

CM mocks Rahul's remarks on democracy, urges self-reflection

Bhopal: Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav took a swipe at Congress MP Rahul Gandhi's recent remarks on democracy and the constitution, suggesting that Gandhi should introspect on his own stance concerning constitutional issues.

Speaking to the media, CM Yadav remarked, "Prime Minister Narendra Modi's decision to revoke Article 370 sets a precedent that if any constitutional provision is flawed, it should be amended for the betterment of the region. PM Modi's government is actively working towards improving the lives of farmers, youth, and the underprivileged. When Rahul Gandhi speaks of 'constitutional change,' he should examine his own party's actions, like overturning the Supreme Court's decision on Triple Talag, which effectively altered the Constitution."

Yadav also highlighted Congress's past interference with the judiciary's authority during the emergency period.

He emphasized the Bharatiya Janata Party's commitment to in-



clusive development across all sectors of society.

Earlier, Rahul Gandhi, after filing his nomination from Wayanad in Kerala, declared the upcoming election as a battle for democracy and the Indian Constitution. He accused the BJP of undermining these principles while asserting that the Congress and its allies are fighting to uphold them.

Madhya Pradesh's Lok Sabha elections are scheduled across the first four phases of the total seven, set on April 19, April 26, May 7, and May 13, with vote counting on June 4.

Shivraj slams Opposition alliance as directionless

Bhopal: Shivraj Singh Chouhan, former Chief Minister, has criticized the opposition INDIA bloc, denouncing it as lacking direction, policy, and leadership.



Speaking at a public gathering in Narmadapuram on Thursday, Chouhan, a contender for the Vidisha Lok Sabha seat, commended Prime Minister Narendra Modi's developmental initiatives, propelling India towards greater prosperity.

"India is currently on the path to glory and prosperity. I firmly believe that under PM Modi's guidance, India will emerge as a global leader," stated Chouhan.

He lambasted the opposition parties, describing their alliance as feeble and without a clear vision.

Recalling an anecdote purportedly involving Mahatma Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru, Chouhan recounted, "After India attained independence, Gandhi ji suggested to Nehru to disband Congress, considering it a product of India's freedom struggle. However, Nehru ji disagreed."

Chouhan concluded with a light-hearted remark, "While Nehru ji didn't heed Gandhi ji's advice, it seems Rahul Gandhi might just fulfill his wish to shut down Congress."

Maha Archana being performed in Jain temples

Many events will be held in temples for 18 days, Lord Mahavir's birth anniversary will be celebrated with pomp



Chronicle Reporter, Bhopal Sakal Bhopal Jain Samaj is organizing an 18-day Mahaarchana starting from the birth anniversary of Lord Adinath till Mahavir Jayanti, the birth anniversary of Lord Mahavir, under which many events are being organized in almost all the temples of the city.

2000 devotees will participate in the event

President of Mangalwara Temple, Aditya Manya Jain said that about 2000 devotees will participate in this event

and earn blessings.

During this period, Deep Archana and devotional music dance will be organised. Along with Bhaktamar Path, fodder and straw will also be donated to the cow shelter and medicines and food will be donated to the poor patients in the hospitals. The program of Bhakti Sangeet Bula is being organized daily from 3rd April to 21st April 2024 under the joint aegis of Mangalwara Temple Committee Trust, Mahila Mandal, Bahu Mandal, Bhakta Mandal, Pathshala Parishad, Cultural Committee, Vidya-purna Group, Sakal Jain Samaj Bhopal. Meanwhile, President of Saket Nagar Jain Temple Narendra Tongya Jain said that under the slogan echoing from house to house, Saroj Jain, Narendra Pratibha Tongya Jain, Alok Ritu Jain, Alok Madhu Jain, Devesh Vishwashree Jain, Journalist Sanyam Swati Jain, Sharad Poonam Jain. Dr. Pragya Jain, Sugandhilal Jain etc. have made extensive preparations. At the same time, preparations for the programs to be held on Mahavir Jayanti have been made and preparations have started with full enthusiasm and joy.

