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Air-show to commemorate 76 years of J&K's accession enthralls spectators

IAF is glowing symbol of strength, bravery, dedication: LG



Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha witnessing air show at Jammu on Friday.

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Saluting the Indian Air Force personnel for their magnificent heroism and the spirit of sacrifice and expressing deepest gratitude to the Air Warriors and their Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Friday said that Indian Air Force is a glowing symbol of strength, bravery and dedica-

The Lt Governor stated this while attending the Air

show and Air Awareness Campaign at Air Force Station, Satwari.

The event was jointly organised by Indian Air Force and J&K Government to commemorate 76 years of accession of J&K into Indian Union and Diamond Jubilee Celebration of Air Force Station, Jammu.

Citizens from all walks of life gathered to witness the spectacular aerial display by IAF's Suryakiran Aerobatic

The man's remission plea

was considered by the jail

advisory board nine times.

On three occasions, the

board recommended his pre-

mature release but the

Kerala government rejected

A bench of Justices S

the proposal every time.

Team (SKAT), Air Warrior Drill team, the Aakashganga Daredevil Skydiving team Mi-17 1V and the

The Aircrafts maneuvered in the skies and the Air Warriors exhibited their flying and formation skills to perfection.

Helicopters.

The general public was also sensitized about the hazards for aviation and how can they assist in aviation safety through the first-of-its-kind

Air Show in Jammu.

The Air Show enthralled spectators in the morning even as the event was cut short by a little over 15 minutes due to rains.

Thousands of people, mostly youngsters, thronged the Air Force Station here as the show was open to the public. The show was presented by the Surya Kiran Aerobatic Team (SKAT), Mi-17 heliand

The act by the Air Warrior Drill Team and the musical performance by the IAF band drew a lot of applause and whistle-blowing.

Three Mi 17 helicopters of the 130 Helicopter unit, headed by Wing Commander Irfan Wahid Khan Jarial presented a flypast on the arrival of the chief guest.

Shruti Arora, a youngster from Jammu city, thanked the IAF for providing the people the opportunity to watch the show.

"The show had a magnificent start with 11 members of the IAF flying high with the national flag and performing the most difficult stunts in the sky. The IAF's Commandos paradropping operation from helicopters to pin down its target was also worth watching," she said.

"I was apprehensive that the show might be cancelled because of the heavy

Stable Govt with strong majority made passage of women's bill in Parliament possible: Modi

Air surcharge 50 paisa for Leh



BJP's Mahila Morcha felicitating Prime Minister Narendra Modi at New Delhi.

STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi asserted on Friday that a decisive and stable government enjoying a strong majority at the Centre made the passage of the women's reservation bill in Parliament possible after it was left hanging for close to three

Addressing an event organised by the BJP's 'Mahila Morcha' to felicitate him for the passage of the bill, he said it is no ordinary legislation but is the declaration of the

new democratic commitment of a new India.

In a jibe at regional parties such as Bihar's Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) and Uttar Pradesh's Samajwadi Party, he said even those who had torn the previous bills seeking reserved seats for women in legislatures had to support the proposed law this time due to the emergence of women power in the last one decade of his government.

Before making a move on the bill, his government worked to empower women with a slew of schemes and

other measures and strengthened them, Modi said, noting that every party had to support it. "We took decisions for the betterment of women at all levels and didn't let anyone's political interest become a roadblock in the way of women's reservation. Earlier, whenever such a bill came in Parliament, only formalities were done and committed efforts were not made. Attempts to insult women were also made," the prime minister said.

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Attacking those

Denying prisoners premature release crushes spirit, instils despair: SC

STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Denying the relief of premature release to prisoners who have served extremely long periods of incarceration crushes their spirit, instils despair and signifies society's resolve to be harsh and unforgiving, the Supreme Court has said.

The apex court said with such denial the idea of rewarding a prisoner for good conduct is entirely negated, and directed the immediate release of a murder convict who has already spent 26 years in custody.

The 67-year-old man was held guilty of killing a woman

India, Pakistan attend

meeting in Vienna

NEW DELHI: India has

taken part in a two-day

meeting in Vienna that was

part of the proceedings

aimed at resolving a dispute

between New Delhi and

Kishenganga and Ratle

hydroelectric projects in Jammu and Kashmir.

