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## 2 jawans injured in Bandipora encounter

Two soldiers were injured in a gunfight between security forces and terrorists in Renji woods of Kashmir's Bandipora district on this morning.

Officials said an encounter broke out between security forces and terrorists during searches in Renji woods. In the exchange of fire, two soldiers sustained injuries and were hospitalised.

Helicopters had been pressed into service and

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## All VPNs suspended in Rajouri distt

All kinds of VPNs have been suspended till the culmination of Lok Sabha elections in Rajouri district of Jammu.

"Whereas, a communication has been received from the office of Senior Superintendent of Police, Rajouri vide

No CS/DPO/PE/2024/6687-91 of April 23, 2024 regarding unprecedented high usage of virtual private Networks (VPNs) during past few days in different part of this district by score of suspicious internet users; and Whereas, VPN

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## School timing changed In Jammu division

The Directorate of School Education, Jammu, today announced a change in the school timings for all government and private schools in the summer zones of Jammu division.

According to an order issued by the Directorate of School Education, Jammu, starting from the May 1, 2024, until September 30, 2024, all government as well as private recognised schools up to Higher Sec

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## 17.80 lakh voters to decide fate of 22 candidates in Jammu PC

Over 17.80 lakh voters will decide the fate of 22 candidates contesting from 5-Jammu Parliamentary Constituency in the second phase of Lok Sabha polls to be held on April 26.

The Jammu parliamentary constituency is spread over 18 Assembly segments in four districts including Reasi, Samba, Jammu and Rajouri.

According to the figures provided by the office of

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## Kashmir 'issue' be resolved through 'peaceful means': Pak-Iran joint statement

ISLAMABAD, APR 24: Pakistan and Iran have agreed that the Kashmir issue should be resolved through "peaceful means based on the will of the people" of the region, said a joint statement issued by the two countries after Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi's maiden visit on April 24.

President Raisi paid an official visit to Pakistan from April 22-24 at the invitation of Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif. He was accompanied by a high-level delegation comprising the

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# Modi hits out at Cong, calls it 'vote bank-hungry'

Says it wants to implement religion-based quota to preserve vote bank

AMBIKAPUR (CHHATTISGARH), APR 24: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday hit out at the Congress, saying the "vote bank-hungry" party wanted to implement reservation on the basis of religion.

Addressing a poll rally in Ambikapur, the headquarters of Surguja district in Chhattisgarh, he also alleged that the Congress wanted to impose inheritance tax in the country and snatch the assets and rights of people and their children.

Some forces want a "weak" government of the Congress and "INDI" alliance to be in power in the country as they thought that if India becomes 'atmanirbhar' (self-reliant), their shops will be shut, he said.

"Today, when I have come to Surguja, I want to present the Muslim League thinking of the Congress in front of the country. When their manifesto was released, on the same day I had said, and saying today also that the Congress manifesto has the imprint of Muslim League," Modi said.



When the Constitution was being drafted, intellectuals and great personalities under the leadership of Babasaheb Ambedkar decided that there would be no reservation on the basis of religion in India, he said.

"If there is reservation, then it will be for my Dalit brothers and sisters and tribal brothers and sisters," he said.

"But the vote bank-hungry Congress never cared about the words of the great personalities, sanctity of the Constitution and the words of Babasaheb Ambedkar. Years ago, the

Congress made an attempt to implement reservation on the basis of religion in Andhra Pradesh. Then Congress has planned to implement it in the entire country," Modi said.

They talked about implementing 15 per cent reservation on the basis of religion and said it will be done after curtailing the quota of the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes, he added.

"Congress expressed the same intention in its 2009 manifesto, and in the 2014 manifesto, it had clearly said that it will never leave this issue. If reservation for Dalits and tribals has to be curtailed, they will do so," the PM said.

"Earlier, Congress had also implemented reservation on the basis of religion in Karnataka. When the BJP government came there, we quashed the decision taken by the Congress against the Constitution and against the spirit of Babasaheb Ambedkar," he said.

But the Congress government in Karnataka committed another sin by

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## 'Holds & blocks' in UNSC Sanctions Committees are 'disguised vetoes': India

NEW DELHI, APR 24: In a veiled jibe at China, India has said that the "holds" placed on proposals in the UNSC sanctions committees are "disguised vetoes" on matters such as listing Pakistan-based global terrorists where some Council members will not take any responsibility.