New sessions begins at Champion



Bhopal: The beginning of a new session is always an auspicious time, a time for new hopes and renewed dreams. Champion School, Arera Colony Primary & Secondary Section commenced its new Academic Session 2024-25 today. All the students were back to school again after a short break with full zeal. Excitement and enthusiasm seem to be high among the students. All of them are filled with great enthu-

siasm, eager to meet all their friends and might be struggling to capture their favourite bench. The management and staff welcomed tiny tots on the first day by conducting a welcome programme for them which made them feel unique and important. The School campus bloomed once again to receive new life with the echoes of the students.

The programme commenced

with the lighting of the lamp done by Principal Fr. Dr. Athnas Lakra S.J., Vice Principal Alok Kujur S.J., along with students of different classes. As they entered the school campus the showers of glitter by the teachers brought a smile to the innocent faces. The Prayer song was sung by the teachers' choir group. The Welcome song 'Aa leke chalu tujhe aisi dagar ke tale jaha gum bhi na ho, aansu bhi na ho, bus pyaar hi pyaar pale' added a joyous essence to the programme. Motivational and inspiring thoughts were presented by the teacher. Principal Fr. Dr. Athnas Lakra S.J. with their speeches directed the students on how to sail smoothly throughout the year and work accordingly to achieve their goals. Principal Fr. in his message, told the students 'to be positive, become good human beings and excellence in your studies. The students felt enthusiastic and looked forward to the new academic session 2024-25 with zeal and hope. The Master of the Ceremony was done by Mrs. Manjari Tiwari.



Women offer worship to Dasha Mata at Khatlapura Hanuman Mandir in the city on Thursday. Photo by Ashraf Ali.

Heated clash in Youth Parliament on education, security, and foreign policy

National Youth Parliament held in BSSS

Bhopal: The National Youth Parliament program was organized at the Bhopal School of Social Sciences in the city in which former MP Alok Sanjar was specially present as the chief guest. On this occasion, DD News newsreader and journalist Aditya Srivastava and Civil Service Club President Lakshmi Sharan Sharma were also present as special guests.

Assistant Professor Yashvi Sharma said that in the Youth Parliament, the students sat on the opposition side with all the formalities of the Parliament and spoke on various issues and a successful session was organized.

Looking at the wonderful proceedings of the Parliament, Alok Sanjar appreciated that the way



the students here forcefully put questions and answers related to different portfolios on the table is indeed very commendable. The

students followed all the formalities by raising questions related to the country's security, respect for women, social system, and educa-

tion policy.

Principal of the college, Dr. Father Dr. John P.J. said that as per the times, the need for logical power to learn, understand, and analyze is essential for the students.

While observing the formal proceedings of the youth, Lakshmi Saran Sharma said that these youth have done good research and the questions asked after thorough research demonstrate the intellectuality and quality working system here. Aditya Srivastava said that holding this program just before the elections not only makes the youth aware of democracy but will also contribute in strengthening the Indian governance system.

The National Youth Parliament was successfully organized with the cooperation of Humanities Department Head Ms. Ranjit Kaur and PRO Manju Mehta.

SIT extends operation to nab former officials implicated in RGPV fraud

Bhopal: High-ranking police officials are closely overseeing the ongoing probe into the alleged financial misconduct totaling Rs 19 crore at Bhopal's renowned Rajiv Gandhi Proudhyogiki Vishwavidyalaya (RGPV).

The Special Investigation Team (SIT) is encountering difficulties in locating the fugitive ex-officials, including former Vice Chancellor Sunil Kumar, former Registrar RS Rajput, and former Finance Controller Rishikesh Verma. Authorities strongly suspect that all three individuals have fled Madhya Pradesh and may be hiding in other states. The trio, accused of financial impropriety, absconded following the filing of a case against them at the Gandhi Nagar police station in Bhopal.

Law enforcement teams are presently conducting searches across four states, withholding the state names to maintain operational secrecy. With lookout notices issued and cash rewards announced, investigators express optimism about soon capturing the suspects.

Meanwhile, the state government-appointed committee tasked with conducting a thorough investigation into RGPV's financial irregularities has yet to convene formally to outline its investigative strategy. The delay is attributed to the absence of a financial expert within the committee.

