



Sinha extends Navratri greetings

LG Manoj Sinha has extended his heartiest greetings to the people on the eve of Navratri, which commences tomorrow. "Greetings and warm wishes to everyone on the auspicious occasion of Navratri. As the nine sacred days of prayers of Maa Durga begin, we celebrate the eternal triumph of truth, righteousness and virtue over evil," he said in his message. "May Goddess Durga shower her divine blessings upon every family, bestowing good health, happiness and prosperity," the LG added.

5 landmines defused near LoC

Five landmines were detected and safely destroyed by Army along the Line of Control (LoC) in Poonch district of Jammu today. While two landmines were detected by an Army patrol near the border fence in Basoni Top area in the morning, three were found in the same area the previous day, officials said. The explosives were subsequently destroyed through controlled explosions by the Bomb

Properties of 2 UAPA accused attached

Properties worth Rs 1 crore belonging to two UAPA accused, presently operating from PoJK, were today identified and attached in Kashmir's Kupwara district. The action was initiated by Handwara police against immovable properties in Kohru and Udiopora villages of Langate in connection with the investigation of a case registered under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) at Handwara police station, officials

124 ex-IAS, IFS officers defend EC, SIR

NEW DELHI, OCT 10: A total of 124 former IAS, IFS and allied services' officers have issued an open letter to the citizens of India, strongly defending the Election Commission (EC) and the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of the electoral roll, while questioning allegations of vote rigging without credible evidence. Highlighting India's transformation from an era of booth capturing, ballot-box stuffing and poll violence, the officers said today's electoral system has multiple layers of checks and safeguards, including

M16 rifle, 9 pistols, opium recovered; 4 held

CHANDIGARH, OCT 10: The Punjab police recovered a sophisticated M16 rifle, nine pistols and 15 kg of opium after dismantling two illegal arms and narcotics supply networks with the arrest of four individuals in Amritsar. Amritsar Rural Police also recovered 25 cartridges from their possession, Director General of Police Gaurav Yadav said in a post on X. Preliminary investigation revealed that the accused were allegedly linked to foreign-based smugglers and involved in procuring illegal

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'Child in conflict with law' describes a circumstance, not identity: CJJ

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Uditi Singh breaks down in tears after Gullu brings up her ex during Bigg Boss 20 fight

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'J&K integral part of India' India slams Pakistan at UN over 'lies & falsehoods'

NEW YORK, OCT 10: India slammed Pakistan at the United Nations for spreading "lies and falsehoods" about Jammu and Kashmir, asserting that the Union Territory "is, and will always remain, an integral and inalienable part of the country".

India's response came during a discussion on 'Decolonisation' in the UN General Assembly's Fourth Committee, where Member of Parliament Mahima Kumari Mewar delivered India's Right of Reply to a statement by Pakistan's representative.

In a post on X, India at UN, New York, said, "MP Mahima Kumari Mewar delivered India's Right of Reply in response to a statement by the representative



of Pakistan in the Fourth Committee on the Agenda Item: Decolonization." The post highlighted that Mewar said, "It is regrettable that Pakistan continues to abuse the UN platform to peddle lies and falsehoods about the Indian Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir."

Mewar accused Pakistan of human rights violations in areas illegally occupied by it and called on Islamabad to address the situation. "We call upon Pakistan to stop the grave and ongoing human rights violation in the areas illegally occupied by it, where the population

'Viksit Bharat' possible only when every state, village develops together: VP

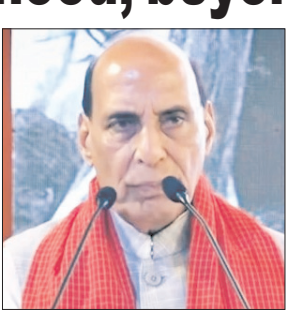
DEOGHAR (JHARKHAND), OCT 10: Vice-President CP Radhakrishnan on Saturday said the vision of 'Viksit Bharat' can become a reality only when all states, districts and villages develop together.

