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Whatever PM Modi says has no weight and is just for elections: Priyanka

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BSF troops fire at Pak drone spotted near IB in J&K's Samba

Jammu: Alert troops of the Border Security Force on Saturday fired at a Pakistan drone hovering close to the International Border in Samba district of Jammu and Kashmir. Official sources said that BSF troops, during midnight, spotted a Pakistani drone near the International Border in Narayanpur area of Ramgarh sector in district Samba. "BSF troops fired a few rounds to push back the drone trying to enter this side of the border," they added. "A search operation was launched in the area suspecting any air dropping," sources said.

Punjabi poet, writer Surjit Patar passes away

Chandigarh: Punjabi poet, eminent writer and Padma Shri recipient Surjit Singh Patar passed away at his résidence in Ashapuri in Ludhiana on Saturday. He was aged 79 and is survived by his wife and two sons. Patar died in his sleep, his family members said. Punjab Vid-han Sabha Speaker Kultar Singh Sandhwan, expressed deep sorrow over the unfortunate demise of Surjit Singh Patar. In a communique, Speaker Sandhwan said that Patar made a significant contribu-tion to spreading the promotion of the Punjabi language across the

One Naxal killed in encounter

Dhamtari (Chhattisgarh): An exchange of fire broke out on Saturday between Naxals and Security Forces in the border areas of Dhamtari and Gariaband, in which one Naxal died on the spot and three to four Naxals were injured, Naxal in-charge SDOP RK Mishra said. Mishra stated that they received intelligence indicating the presence of 15-20 Naxals in the border areas, planning a significant event. Consequently, two police teams were dispatched for an operation, during which the Naxals initiated gunfire, leading to the death of one and injuries to three to four other Naxalites. Today, we got the information that 15-20 Naxals are present in the border areas of Dhamtari and Gariaband and are planning to carry out a big incident.

Over 29,000 devotees pay obeisance at Kedarnath Dham on first day

Rudraprayag (Uttarakhand): Devbhoomi's revered Char Dham Yatra started this month, attracting an unprecedented 29,000 devotees on the first day of the pilgrimage. According to the State Information Department, "The Char Dham Yatra commenced in Uttarakhand on May 10. For the last two days, all three Dhams including Kedarnath, Gangotri and Yamunotri have been bustling. On the first day, a record number of more than 29 thousand pilgrims from India and abroad visited Kedarnath Dham." In line with the instructions of Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami, strong arrangements have been made to ensure that there is no problem at the Kedarnath Dham, Kedarnath footpath, Kedarnath highway and the helipad.

Progress in underground section of Agra Metro gathers momentum

Agra: Work on the remaining segments of the 29.8 km long network of the Agra Metro project has been sped up to ensure that it is completed before the deadline next year. The priority six km sector from the Taj Mahal to the Agra Fort was green-flagged in February. This stretch is unique as it connects the two world heritage monuments, the Taj and the Fort. Tunneling work on the underground section from the Agra Fort station to the Khandari crossing near the ISBY is progressing at a brisk pace.

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CM Mohan Yadav conducts door-to-door campaign in Ujjain

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mo-han Yadav held a door-to-door cam-paign in support of incumbent MP and BJP nominee from Ujjain parliamentary, Anil Firojiya in Ujjain district on Saturday.

CM Yadav campaigned in the Shanti Nagar area under the jurisdiction of Ujjain South Assembly constituency in the district on the last day of campaigning for the fourth phase of Lok Sabha elections in the state. He also distributed voting slips to residents on the occasion.

Ujjain South seat is CM Yadav's constituency from where he contested polls in the recently concluded state assembly elections.
CM said, "I am happy that every



worker of Bharatiya Janata Party is campaigning and distributing voter slips to the public door-to-door in the final round of the campaign. Today is the last day of campaigning

and in two days we will meet people by going door-to-door. I have started today and the party workers have planned the same in the remaining eight Lok Sabha seats in the state. I

then surely we will succeed."

He further applauded Prime Minister Narendra Modi that there was a wave in favour of the PM in the state in the Lok Sabha elections 2024. There is a wave for PM Modi and Congress will be in a bad state," he added.

Earlier, the chief minister also attended a program of the Sikh community at Freeganj Durga Plaza in the district on Saturday morning and met the people from the Sikh com-munity. Ujjain constituency will go to polls in the fourth phase and final phase of Lok Sabha elections in state on May 13 with seven other parliamentary seats which include Dhar, Dewas, Mandsaur, Ratlam, Indore, Khargone, and Khandwa.

ED arrests three more people in money laundering case against **Hemant Soren**

Ranchi: The Directorate of Enforce ment (ED) in Ranchi has arrested three more individuals in connection with a money laundering case linked to an alleged land grab in which ED had earlier arrested former Jhark hand chief minister Hemant Soren.