The meeting in the

Austrian capital city was

convened by a neutral

Senior advocate Harish

Salve was present in the

meeting as India's lead coun-

sel in the matter, the

Ministry of External Affairs

"A delegation from India,

Resources, attended a meet-

ing of the neutral expert pro-

ceedings in the Kishenganga

and Ratle matter at the

Permanent Court of Arbitration in Vienna on

September 20 and 21," it

The meeting was convened

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Secretary,

of Water

expert.

(MEA) said.

Department

by

said in a statement.

by the neutral

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Indus water dispute:

Couple among 4 killed in accident STATE TIMES NEWS

an official said.

Ravindra Bhat Dipankar Datta said regardless of the morality of continued punishment one may question its rationality. "The question is, what is

achieved by continuing to punish a person who recognises the wrongness of what they have done, who no longer identifies with it,

QAZIGUND: Four of a family including a couple was killed while three others were injured in a road accident at Levdora area of Qazigund along the Jammu-Srinagar highway in Kulgam district,

An official said that a vehicle bearing registration number JK06B-0901, en route from Srinagar, collided with a truck near the Walnut factory in Levdora Qazigund. "The accident resulted in

severe injuries to seven occupants of the vehicle. They were swiftly taken to the Emergency Hospital in Qazigund for treatment,"

Special camps for updation of Panchayat Electoral Roll-23 Election Commission at

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: The Election Commission (SEC) has ordered updation of Panchayat rollr-23 for which process at each Panchayat level has been stated from September 20, 2023 and special camps would be also held.

These camps will be held on 23rd and 24th of September at polling booths, where in the Panchayat Election Booth Officials PEBO(VLW/ MPW/GRS) along with Assembly BLOs shall remain available at these locations with requisite forms and electoral Roll for



guidance of the electors. Pertinently, 1st January 2023 has been kept as a qualifying date. All eligible electors who are 18 years of Age as on 1st January 2023 can get name entered in Panchayat Electoral Roll which can also be downloaded from website of State

secjk.nic.in and submit necessary documents to concerned PEBO. For new enrollment form

PER- 2A is to be filled, for deletion of existing name PER 28, for correction of particulars PER 2C and for transposition/ Shifting to other Panchayat Halqa form PER 2D is to be filled.

Similarly, the display of existing Roll will be done on 20th September and period of filling claims/ objections and for addition/ deletion/ Corrections/transposition is from $20 \mathrm{th}$ to September, 2023.

EP Dept reclaims 3 Kanal illegally occupied land in Samba

■ STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Custodian General

Rajinder Singh Tara has asked the officers and officials of the Evacuee Property Department Jammu to intensify the drive against encroachers and illegal occupants of Evacuee Properties in Jammu Province.

Rajinder Singh Tara, after taking over Custodian General J&K Government, on Friday took a meeting of the officers/officials of Evacuee Property Department Jammu in his

office chamber at Wazarat Road Jammu to review the functioning of the depart-

ment. After threadbare discussions on the functioning of the Evacuee Property Jammu, the Custodian General emphasized that the Evacuee Property Department has been tasked with the responsibility to safeguard the Evacuee property with honesty and dedication. "As such, as and when any report of encroachment of Evacuee land is brought into the notice of the department, stern action in collaboration with Revenue/ Police Department should be taken'

The Custodian

he said

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PVC Capt Bana Singh named as Ambassador for 'War against Waste' in J&K

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: In a remarkable move to combat the sanitation challenges in rural areas of Union Territory of Jammu Kashmir, Directorate of Rural Sanitation, J&K is proud to announce the nomination of country's highest gallantry awardee, the Param Vir Chakra recipient Captain Bana Singh, a dedicated and decorated former soldier, as the ambassador for the "War Against Waste" initiative in Jammu & Kashmir

This was announced by the Director Rural Sanitation, J&K Charandeep Singh on



Director Rural Sanitation J&K, Charandeep Singh

presenting citation to Captain Bana Singh PVC.

Dr. ARUN KUMAR MEHTA

HIEF SECRETARY

Friday at Captain Bana Jammu during an

LS speaker warns BJP's Ramesh Bidhuri of strict action over remarks in House STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla on Friday took "serious note" of certain objectionable remarks made by BJP member Ramesh Bidhuri in the House and warned him of "strict action" if such behaviour is repeated in the future, officials said. Bidhuri's remarks targeting Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) member Kunwar Danish Ali during a discussion on the "success of Chandravaan-3" in the Lok Sabha triggered a furore, with opposition leaders calling for strict action against him.