He said Jharkhand could emerge as a powerful centre of inclusive and sustainable development with the right investment in education, healthcare, skills, technology and entrepreneurship. "Prime Minister Narendra Modi has a vision of Viksit Bharat 2047. It can become a reality only when every state, district and small village develops together. Access to quality healthcare and higher edu-



cation for tribal communities and rural folk lies at the heart of the mission," Radhakrishnan said while addressing the second convocation of AIIMS, Deoghar. He said it was the fundamental right of every citizen

India monitoring developments in neighbourhood, beyond: Def Min



JODHPUR, OCT 10: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh today said India was closely monitoring developments in its neighbourhood and beyond, along with their strategic implications, as the world witnesses major changes in modern warfare and the global security order. "India is driven by the vision of 'Atmanirbhar Bharat'," he said while speaking at Exercise Tarang Shakti 2026 at the Jodhpur Air Force Station. "The Indian armed forces are undergoing a fundamental transformation structurally, materially and strategically," the

changing while the shape of the future order was yet to emerge. "India's vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat does not mean isolation from the world. It means developing domestic capacity to design, develop, manufacture, maintain and upgrade critical defence technologies," he said. After witnessing the aerial display at the air force station, the defence minister said the established world order was changing rapidly, while the shape of the emerging global order remained uncertain. He added that At

Huge cache of arms, ammunition recovered from Baramulla woods



Himalayan Mail News JAMMU, OCT 10 A huge cache of arms, ammunition and explosives, including AK rifles and grenades, was today recovered by security forces from MukaamCherhar woods of Sopore in the valley's Baramulla district. Officials said a massive operation was launched by security forces in MukaamCherhar woods on a tip-off which suggested that terrorists had hidden arms & ammunition there. During searches, the forces came across a huge cache of arms, ammunition, grenades and Impro-

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is in open revolt against Pakistan's military occupation, repression, brutality, and illegal exploitation of resources," she said.

She said that Pakistani forces and their proxies had killed civilians protesting for their rights and basic necessities. "In the last few months, the Pakistani armed forces and their proxies have killed dozens of innocent civilians who were agitating for their basic rights and freedoms and basic necessities," Mewar said.

Criticising Pakistan's political and security record, she said, "A country like Pakistan with an established record of military dictatorship, sham elections, incarceration of popular elected leaders, religious extremism, and sponsoring

11 civil judges promoted on ad-hoc basis

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The High Court of J&K and Ladakh has issued an order promoting 11 civil judges (junior division) to the position of civil judges (senior division) on a temporary, ad-hoc basis.

"After considering the comparative seniority, vigilance report and performance of all Civil Judges (Junior Division) falling in the reconsideration zone, evaluated in terms of Rule 7 of the Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh Judicial Service Rules, 2025 (notified vide SO 173 dated 20.06.2025),

PM-HM duo rattled by youth protest: Congress

NEW DELHI, OCT 10: The Congress on Saturday claimed that the "PM-HM duo is extremely nervous and rattled" by a peaceful protest of youth, and asserted that the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar is a "moral imperative". The opposition party also said the suspension of the SIR that has already disenfranchised nearly 14 crore Indians is essential to restore public faith and trust in the election system. Congress general secretary in-charge communications Jairam Ramesh said the nation's capital has been turned into a fortress and

NIA to probe cockpit attack on Capt Machchhar

NEW DELHI, OCT 10: Anti-terror agency NIA has registered a case to probe and unearth the larger conspiracy behind last month's mid-air attack on Captain Smit Machchhar inside the cockpit of an Israel-bound flydubai flight. It was reported that on September 30, 2026, the Omani first officer of flydubai flight no 1073 stabbed the Indian pilot, Captain Machchhar, mid-air "in an apparent attempt to hijack or cause it to crash", according to the First Information Report (FIR) filed by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) on October 9. The FIR mentions the

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J&K poised to emerge as key destination for GCCs: LG

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LG Manoj Sinha today said that Jammu & Kashmir was poised to emerge as a significant destination for Global Capability Centres (GCCs), driven by its young talent, improving infrastructure, investor-friendly policies and growing innovation ecosystem. "India is home to more than 2,100 GCCs employing over 19 lakh professionals and contributing substantially to exports," he said while addressing the valedictory session of J&K Global Capability Centre (GCC) Summit 2026.