The accused identified as Sanjeet Kumar, Md Irshad and Tapas Ghosh were arrested on May 9 under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA).

"Directorate of Enforcement (ED) Ranchi has arrested three accused persons namely Sanjeet Kumar, Md Irshad and Tapas Ghosh in case of Bhanu Pratap Prasad and Others, one of the cases of land scam being investigated under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) 2002 on 9/5/2024," the (PMLA), 2002 on 9/5/2024," agency said in a press release.

'If the money has come by filling the tempo, then why didn't he send ED-CBI?

Jitu Patwari taunts PM Modi on funding from Adani-Ambani



Agencies, Mandsaur

MP Congress chief Jitu Patwari addressed a public meeting for the party's nomination in Mandsaur recently. He said that 'BJP Parivar' and Sangh Parivar' have been reduced to 'Modi's family'. Congress has fielded Gurjar from Mandsaur-Neemuch Lok Sabha seat.

Jitu Patwari fiercely targeted PM

promises made during the 2014 elections have been fulfilled so far. People are still waiting for 'Acche Din'. Patwari said, 'Earlier, they used to call BJP and RSS 'BJP Parivar', 'Sangh Parivar', but now the same thing has been reduced to Modi's family."

Narendra Modi. Attacking the PM,

Patwari claimed that none of the

Jitu Patwari said that, "The Prime Minister is claiming that Adani and Ambani have given money to Congress by filling tempos. If this is true and the PM knows it then why did he not send ED and CBI to his house?"

Patwari alleged that "if there is any black money left in the country, it is in the bank account of BJP, which has been revealed through electoral bonds. After raising questions in harsh language, the CM got four FIRs lodged against me in the last eight

'Congress trying to scare country'

PM Modi On Mani Shankar Aiyar's 'Atom Bomb' Remark

Agencies, Kandhamal (Odisha)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched an attack on Congress leader Mani Shankar Aiyar over his 'Pakistan has an atom bomb' remark and accused the party of "finding ways" of scaring the people, adding that 'yeh mare pade log, desh ke mann ko bhi maar rahe hain' (These dead people are also trying to kill the soul of the country).

In an April 15 interview with 'Chill Pill', Aiyar had said that Pakistan is a respected nation that also possesses an atom bomb, so India must enter into a dialogue with them.

Addressing a public meeting in Odisha's Kandhamal, PM Modi took a jibe at Pakistan's economy and said that while the "country had atom bombs," it was looking for someone to sell them but was unable to do so due to its "poor quality."



"Time and again, Congress tries to scare its own country. They say, 'sambhal ke chalo Pakistan ke pass atom bomb hai. Ye mare pade log, desh ke man ko bhi maar rahe hain'. They talk about Pakistan's bomb, but the condition of Pakistan is such that they don't know how to keep them and they are looking for a buyer to sell their bombs but no one wants to

buy them as people know about the quality," the Prime Minister said.

He also took a jab at Pakistan's economy, saying while the "country had atom bombs", it was looking for someone to sell them but was unable to do so due to their poor quality.

He further asserted that the peo ple of Jammu and Kashmir faced terrorism for 60 years because of Con-

Due to this attitude of Congress the people of Jammu and Kashmir faced terrorism for 60 years and the nation witnessed several terror at tacks. Nation will never forget that they used to have meetings with terrorist organisations. They didn't dare to initiate an investigation against them after the 26/11 attack because they did not have the guts to take action against the terrorists involved in

EAM Jaishankar recalls 1998 Pokhran Nuclear test

New Delhi: External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Saturday recalled the 1998 Pokhran nuclear test exercised under the ruling NDA government and said that the decision has since ensured India's National Security.

The minister also asserted that the present ruling government of NDA is moving on the footsteps of the previous 1998 NDA government while aiming at robustly countering terror and building border infrastructure.

"This day in 1998, an NDA Government finally exercised India's nuclear weapon option. That momentous decision has since ensured our National Security. The current NDA Government has built on that foundation, robustly countering terror and building our border infrastructure," EAM posted on X.

AP CM compromised with Centre due to his corruption cases, alleges Rahul

Former Congress President Rahul Gandhi has alleged that Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy has compromised with tre due to his corruption cases.

Addressing an election meeting flanked by APCC President YS Sharmila here on Saturday, the Wayanad MP said that the AP is being run by a 'B' team, stating that B' for 'Babu' (Chandrababu Naidu), 'J' for 'Jagan' and 'P' for 'Pawan Kalyan' (Jana Sena President).

The remote control of Chandrababu Naidu, Jagan Mohan Reddy and Pawan Kalyan is in the hands of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who



is controlling the CBI and the ED, he stated.

The three leaders compromised the self respect of AP to the BJP, he

criticized. Gandhi slammed that the BJP led Centre wants to revamp the Indian Constitution and vowed to protect the Constitution.