Committee members await the government's appointment of a financial specialist to kickstart the investigation process.

Ads pre-certified by MCMC can be published on day of polling

Bhopal: Chief Electoral Officer Shri Anupam Rajan said that the election process will be completed in 4 phases in 29 Lok Sabha parliamentary constituencies of Madhya Pradesh. Voting will be held in the first phase in 6 Lok Sabha parliamentary constituencies on April 19, in the second phase in 7 Lok Sabha parliamentary constituencies on April 26, in the third phase in 8 Lok Sabha parliamentary constituencies on May 7 and in the fourth phase in 8 Lok Sabha parliamentary constituencies on May 13.

Rajan said that political advertisements published on the day of voting and a day before voting in the state will have to be pre-certified. Only advertisements pre-certified by the MCMC Committee can be published in print media. For

this, detailed guidelines have been issued by the Election Commission of India.

Rajan said that the Election Commission of India has made special arrangements for political advertisements to be published in print media on the date of voting and the day before voting. As per rules, for pre-certification of advertisements for publication in print media on the day of polling and a day before polling, political parties/applicants have to obtain pre-certification by submitting application to the District/State Level Media Certification and Monitoring Committee (MCMC) two days before the proposed date of publication of the advertisement. Such promotional advertisements can be published in newspapers only after prior certification.

Sewage flowing in front of Hanuman temple

- ✓ Pile of dirt and garbage spread around temple
- ✓ Rambhakt Hanuman surrounded by sewage filth
- ✓ Municipal Corporation taking comfort in title of cleanliness

Bhopal: Ramlala Pran Pratishtha ceremony is going on in the grand temple of Lord Shri Ramchandra in Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while addressing the countrymen on this occasion, has asked to run a cleanliness campaign in all the temples till January 22. Accepting this request of PM Modi, cleanliness is being done in all the temples. From politicians and actors to many celebrities and common people are participating in this work. But in the meantime we are going to show you some pictures which will surprise you. Hanuman ji Maharaj is sitting amidst Gadangi in ward number 10 of the capital Bhopal. There is a temple about 50 to 60 years old in Vajpayee Nagar in front of TB Hospital.

There are cesspools built behind the temple in Vajpayee Nagar, their sewage flows in front of the temple. There is no drain here, due to which sewage flows in the open and due to filth no one comes to the temple. The priests of the temple worship Hanuman ji amidst the foul smell, the situation is such that the devotees do not even come to take the prasad and have darshan. Which is surrounded by sewage water from all sides due to the negligence of the Municipal Corporation and local leaders. Along with sewage, there is a pile of



garbage in front of the temple. There is no place even to sit here. If you want to go to the temple, you have to cross the flowing sewage.

According to residents, people living in Multi throw garbage near the temple. The Municipal Corporation has been informed several times for cleanliness around the temple. But till now those responsible have shown their negligence only. It is to inform you that this problem has been going on for 8 years. On one hand, Bhopal has been ranked fifth in terms of cleanliness at the national level. At the same time, another question arises whether those who gave this title have ignored the filth of Bhopal city.

“I have informed the Municipal Corporation Commissioner, Mayor and local leaders about this problem. The problem remains the same. Sewage has accumulated in front of the temple, while people of Multi throw garbage from the top of their houses around the temple. It is difficult to worship because of the smell and dirt. The problem will be solved by building drains and boundary walls.”
-Pt. Ganga Prasad, priest Hanuman temple

“The file for construction of the drain in front of the temple has been prepared and presented. Due to Lok Sabha elections, a code of conduct has been imposed. The drain will be constructed as soon as the code of conduct is over.”
Saroj Hariom Aseri, Councilor.

“Municipal corporation workers do not come here for cleaning. After cleaning the road they go back, the drains are open. Due to lack of cleanliness, there is a bad smell and mosquitoes are breeding, due to which there is a risk of diseases.”
Gaurav Mehra, resident.

“There is no drain in front of the temple. The authorities have been informed about this. Had just cleaned. I will get the garbage lying around cleaned.”
Sanjay Tak, Cleaning Incharge Municipal Corporation