city. Special prayers including a 'havan' were held at the temple to mark the birth of Lord Ganesh, Kashmiri pandit leader Sanjay Tickoo told PTI. "Today Vinayaka Chaturthi



Kashmiri Pandits celebrating Ganesh Chaturthi at Ghanpatyar Temple in Srinagar.

was celebrated in Kashmir the way it is observed in Maharashtra and other places of the country. On this day in this Siddhivinayak **CONTD ON PAGE 9**

WEATHER

Temperature (Jammu)
Max: 30.8°C Min: 24.1°C

Humidity
Max: 85 Min: 67

Temperature (Srinagar)
Max: 30.4°C Min: 17.5°C

Humidity
Max: 69 Min: 39

Sunset: 18:27 Hours
Sunrise: 06:11 Hours

Parliament moves into its new home, women's reservation bill takes centre stage

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: In a historic transition, the Parliament moved into a swanky new complex on Tuesday, with Prime Minister Narendra Modi urging MPs to forget all past bitterness and start a new chapter and the introduction of the women's reservation bill taking centre stage. Bidding goodbye to the adjacent colonial era Parliament building, the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha met for the first time in the new home on the second day of the five-day special session during which Modi made an impassioned plea to both houses to unanimously approve the women's reservation bill Narishakti Vandan Adhinyam. The Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty Eighth



A view of Lok Sabha proceedings in new Parliament building on Tuesday.

Amendment) Bill, 2023, which envisages reserving one-third of the seats in Lok Sabha and state assemblies for women, was the first legislative measure to be introduced by the government in the new building, a day after it secured Union Cabinet's approval. Shortly before the introduction of the bill in the Lok Sabha, Modi told the lower house that the government wants more and more women to join the development process of the country. "For that work of giving power to women and for many such noble works, God has chosen me... This date of September 19 is going to be etched in history." The old Parliament building, which has stood for over 96 years as a sentinel of time and a repository of India's democratic journey and where its first prime minister Jawaharlal Nehru delivered his iconic "tryst with destiny" speech to mark India's independence from colonial rule, will now be called the 'Samvidhan Sadan'. The new four-storey triangular shaped complex has been named 'Parliament House of India', according to an official notification. Modi called on MPs to forget all past bitterness and start a new chapter, asserting that whatever they are going to do in the new complex, should be an inspiration for every citizen of the country. "When we are starting a new chapter, we should forget all past bitterness," he said, adding the new Parliament building reflects the aspirations of 140 crore Indians. Parliament, Modi said, is a supreme place to serve the nation. Parliament is not a place to work for growth of a

party but for development of the nation, he added. The prime minister also remembered 'shramjeevis' (labourers) who were part of the construction of the new building. Speaking at the first sitting of the Rajya Sabha, Modi said the women's reservation bill will be taken up for debate in the Lok Sabha on Wednesday. Modi expressed confidence that the bill will finally become law and ensure Narishakti can work towards nation-building with the new energy of the new building. Noting that the Rajya Sabha is considered the Upper House of Parliament, he underlined the intentions of the makers of the Constitution that the House become a centre for serious intellectual discussions rising above the ebb and flow of political discourse while giving a direction to the nation. He described today's occasion as historic and memorable. The House also witnessed heated exchanges between the treasury and opposition benches after Congress leader Mallikarjun Kharge remarked that all political parties only give tickets to those women from backward classes who cannot assert themselves. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman hit back to say the "sweeping statement" of Kharge that all parties do not choose effective women candidates is "absolutely unacceptable". Addressing a function in the Central Hall of the old Parliament building **CONTD ON PAGE 9**