"The working methods of anybody must respond to the challenges confronted



by it. And the United Nations Security Council's record in measuring up to the mounting challenges

has been abysmal, to say the least," India's Permanent Representative to the UN Ambassador Ruchira Kamboj said on Tuesday.

Speaking in the UN General Assembly on the Second Anniversary of the unanimous adoption by UNGA of the 'Veto Initiative'- Strengthening of the UN System, Kamboj said that the Security Council has used its working meth

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## Congress, allies aiming to loot income, savings, assets: Kavinder

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Senior BJP leader & ex-deputy CM Kavinder Gupta today said that Congress and its coalition partners were now aiming to loot the hard-earned income, savings and inherited assets of people.

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## Campaigning ends for phase 2 of LS polls

NEW DELHI, APR 24: The curtains came down Wednesday evening on a high-voltage campaigning for the second phase of Lok Sabha polls in 89 seats across 13 states on April 26.

Staggered over seven stages, the first phase of the elections held last Friday for 102 seats across 21 states and Union territories saw a voter turnout of around 65.5 per cent.

Polling is scheduled in all 20 seats of Kerala, 14 of the

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## SC collegium recommends extension of term of Justice Nargal

JAMMU, APR 24: The Supreme Court Collegium, headed by Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chandrachud, has recommended an extension of term of Justice Wasim

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## Conference on 'Role of citizens in holistic development'

# LG highlights contribution of Jan-Bhagidari in progress of nation

GHAZIPUR (UP), APR 24: Addressing a conference on the 'Role of citizens in holistic development', LG Manoj Sinha gave a detailed account of Jan-Bhagidari in the progress of nation.

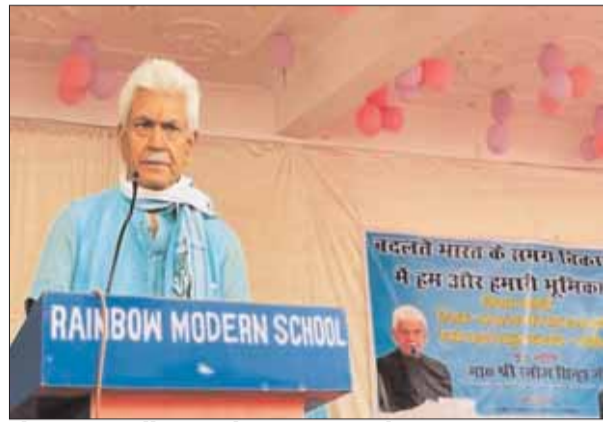
The conference was organised at Rainbow Modern School, Ghazipur.

Speaking on the occasion, the LG highlighted the significant contribution of Jan-Bhagidari in the progress of the nation.

"Citizen participation is essential for holistic and inclusive development, and to create a new future for the society," he said.

"Active citizen strengthens the bond between the government and the society, and ensures that the benefits of economic growth reach all sections of society," the LG added.

Sinha called upon peo



ple, especially youth, to come forward and generate awareness among masses on their duties and responsibilities.

"It is our collective responsibility to ensure that the weaker section of society enjoys social justice and equality, and strives to our utmost for the realisation of the dream of making India a developed nation by 2047," the LG said.

"India is emerging as a global economic power and it is crucial that every citizen discharges his duties and contributes towards the nation-building," he added.

The LG also stressed upon the common commitment of nation building and made an appeal to people to work with dedication to make the 21st century, India's century.

## DPAP contesting LS elections independently: Azad

Reiterates commitment to development, peace

Himalayan Mail News SRINAGAR, APR 24

Reiterating his commitment to development and peace, DPAP Chairman Ghulam Nabi Azad today said that DPAP was contesting the ongoing Lok Sabha elections independently and won't form alliances with any other

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## SWD employee's killing

# 67 suspects detained as SFs continue searches for terrorists

Himalayan Mail News JAMMU, APR 24

Security forces have so far detained at least 67 suspects during searches into the killing of social welfare department employee Mohammad Razaq by terrorists at Kunda Top in Thana-

mandi area of Rajouri district of Jammu on Monday last.

Massive searches continue for the escaped Lashkar-e-Taiba terrorists who were said to be two in number, according to officials.

Razaq (40) was shot dead

by terrorists after he came out of a mosque in his village Kunda Top Monday evening. His brother, Mohammad Tahir Choudhary - a soldier in Territorial Army - had escaped unhurt.

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# Jammu

POLL DATE: 26th APRIL 2024



TOTAL REGISTERED VOTERS

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MALE 9,21,462



FEMALE 8,60,055



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