



Former Jharkhand CM Hemant's wife Kalpana to contest bypoll from Gandey assembly seat

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Priyanka Chopra-backed heartbreaking documentary Women of My Billion to release on this date

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Civillian injured in Sopore encounter

A civilian was injured after he was caught in cross-firing between security forces and terrorists in Check Mohalla of Sopore area of the valley today.

Officials said a joint team of Army's 22 RR, police & CRPF laid a cordon & search operation in Nowpora village of Sopore, following credible input about the presence of terrorists in the area.

As the joint team approached the suspected spot, the hiding militants fired upon them. Fire was

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22 file nominations from Srinagar constituency

On the last date of filing of nomination papers for the General Lok Sabha Elections from Srinagar Parliamentary Constituency, 22 candidates today filed their nomination papers in the office of Returning Officer (RO) of the constituency.

Aga Syed Ruhullah Mehdi of NC filed nomination papers before the RO Bilal Mohi-Ud-Din Bhat, while Salman Sagar submitted his nomination papers from as a covering candidate.

Hakikat Singh of National Panthers Party (Bhim), Rakesh Handu

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Property of 4 Pak-based terrorists attached

Police have attached the properties of four terrorist handlers in Handwara district of the valley after a court declared them proclaimed offenders.

They had exfiltrated to Pakistan or PoJK in the 1990s. "Since they are continuously involved in handling terrorists and reviving and spreading terrorism in Handwara and other areas of Jammu and Kashmir, their properties were confiscated," officials said.

The properties attached include land measuring ten Marlas at Kralgund belonging to proclaimed offender

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INDIA bloc seeking votes to provide religion-based reservation: Modi

BAREILLY (UP), APR 25: Prime Minister Narendra Modi today attacked the INDIA bloc parties, saying they were seeking votes for changing the Constitution to provide religion-based reservation. He also said that Congress party would snatch away jobs from the families of marginalised communities and give to those who have "first claim" on resources, in an apparent reference to Muslims.



"Congress not only wants to conduct an economic survey but also survey institutions and offices," he said while addressing a rally at Aonla in Bareilly district here.

"If two people in a backward or Dalit family work, they will take away the job of one and give it to those whom they say have the first right on the country's resources," Modi said.

He was referring to former PM Manmohan Singh's 2006 remark that minorities, particularly Muslims, had the "first claim" on the country's resources. To be sure, a PMO clarification

available on the archives suggests that former PM Singh had talked about all underprivileged sections, including SCs, STs, women, children, and minorities, particularly Muslims.

"Congress party will snatch away jobs from the families of marginalised communities and give to those who have "first claim" on resources, in an apparent reference to Muslims," PM Modi said.

While Modi stopped short of naming the community this time, he made similar allegations in Rajasthan's

Banswara where he claimed that the Congress party would take away people's gold and property to redistribute them to "infiltrators" and "those who have more children".

"The Congress manifesto says they will take stock of the gold owned by our mothers and sisters, and then they will redistribute that wealth. And distribute it to those who, according to the Manmohan Singh government, have the first right on resources — Muslims," Modi had said.

The Election Commission on Thursday issued a notice to BJP president J P Nadda on Opposition charge that Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave a divisive speech in Banswara. The poll panel sought Nadda's response by Monday to the complaints filed by the Congress, CPI (ML) and civil society groups.

Meanwhile, Congress chief Mallikarjun Kharge has written to Prime Minister Modi seeking time from him to explain in person the party's manifesto. In his two-page let-

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SC to share cause list, info about listing of cases through WhatsApp: CJI

NEW DELHI, APR 25: In a significant step towards digitisation, Chief Justice D Y Chandrachud today announced that the Supreme Court will share information relating to cause lists and filing and listing of cases to advocates through WhatsApp messages, saying it will have a "big-bang impact" and will go a long way in saving paper and the earth.



The announcement on integration of WhatsApp with its Information and

Communications Technology (ICT) services was made by the CJI before a nine-judge bench headed by him commenced the hearing on the vexed legal question arising from the

petitions about whether private properties can be considered "material resources of the community" under Article 39(b) of the Constitution, which is a part of the Directive Principles of State Policy (DPSP).

"In the 75th year of its existence, the Supreme Court launches a small initiative. It has the potential to have a big-bang impact. WhatsApp messenger has been a ubiquitous service in our daily lives and has taken

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EC notice to Nadda on complaints against PM

NEW DELHI, APR 25: Taking cognisance for the first time of a model code violation complaint against a prime minister, the Election Commission today issued a notice to BJP president J P Nadda on Opposition charge that Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave a divisive speech in Rajasthan's Banswara.

