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## 483 candidates file nominations for Phase 3 of J&K elections

### Highest 26 candidates in Baramulla AC, lowest 5 each in Akhnoor, Billawar, Gurez ACs

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: As many as 483 candidates have filed their nomination papers across 40 Assembly Constituencies (ACs) of seven districts of Jammu and Kashmir which are going to polling in the third and final phase of J&K Assembly Election 2024.

Thursday was the last day of filing nomination papers for the third phase of Assembly Election scheduled to be held on 01 October, 2024.

A total of 483 candidates have filed 518 nomination papers for the third phase of the forthcoming Assembly Election 2024, a statement from the office of Chief Electoral Officer informed.

A total of 122 candidates

have filed their nominations in Jammu district, followed by 111 in Baramulla district, 80 in Kupwara district, 50 in Bandipora district, 47 in Kathua district, 40 in Udhampur district, while 33 candidates have filed nominations in Samba district.

In Jammu division, for the four ACs in Udhampur district, a total of 13 candidates have filed nomination from 59-Udhampur West AC; 11 from 60-Udhampur East AC; 9 from 61-Chenani AC; while 7 candidates have filed nomination from 62-Ramnagar (SC) AC.

For the six ACs in Kathua district, 9 candidates have filed nomination from 63-Bani AC; 5 from 64-Billawar AC; 7 from 65-Basohli AC;

10 from 66-Jasrota AC; 6 from 67-Kathua (SC) AC; while 10 candidates have filed nomination from 68-Hiranagar AC.

In Samba district, 7 candidates have filed nomination from 69-Ramgarh (SC) AC; 15 from 70-Samba AC; while 11 candidates have filed nomination from 71-Vijaypur AC.

For the eleven ACs in Jammu district, a total of 13 candidates have filed nomination from 72-Bishnah (SC) AC; 14 from 73-Suchetgarh (SC) AC; 14 from 74-R.S. Pura - Jammu South AC; 12 from 75-Bahu AC; 10 from 76-Jammu East AC; 8 from 77-Nagrota AC; 13 from 78-Jammu West AC; 17 from 79-

Jammu North AC; 6 from 80-Marh (SC) AC; 5 from 81-Akhnoor (SC) AC; while 10 candidates have filed nomination from 82-Chhamb AC.

Similarly, in Kashmir Division, for the six ACs in Kupwara district, a total of 12 candidates have filed nomination from 1-Karnah AC; 13 from 2-Trehgam AC; 9 from 3-Kupwara AC; 13 from 4-Lolab AC; 11 from 5-Handwara AC; while 22 candidates have filed nomination from 6-Langate AC.

For the seven ACs in Baramulla district, 23 candidates have filed nomination from 7-Sopore AC; 14 from 8-Raffabad AC; 7 from 9-Uri AC; 26 from 10-Baramulla

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## Modi to address rally in Srinagar on Sep 19

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will address an election rally here on September 19 to campaign for BJP candidates contesting the Jammu and Kashmir Assembly polls, the party said.

"Prime Minister Narendra Modi will visit Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir, on September 19 to address a mega BJP rally at the Sher-e-Kashmir Park, Srinagar ahead of Assembly elections," a party spokesperson said.

Around 30,000 party workers are expected to attend the rally, he said.

"Senior BJP Leader Mohammad Anwar Khan has been designated as the in-charge for the rally," he added.

Polling will be held in three phases on September 18, September 25, and October 1, while the counting of the votes will be undertaken on October 8.

## ECI team take stock of preparations for J&K assembly elections

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: A team of senior officials from the Election Commission of India (ECI) undertook a two-day visit to Jammu and Kashmir, during which they reviewed the preparedness of the forthcoming Assembly Elections in the Union Territory.

During the two-day visit on 11-12 September, the ECI officials visited Ramban and Anantnag districts, where they held review meetings with the Civil Administration and Police officials of all the 20 districts of Jammu and Kashmir.

The ECI officials reviewed and stressed on critical issues highlighted by Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Rajiv Kumar earlier during a review with Chief Secretary, DGP and head of CAPF for fair and transpar-

ent electoral process. Administration was directed to ensure that preventive actions would be free of any partisan bias and only individuals with a proven history of antisocial or criminal behaviour would be targeted.

The administration would avoid undue arrests around polling day. Only individuals with legitimate antisocial or criminal backgrounds would be detained, ensuring that the process remains fair and transparent, the ECI officials said, adding that this move is aimed at eliminating previous concerns of selective or politically motivated actions.

The ECI officials also asserted that no last-minute restrictions would be imposed on the number of participants allowed in rallies or meetings, and instructed

that the administration would grant permissions for political gatherings with due diligence and without any bias or without any undue interference.

The officials were informed that security has to be provided equally to all candidates, without any discrimination or restriction on movement. This will ensure a level playing field for all parties, and will prevent expatriation of any candidate to heightened vulnerability.

The ECI team also reiterated that the practice of last-minute changes or clubbing of polling stations-often justified on security grounds has been prohibited and the voters need to be assured that polling station locations would not be altered at the eleventh hour, to avoid

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## Army Chief meets J&K LG Manoj Sinha



Chief of Army Staff, General Upendra Dwivedi meeting Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha at Raj Bhawan.

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Chief of the Army Staff, General Upendra Dwivedi on Thursday met Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, at Raj Bhawan.

He was accompanied by Lieutenant General MV Suchindra Kumar, GOC-in-C Northern Command and Lieutenant General Rajiv Ghai, GOC 15 Corps.

## CPI M leader Sitaram Yechury dies, Modi conveys condolences




#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: CPI(M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury died at AIIMS here on Thursday following a prolonged illness. He was 72.

