# PM To Visit Manipur, Four Other States From Sept 13-15; Will Inaugurate Projects Worth Rs 71,850 Crore

New Delhi, Sept 12: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be visiting five states, namely Mizoram, Manipur, Assam, West Bengal and Bihar from 13th to 15th September (Saturday to Monday), to inaugurate and lay the foundation stones of projects worth Rs 71,850 crore, according to the Prime Minister's Office on Friday.

Prime Minister will visit Mizoram and lay the foundation stone and inaugurate multiple development projects worth over Rs 9000 crore at Aizawl, at around 10 AM. He will also address a public function, according to the statement.

While in Manipur, he will lay the foundation stone of multiple development projects worth over Rs 7,300 crore at Churachandpur at around 12:30 PM. He will also address the gathering on the occasion. Further, he will inaugurate various projects worth over Rs 1,200 crore at Imphal, at around 2:30 PM and address a public function.

The Prime Minister will thereafter visit Assam and participate in the celebrations the 100th Anniversary of Bharat Ratna Hazarika Bhupen Guwahati, at around 5 PM. He will also address the gathering on the occasion.

On 14th September, PM Modi will inaugurate and lay the foundation stone of major

**CP Radhakrishnan...** 

upper house. Notably, the Vice President is the ex-offi-

cio chair of the Rajya Šabha. CP Radhakrishnan was born

on May 4, 1957, in Tirupur, Tamil Nadu. He has a long his-

tory of association with the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh

(RSS), joining the organisation at just 16 years old in 1973. This early engagement with RSS laid the foundation for his

later entry into politics, first with the Janata Party and then

the BJP. Over the years, Radhakrishnan has cultivated a

strong ideological connection with the party's core values. Radhakrishnan's political career took off in 1998 when

he won the Coimbatore constituency in the Lok Sabha elec-

tions as a BJP candidate. He retained his seat in the 1999

elections, winning by a significant margin, with over 1.5

lakh votes in 1998 and 55,000 votes in 1999. These victo-

ries came in the aftermath of the Coimbatore bombings,

which boosted the BJP's popularity in the region.

Radhakrishnan's influence grew within the party, and he

eventually became the President of the BJP Tamil Nadu

from 2004 to 2007. During his tenure, he undertook a 93-

day rath yatra (chariot journey) to raise issues like linking

Indian rivers, fighting untouchability, and campaigning

against terrorism in the country. He was also instrumental

in restoring the NDA's alliances in Tamil Nadu when the

Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) severed ties with the

will take as much as a decade to develop," said Singh at

the Defence Tech 2025 Seminar - STRIDE (Synergy of Technology, Research, Industry & Defence Ecosystem)

today at the RSAMI, Pune. He said efforts were also being

made to reduce our dependence on foreign suppliers for

marine engines as well. The Southern Command of the

Indian Army is organising the Defence Tech 2025 Seminar STRIDE (Synergy of Technology, Research, Industry

The seminar, themed "Atmanirbharta through

Partnership - Industry, Academia, Armed Forces," brought

together the nation's leading stakeholders from academia,

industry, research organisations, and the Armed Forces to

foster collaboration, accelerate indigenous capability

development, and promote adoption of disruptive technolo-

gies in defence. The event was attended by Lt. Gen Dhiraj

Seth, PVSM, AVSM, GOC-in-C, Southern Command,

alongside senior Army leadership and distinguished repre-

sentatives from the defence ecosystem. The session, themed

"Fast Tracking Development of Niche Tech for Indigenous

Systems" saw discussions covering reverse engineering,

industry-funded academic research, and DRDO's role.

Deliberations on the growth of the Indian Defence

Manufacturing Ecosystem saw the participants focus on

contributions of private industry, PSUs, and academia. The

seminar marked a step towards building a robust, self-

reliant defence industrial base while nurturing partnerships

Yet another chargesheet has been filed against accused

Firdous Ahmed Ahanger S/o Abdul Rehman Ahanger R/o

Nund Reshi Colony Bemina, Srinagar (currently lodged in

central jail, Srinagar) and Rahil Ahmed S/o Mohd. Yasin

Bhat R/o Illahi Bagh Soura Srinagar (now absconding) for

fraudulently withdrawing huge amount from complainant's

account. Senior Superintendent of Police Crime Jammu,

Benam Tosh confirmed that seven charge-sheets in case

FIR No 30/2013, case FIR No 57/2016, case FIR No.

79/2022, case FIR No. 05/2025, case FIR No. 16/2025, case

FIR No 22/2025 and case FIR No. 29/2025 have been filed

Later, Dr Jitendra Singh visited Border Out Post, BOP-

Paharpur where he was given a detailed briefing on the role

of the border force during the rescue and relief operations

at the time of floods in the area. On the occasion, he

addressed the jawans to appreciate their work during the

natural disaster, saying they played an important role in

saving precious lives. He underlined that the jawans

remained at the forefront and reached the affected people

even before the local civil administration. Dr Singh also

sipped a cup of tea with the jawans. He informed the gath-

ering that the Government of India is committed to build-

flood affected people in border area of Ramgarh in Samba

district. He also met BSF personnel at BOP Tanwar,

Kamore in Samba. He assured that the government is ready

to provide all kinds of assistance to the local administration

in the rehabilitation of the flood affectees. He said Prime

Minister Narendra has already pledged all help for the victims. Over the last few weeks, Dr Jitendra Singh has been

visiting the flood affected parts of his Parliamentary con-

stituency. Last week, he visited Udhampur to reach out to

the victims himself, distributing relief material and show-

ing solidarity with them. He also reviewed the restoration

work on Jammu-Srinagar National Highway.