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Polling officials with EVMs & other material leaving for election duty ahead of the 2nd phase of Lok Sabha polls in Jammu constituency.

People want me in J&K for development instead of being in Parl: Azad

Himalayan Mail News SRINAGAR, APR 25

DPAP Chairman Ghulam Nabi Azad today urged voters to be vigilant against misleading slogans and false promises, asserting that 'people in J&K want him for development instead of being in Parliament'.

Addressing public during a roadshow at Dooru in Anantnag of Kashmir, he questioned the silence of



MPs from regional parties in parliament, particularly on Article 370. "Almost all the MPs of two political parties from

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AAP leaders, Gujjar Nagar youth join BJP; welcomed by Kavinder

Himalayan Mail News JAMMU, APR 25

Senior BJP leader & ex-deputy CM Kavinder Gupta today welcomed dozens of AAP activists & Muslim youth of Gujjar Nagar locality into the party-fold and hoped that they would be of great help to strengthen the party at grassroots level.



"The policies of Modi government have directly benefited the needy and op-

pressed sections of the society, which were deliberately neglected by the previous regimes on one pretext or

the another," he said in his address on the occasion.

Gupta said Congress, NC

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Jammu's fragmented geographical vote is a new challenge

Sahil Mahajan

Jammu is all set to vote on Friday – April 26 – for Jammu-Reasi Parliamentary constituency and with that the region's share of voting for the two parliamentary constituencies – the other being Udhampur-Doda for which the polling was held on April 19- will be complete. Indeed, Rajouri-Poonch, the border belt will go to polls on May 7 as part of Anantnag-Rajouri Lok Sabha constituency, but that is now a different story. The fact of the day is that Rajouri-Poonch have been separated from political mainstream of Jammu. This border belt's voice would be heard partly as a voice from the Valley, as majority of Assembly constituencies are from south Kashmir. The logic of the delimitation commission that it has divided all the 90 assembly segments equally into five parliamentary seats may be of its unique wisdom, but it is perhaps unaware that how it has changed the whole political complexion of the border belt which is very crucial to the national security, as the area borders Pakistan occupied Jammu and Kashmir and is sandwiched between the narratives from the Valley, and PoJK.

Something unique has happened to this border region, which the local

inhabitants love to call as "Pir Panjal sub region", as it is nestled in the Pir Panjal range of Himalayas straddling between north and south of Kashmir Valley. There is no national party contesting the election of Anantnag-Rajouri constituency. This is in sharp contrast to the past when the national political parties were the real-time political competitors in the region, as Rajouri-Poonch were part of Jammu constituency. This constituency, before its renaming as Anantnag-Rajouri constituency was known as Jammu-Poonch constituency. Its geographical expanse covered plains of Jammu, Samba and rose to the hills and mountains of Rajouri and Poonch. Perhaps, the Delimitation Commission did not care for the diverse ethnic composition of the region-most of the people are divided into two ethnic groups Gujjars and Paharis, and Hindus have their alignment with Paharis and others describe them as Hindus. These ethnic groups have nothing in common with the population in south Kashmir with which the parliamentary constituency has been aligned. It has been converted into a politically more challenging and diverse constituency where the voting patterns are likely to change, given the diverse geography and demographic composition.

Two major national parties – BJP and Congress- are fighting it out in Jammu-Reasi seat. It's expected that either of the two will make it to Lok Sabha on June 4 when results will be out. The real issue is that BJP candidates in both the constituencies- the reference is to Udhampur-Doda constituency as well as has been centered around what Prime Minister Narendra Modi did and didn't do. The BJP candidates counted without a pause all the achievements and accomplishments that Narendra Modi brought about at national level, and Jammu region was included in that a peripheral reference. This was a very clever strategy, not to talk about the inconvenient questions about Jammu. At the moment, Jammu is being told that it got AIIMS, IIT, IIM and medical colleges. These were counted as infrastructures and institutions of excellence. Indeed, that has added to grace of the region, but there are many other issues which the people wanted to hear about- jobs, fulfilment of other aspirations which centered around the identity and culture. National issues are important, and those needed to be debated and discussed in the campaign. The question is, are the national issues above the regional issues – the regions make the nation.

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