Yechury had been in a critical condition for the last few days and was on respiratory support.

The CPI(M) had said earlier that the 72-year-old leader was being treated for an acute respiratory tract infection at the ICU in All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS).

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**WEATHER**

**Temperature (Jammu)**  
Max: 35.0°C Min: 22.7°C

**Humidity**  
Max: 77 Min: 56

**Temperature (Srinagar)**  
Max: 31.8°C Min: 13.7°C

**Humidity**  
Max: 68 Min: 41

Sunset : 18:41 Hours  
Sunrise : 06:12 Hours

## Chugh questions Abdullah family role in Syama Prasad Mukherjee's death

### 'J&K needs development not conspiracies'

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SAMBA: BJP National General Secretary Tarun Chugh and Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Dhami on Thursday led a road show followed by a large public rally in Samba.

Chugh, recounted the conspiracies of the Sheikh Abdullah-led government during the Jana Sangh era and explained how two constitutions and two symbols were imposed at the time, and how Jana Sangh's founder, Syama Prasad Mookerjee, was arrested during Sheikh Abdullah's regime.

"The false narrative established by Sheikh Abdullah continues even today,

with his descendants still demanding the reinstatement of Article 370",



Chugh said and urged the people to consider this election carefully. He asked,

"Should we continue supporting the ideals of Premnath Dogra, or fall for the conspiracy led by Sheikh Abdullah, which aims to keep J&K shackled by Articles 370 and 35(A)? Does J&K need to move forward from this?"

He criticized Farooq Abdullah's push to reinstate Articles 370 and 35A, questioning the need for the return of two flags and suggesting that it would undermine the constitution introduced by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar. He said, "This election is not simply a contest against the NC, Congress, and PDP. It is a battle between those who wish to bring back Article

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## Properties of drug peddlers worth over Rs 1 cr attached



Police attaching property of drug peddler in Jammu.

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Properties of three alleged drug peddlers worth over Rs 1 crore were attached in Jammu district

on Thursday, a police officer said. Two residential houses of Javed Ahmed, son of Abdul Ghani and

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## My politics centered on development, peace not false slogans: Azad

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Chairman Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP), and former Chief Minister Ghulam Nabi Azad on Friday called for an end to false promises and empty slogans, advocating instead for a politics centered on real development and progress for the people.

Addressing a large gathering in Anantnag in support of DPAP candidate Mir Altaf, he urged the people to support a new era of politics that prioritizes development,



DPAP Chairman Ghulam Nabi Azad addressing a public gathering at Anantnag on Thursday.

peace, and prosperity in J&K.

He expressed gratitude for

the blessings and prayers of his well-wishers during

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## India successfully flight tests surface-to-air missile

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

BALASORE (ODISHA): The Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) and the Indian Navy on Thursday successfully flight tested vertical launch short range surface-to-air missile from Chandipur, off Odisha coast, defence officials said here.

The test was conducted around 3 pm from the integrated test range in Chandipur, they said.

The flight test was carried out from a land-based

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## This is 1st assembly election in secular J&K: Sudhanshu Trivedi

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The BJP National Spokesperson, Sudhanshu Trivedi, on Thursday said that the upcoming Assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir are historic as this will be first election after J&K became secular, adding that this election is between nationalist forces and anti-nationalist forces.

"People in these Assembly elections have to choose between those promising peace and development (BJP) and those promising



BJP National Spokesperson, Sudhanshu Trivedi briefing media in Jammu on Thursday.

death and destruction (NC-Cong)," Sudhanshu Trivedi said during a press confer-

ence, here at BJP media center. BJP

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## Unauthorized absentee cannot claim to have performed his duties satisfactorily: DB

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court comprising Justice Sanjeev Kumar and Justice Yousaf Wani held that while dismissing the appeal against the order Central Administrative Tribunal holds that A person who started remaining unauthorized absent from the very beginning cannot claim to have performed his duties to the satisfaction of his employer. Not only the petitioner failed to undergo the mandatory basic recruitment training course, but he failed to perform his duties in the

Police Lines where he was posted after being withdrawn from the training. This clearly shows that the petitioner was not interested in the job from the day one and was taking his employer for granted. Yet the employer did not stigmatize the petitioner or held him guilty of any misconduct, but discharged him for having failed to perform his duties satisfactorily during the probation period. The impugned order of discharge is thus an order of discharge simpliciter and, as such, no departmental enquiry was

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## Devender Rana files nomination from Nagrota

### J&K to be among top 3 developed states of country: Anurag



Senior BJP leader Anurag Thakur and others while filing nomination papers of party candidate Devender Rana.

► Ram Madhav assails NC, PDP, Er Rashid, Lone possesses 1947 mindset

► Jammu to decide next Govt for J&K, says Rana

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NAGROTA: Former Union Minister and senior BJP leader Anurag Thakur on Thursday asserted that Jammu and Kashmir will be among the three top developed and progressive states of the country in the next five years, as per vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Addressing a massive rally at Excise Toll Plaza, Nagrota after the filing of nomination papers by Senior BJP leader and the party candidate for the Nagrota Assembly Constituency this afternoon, Thakur sought vote and

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## Yudhvir files nomination for Jammu East

JAMMU: In a show of overwhelming support, senior BJP



BJP candidate for Jammu East, Yudhvir Sethi during road show on Thursday.

leader and contesting candidate for Jammu East, Yudhvir Sethi, on Thursday filed his nomination papers for the upcoming elections, accompanied by a massive rally that demonstrated the people's backing for his candidacy. Former Union

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