Congratulations IIM Jammu, NASSCOM, partner institutions and the administration for successfully organising the two-day summit, the LG urged participants to re-focus on a key question about why companies seek-



ing their next talent hub, innovation centre and capacity destination should Jammu & Kashmir be their preferred choice and work together with a strong resolve to make it a reality.

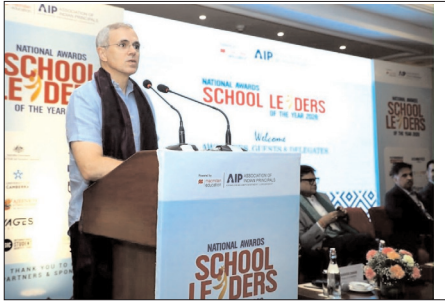
Drawing inspiration from the world's highest railway arch bridge over the Chenab River, he said, "J&K today reflects the confidence & ambition required to pursue transformational goals."

Omar calls for future-ready education beyond examinations

NEW DELHI, OCT 10: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah today called for a future-ready education system that prepares children for life beyond examinations, equipping them with critical thinking, digital literacy, adaptability and a strong sense of responsibility.

"Principals and headteachers do much more than administering schools," he said while addressing the School Leader of the Year 2026 Summit & Awards in New Delhi. The event brought together leading educators, school principals and institutional heads to celebrate excellence, innovation and leadership in K-12 education.

Emphasising the role of school leaders in nation-building, the chief minister said, "They shape the learning environment, values, aspirations and future of young minds." Strong leaderships fundamental to building safe, inclusive, innovative and student-centric institutions," he added.



He underscored that education must focus on the holistic development of every child, going beyond academic achievement to nurture creativity, communication, collaboration, problem-solving abilities and digital competence.

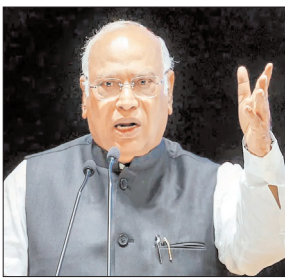
He stressed that schools must prepare students to meet emerging challenges with confidence and responsibility.

Highlighting the opportunities presented by technology and Artificial Intelligence,

Delhi protest 'curbs' Modi govt has turned 'mother of democracy' into 'muzzled democracy': Kharage

NEW DELHI, OCT 10: Congress president Mallikarjun Kharage on Saturday lashed out at the Modi government over the detentions by Delhi police, saying it had turned the 'mother of democracy' into a 'muzzled democracy'.

He alleged that the cowardice of the BJP-RSS was on full display today. "Our youth, students, lawyers, journalists, social activists, farm union leaders, YouTubers, content creators, everyone who is questioning this regime are being detained," Kharage said on X. "Modi government has



turned the 'Mother of Democracy' into a 'Muzzled Democracy'!" he said. "Detentions, arrests, jails, lathis and pellets cannot deter the people of India," the Congress chief asserted. "Since the days of our Freedom struggle, the youth have been at the fore-

front of shaping the nation's destiny," he said.

The Congress party, along with the united Opposition, will fight "this tyrannical regime, tooth and nail", Kharage said.

"We shed our blood to win India's freedom. We will continue to fight, with every ounce of our strength, to defend our Democracy, our Constitution and the fundamental rights of every Indian," he said.

His remarks came as protesters attempted to reach Jantar Mantar.

Kharage had on Saturday

Kavinder calls for stronger linkages between science, innovation, society

HAMIRPUR, OCT 10: Himachal Pradesh Governor Kavinder Gupta today called for strengthening the linkages between education, scientific research, innovation and societal needs to realise the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047.

"The foundation of a developed India must rest on scientific temper, a culture of research, innovation and the ability to solve real-world problems," he said while addressing the sixth edition of Education Mahakumbh Abhiyan at the National Institute of Technology (NIT), Hamirpur, on the theme "Vigyanmay Bharat-Viksit Bharat".



The governor said that emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence, biotechnology, robotics, space science and digital technology were transforming the world.

Referring to the National Education Policy 2020, he emphasised the need for holistic, multidisciplinary

and skill-based education that develops critical thinking, creativity, communication and problem-solving abilities.

He urged students to become creators of technology and innovators rather than merely consumers, encour

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