Udhampur encounter: J-K police issue sketches of six suspects

Udhampur: The Jammu and Kashmir (J-K) police have announced a cash reward of Rs 5 to Rs 10 lakh for any information on terrorists involved in the recent attack incident in Udhampur district, officials said on Satur-

According to officials, Mohammad Sharif, a member of the Village Defence Guards (VDG), was killed after terrorists opened fire on a VDG patrol party in the Basantgarh area of

Udhampur on April 28.
The J-K police released sketches of six suspected terrorists involved in the incident.

SSP Udhampur Joginder Singh said, on April 28, an encounter took place between militants and VDG members in which a VDG member attained martyrdom.

"They will send all opposition leaders to jail"

Says Arvind Kejriwal in first rally after release from jail

Agencies, New Delhi

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal claimed on Saturday that no other party has been allegedly "harassed to this extent in the 75 years".

He targeted Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who, he said is claiming to "fight" corruption, "but all the thieves are in his party".

He also warned that all the opposition leaders including Chief Ministers Mamata Banerjee, and MK Stal-in would be sent to jail in case the BJP-led NDA comes to power after the 2024 Lok Sabha elections.

ers to jail and will finish them (Nipta denge) ...Our ministers, Hemant Soren (former Jharkhand CM), min-

isters of Mamata Banerjee's party (Trinamool Congress) are in jail...If they (BJP) win again, then Mamata Banerjee, MK Stalin, RJD leader Te-jashwi Yadav, Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, Uddhav Thackeray (UBT Chief) and other opposition leaders will all be in jail...," Kejriwal said while addressing a joint press con-

"...No other party has been harassed to this extent in 75 years. The Prime Minister is saying that he is fighting corruption but all the thieves are in his party," he claimed.

With the end of phase 4, polling

processes in 23 states and union ter-

ritories will be completed. Altogeth-

er polling will be over in 381 seats.

The Assembly polls to Andhra

Pradesh will also be held on Monday.

include Akhilesh Yadav (Kannauj),

Prominent candidates in phase 4

"Decision on Bhojshala will be taken soon:" VD Sharma

Agencies, Dhar

Madhya Pradesh Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) chief VD Sharma said on Saturday regarding the disputed Bhojshala Complex that a decision on Bhojshala would be taken soon and wishes of the people of the area would be fulfilled.

Sharma made the remark while speaking to reporters in Dhar district. He came to attend a youth conference in the Sardarpur area of the

"The construction of a Ram tem-



ple in the country under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi has become history today The Prime Minister has also mentioned about the Bho jshala. Soon the decision on the Bhojshala will also be taken and the voice of the people of the area will be fulfilled," Sharma said.

Earlier, addressing the conference the BJP leader said that the Bhojshala was waiting for someone to bring

Mata Saraswati and she would sit again at her place in the temple.

Maha DyCM attacks **Opposition**

Pune: Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister and BJP's star campaigner, Devendra Fadnavis, on Saturday launched a severe attack on the Opposition and appealed to people to choose between NDA's Pandava Sena and INDIA bloc's Kaurava Sena in the Mahabharata of the ongoing Lok

Sabha elections. "On one hand, we have Vikaspurush Narendra Modi. On other hand, there are opposition leaders like Sanjay Raut who keep making statements like in daily soaps that they will have five prime ministers in five years," he said and wondered "Is this a prime minister or a musical chair competition?'

Agencies, New Delhi The electioneering ended on Saturday in the fourth phase of the Lok Sabha elections that takes place on Monday, when 96 seats from 10 states go to the polls. The process of filing nominations for 96 of these began on April 18. The last date of the nominations in Phase 4 was April 25. All the constituencies of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana will vote in a single phase on May 13.

Ăll seats in Andhra Pradesh (25) and Telangana (17) will go to polls on Monday besides constituencies in Uttar Pradesh (13), Maharashtra (11), Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal (8 each), Bihar (5), Odisha and Jharkhand (4 each) and Jammu and Kashmir (1).





Lok Sabha Elections 2024: Phase 4 campaigning ends





Singh (Begusarai), Adhir Ranjan

Chowdhury (Baharampur), Mahua Moitra (Krishnanagar), Shatrughnan

Sinha (Asansol), Asaduddin Owaisi

(Hyderabad) and YS Sharmila

Of the 96 seats going to polls on



(Telangana), Congress 6, Trinamool Congress 4, TDP 3, BJD, AIMIM and Shiv Sena 2 each and NCP, LJP, JD(U) and NC one each.

The run up to the Phase 4 polling also saw the Election Commission and Opposition I.N.D.I.A. bloc entering into a spat over delay in release of voter turnout data with the former responding to Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge in strong words saying people will hold the doubts raised by him on the electoral process with "contempt".

Kharge hit back saying it was 'puzzling" that the EC was not acting on "communal and casteist" state-