The officials said

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MBBS admission fraud in GMC

Two candidates under disability category found ineligible by medical board

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A startling fraud came to surface when two candidates, seeking admission in the MBBS course in Government Medical College Jammu under disability category, were not actually found eligible by the Medical Board of the Hospital.

After passing the National Eligibility and Entrance Test (NEET), both the candidates came to GMC Jammu to take admission for MBBS through Jammu and Examination (BOPEE). While one student had fake

disability and the other candidate had put temporary disability certificate in her documents. GMC administration has

recommended to BOPEE to cancel the disability eligibility of both the students and cancel their seats.

The BOPEE has issues a list of 172 candidates for the year 2023, which include 24 in GMC Jammu. The list includes four reserved seats on the basis of disability.

Medical Board was recommended to confirm the disability of the four reserved candidates. When the documents of the four candidates were examined, a student from Poonch had included both permanent and temporary disability certificates with his documents. The other student, resident of Poonch, had attached temporary disability certificate in her documents. Upon this the GMC administration became suspicious. All four candidates were examined

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CS review Development scenario in Udhampur District

UDHAMPUR: Secretary, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta, conducted a comprehensive assessment of ongoing developmental projects and flagship initiatives across various sectors in Udhampur district today. This visit aimed to review the progress of projects funded the Central Sponsored Schemes (CSS) and other development programs.

The meeting was attended by Divisional Commissioner Ramesh Kumar, Range Udhampur-Reasi SulemanMohammad Choudhary, and heads of various divisions and departments within the district.

Deputy Commissioner Min: 57 Udhampur, Saloni Rai, Sunset: 18:23 Hours warmly welcomed the Chief Sunrise: 06:13 Hours Secretary and gave a detailed

sector-wise presentation on the progress of ongoing projects and flagship schemes managed by various departments in the district. She also provided updates on major projects such as the project, Yoga Devika International Convention Centre in Mantalai, Chenani Sudhmahadev road (NH-244), NH-44, Udhampur to Chenani, and the Integrated Development of Tourist Facilities at Mantalai and Sudhmahadev. Chief Secretary reviewed

the status of ongoing projects, programs, flagship schemes, and progress for the 2022-23 and $20\overline{23}$ -24 fiscal years in detail. Several departments, National Rural Livelihood Mission, National Urban Livelihood Mission, Education, Agriculture, Health, Social Welfare, Animal Husbandry, Jal Shakti, JPDCL, SBM-G, Jal Jeevan Mission, PMGSY, PWD, and languishing proj-

ects, were discussed

Chief Secretary, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta chairing a meeting at Udhampur on Friday During the review of the Devika project, the UEED department was instructed to expedite the pending work, including restoration and house-to-house connections. The Education department was directed to rationalize teaching staff in government schools within a month.

Dr. Mehta emphasized the importance of ensuring that all eligible beneficiaries are covered by government schemes and called for effective coordination among departments at the grass-

roots level. District heads of various departments provided updates on their respective schemes and their current status.

Labour Employment department was tasked with creating a comprehensive database of unemployed youth in the district and ensuring that reasonable opportunities for self employment are provided to each one of them. The agencies responsible for the Integrated Development

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Kashmiri people always advocated return of KPs: Mirwaiz

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SRINAGAR: Hurriyat Conference Mirwaiz Umar Farooq on Friday reiterated the stand of his separatist amalgam that the issue of Jammu and Kashmir has to be resolved through dialogue and peaceful means

In his first public appearance after four-years, Mirwaiz also said the people of Kashmir believe in peaceful coexistence between communities and nations, and have always advocated for the return of Kashmiri Pandits.

Though free to move, Mirwaiz had restrained his movement outside his home due to security reasons on his

"We have always invited our Pandit brothers to return to

the valley. We have always disapproved of making it as a political issue. It is a human issue." he said.

"Our stand is that a part of J&K is in India, another in Pakistan and the third in China. All these make Jammu and Kashmir as it existed in August 1947. The people have been divided and it is a reality that the issue needs to be resolved which the international community also endorses," Mirwaiz said during the Friday congregational sermon at the historic Jamia Masjid here.

Many families have been separated because of the dividing line between India and Pakistan, and they are craving to see and meet each other to celebrate their joys and share their pains,

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