

Modi: India has political steadiness

NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi asserted on Friday that reforms in all spheres are his government's commitment and that India continues to take several steps to ensure continued growth momentum.

Addressing the Economic Times World Leaders Forum, Modi also said India has political stability and continuity in its policies, and the world sees the country as a bright spot of growth and hope.

"India continues to take several steps to ensure continued growth momentum. India is pushing ahead with reforms across sectors and reforms are our commitment," he said.

The prime minister said the world has many concerns regarding growth as resources are getting weaponised, but India is being seen as a bright spot of growth.

He said the NDA government has a clear roadmap for reforms, with a strong focus on governance. ► P11

26/11 Terror Attacks Cops turn to MHA to serve notice against Hafiz Saeed

MUMBAI: The Mumbai Police have approached the Union Home Ministry to serve the court proclamation orders via Interpol against six absconding accused, including Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) founders Hafiz Saeed and Zaki-ur-Rehman Lakhvi, setting the stage to try them in absentia for their role in the 26/11 terror attacks.

The police, represented by special public prosecutor Ujjwal Nikam, submitted on Friday an interim report on the proclamation order issued in July this year against the absconding accused for initiating the process for trial in absentia. "We have written to the

Omar inaugurates Waste to Wonder garden CM backs Rahul Gandhi's role in holding Govt 'accountable'

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Friday inaugurated a 'Waste to Wonder' flower garden near Polo View in Srinagar, highlighting the need to repurpose discarded items and preserve green spaces amid rapid urban expansion.

Speaking at the inauguration, the chief minister said the initiative demonstrates how waste materials can be creatively reused to enhance public spaces.

"If you walk around and look here, you will see very peculiar items which you could not have imagined would be used in a park;

Community solidarity 'vital' to remove terror, drugs, graft: LG Sinha lays foundation of Amriteshwar Sarovar

JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Friday laid the foundation stone of the Amriteshwar Sarovar under the Jan Sanchay Jan Bhagidari initiative at Dharpur, Sunderbani, in Rajouri district.

During his visit, the Lieutenant Governor paid obeisance at the Shri Amriteshwar Shiv Temple, and prayed for the peace, prosperity, and well-being of one and all.

Addressing a public gathering, the Lieutenant Governor commended the local community and the Shri Amriteshwar Shiv Mandir Vikas Samiti for their collective efforts in establishing and developing the sacred site.

India won't be safe till its borders are secure: Shah

HM targets Mamata over border fencing delay

SILIGURI: Asserting that neither the state nor the country will be safe until its frontiers are secured, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday slammed former West Bengal chief minister Mamata Banerjee over the delay in the India-Bangladesh border fencing, alleging that his "repeated pleas" to her for land to erect the fences fell on deaf ears.

On the second day of his north Bengal tour, Shah hit out at Banerjee while attending a programme organised at the Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) frontier headquarters here for the groundbreaking and foundation stone laying ceremonies of various SSB projects.

"My desperate and repeated pleas to Mamata Banerjee for land to set up border fences by the BSF fell on deaf ears. I had been asking for 1,129 acres of land to strengthen border security since 2014. We received the land parcel only after the Adhikari government was formed in the state," Shah said.

Stating that no previous CMs of the state ever attended programmes of the SSB or the BSF, Shah congratulated Chief Minister Suwendu Adhikari, who flanked the union home minister on the dais, for breaking the glass ceiling.

"Former CMs of Bengal never participated in SSB celebrations despite sending them invitations. The SSB is not a political or-

J&K indivisible part of India: MEA on Pak's protest over US Envoy remarks

"MEA reasserts J&K, Ladakh as 'integral and indivisible' parts of India after Islamabad's protest over US envoy Sergio Gor calling the UT 'part of India'"

NEW DELHI: India on Friday took pot shot at Pakistan for summoning the top US diplomat in Islamabad over comments by US Ambassador to New Delhi Sergio Gor affirming that Jammu and Kashmir is an integral part of India. "I see no reason to comment

LG inaugurates new infrastructure facilities at SKUAST-J Agriculture next big frontier for youth entrepreneurship: Sinha

JAMMU: Asserting that agriculture and allied sectors are the next big frontier for youth entrepreneurship, Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Friday inaugurated a series of agri-infrastructure facilities and urged young people to develop innovative solutions tailored to the region's climatic and local challenges.

Sinha also addressed the launch of the startup outreach programme, which brought together researchers, innovators, young entrepreneurs and farmers from across Jammu division.

The Lieutenant Governor cautioned the youth of Jammu Kashmir against simply replicating foreign models, urging them instead to study their own fields, farmers, climate and local challenges, and to build solutions suited to the region's specific needs.

"Today, there are start-

Demographic imbalance's impact on harmony, youth protests: RSS

VISAKHAPATNAM: The demographic imbalance in some regions and its impact on harmony, the recent youth protests, and related systemic failures were among the issues discussed during the three-day RSS coordination meeting here, a senior Sangh leader said on Friday.

Briefing reporters about the Akhil Bharatiya Samanvay Baithak that concluded here, Saffron outfit leader C R Mukunda said the Jantar Mantar protests reflect "failures" in the system. It cannot be seen merely as an issue of corruption and the government must take steps to address these gaps.

Office-bearers and workers of 32 Sangh-affiliated organisations participated in the coordination meeting, which concluded on August 21.

On demographic changes, he said

BRICS Science Ministerial Meet India eyes bigger global role in science, innovation: Dr Jitendra

NEW DELHI: The 14th BRICS Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) Ministerial Meeting began here with an inaugural address by Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Science and Technology and Earth Sciences and MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr. Jitendra Singh, who defined India's growing global outreach in science, technology and innovation under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Welcoming the delegations from BRICS member countries, Dr. Jitendra Singh said India has chosen "Building for Resilience, Innovation, Cooperation and Sustainability" as the theme of its BRICS Presidency in 2026. The theme re-

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