On the last leg of his visit, Dr Jitendra Singh visited the

in the courts of law for judicial determination.

The Minister also visits...

ing the multi-purpose dam on Ujh river.

to meet the future challenges of national security.

Crime Branch charge ...

& Defence Ecosystem) today at the RSAMI, Pune.

**Operation Sindoor served....** 

infrastructure and industrial development projects worth over Rs 18,530 crore in Assam. He will lay the foundation stone of various projects at Darrang, at around 11 AM and address a public function. Thereafter, he will inaugurate Assam Bioethanol Private Limited, Numaligarh Refinery Plant at Golaghat, at around 1:45 PM. He will also lay the foundation stone of Polypropylene Plant at Golaghat.

On September 15, PM Modi will visit West Bengal and inaugurate the 16th Combined Commanders' Conference-2025 in Kolkata, at around 9:30 AM.

Thereafter, Prime Minister will visit Bihar and inaugurate the new terminal building of Purnea airport at around 2:45 PM. Further, he will also lay the foundation stone and inaugurate multiple development projects worth around Rs 36,000 crore at Purnea and address the gathering on the occasion. He will also launch the National Makhana Board in Bihar.

While in Mizoram, he will lay the foundation stone and inaugurate multiple development projects worth over Rs 9000 crore at Aizawl. These projects will cater to multiple sectors including Railways, Roadways, Energy, Sports among others.

PM Modi will also flag off three new express trains,

Vihar Terminal) Rajdhani express, Sairang-Guwahati Express

will lay the foundation stone of multiple road projects, including the Aizawl Bypass Thenzawl-Sialsuk

Prime Minister will lay the foundation stone of 30 TMTPA (thousand metric



Sairang-Kolkata Express on this occasion.

"Aizawl will now be directly connected with Delhi through a Rajdhani Express. Sairang-Guwahati Express will facilitate movement between Mizoram and Sairang-Kolkata Express will directly connect Mizoram to Kolkata," the statement read.

In a major boost to road infrastructure, Prime Minister Road and Khankawn-Rongura Road.

Prime Minister will also lay the foundation stone of Chhimtuipui River Bridge on the Lawngtlai-Siaha Road, which will provide all-weather connectivity and reduce travel time by two hours. Later on, the foundation stone of Khelo India Multipurpose Indoor Hall for Sports Development will be put. Strengthening the energy

story before. During India's

Emergency in 1975-77, press

freedoms were curbed, oppo-

sition leaders jailed, and dis-

sent crushed. At first, the

government believed strong

control would bring order.

Instead, it created deep scars

and ultimately led to a his-

toric electoral defeat for

Indira Gandhi. The lesson for

per annum) LPG Bottling Plant at Mualkhang in Aizawl. According to the statement, the PM will lay the foundation stone of multiple development projects worth over Rs 7,300 crore at Churachandpur, including the Manipur Urban Roads, drainage and asset management improvement project worth over Rs 3,600 crore; 5 National Highway projects worth more than Rs 2,500 crore; Manipur Infotech Development (MIND) project, Working Women Hostels at 9 locations, among others.

In Assam, PM Modi will lay foundation stone for various projects, including Darrang Medical College & Hospital and GNM School and B.Sc. Nursing College.

Numaligarh Golaghat, Prime Minister will inaugurate the Assam Bioethanol Plant Numaligarh Refinery Limited (NRL) aimed at promoting clean energy and reducing dependence on fossil fuels. He will also ay the foundastone tion Plant at Polypropylene Numaligarh Refinery Limited (NRL) adding significant value to Assam's petrochemical sector.

In line with his commitment to a strong, secure and self-reliant India, Prime Minister will inaugurate and address the 16th Combined Commanders' Conference-2025 in Kolkata on 15th September. Whereas in Bihar, PM will launch the National Makhana Board in Bihar. The Board will promote production and new technology development, strengthen post-harvest management, promote value addition and processing and facilitate market, export and brand development in Makhana, thereby benefiting the Makhana farmers of Bihar and the country.

## **When Democracy Shakes: Lessons** from Nepal for South Asia'

-Komal Nepal today finds itself at a turning point. The decision to ban 26 social media platforms, including Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube, ignited massive protests in Kathmandu and beyond. What began as anger against censorship quickly snowballed into widespread unrest-fueled by corruption, unemployment, and lack of opportunities.

At least 19 people have lost their lives, Prime Minister K.P. Sharma Oli has resigned, and Kathmandu Mayor Balen Shah has suddenly emerged as a national face. The crisis is a reminder that when governments ignore the voice of their people, democracy trembles.

Emergency South Asia has seen this

Nepal is clear: silencing people only delays discontent it never erases it. Sri Lanka's 2022 Uprising Just two years ago, Sri Lanka was shaken by mass protests against economic

collapse. Shortages of food, fuel, and medicine brought people out onto the streets. The movement forced the resignation of President Gotabaya Rajapaksa, showing that no leader can survive if people lose faith in the sys-

Nepal's unrest is different in cause, but similar in nature: ordinary citizens, especially the young, refusing to accept business as

Pakistan's Political Unrest Pakistan too has been in turmoil, with power struggles between governments, opposition, and the military. Public anger often turns into street protests, sometimes violent, showing how fragile governance becomes when institutions lose credibility.

For Nepal, the message is urgent: political battles should not be fought at the cost of public trust.

Demands Democracy Listening

Across South Asia, one truth stands out when leaders stop listening, the people force them to Preventive detention laws, censorship, or bans might offer temporary control, but they cannot replace dialogue, accountability, and trans-

Nepal's crisis should not be seen as the collapse of democracy, but as its test. Protests, however painful, are proof that citizens still believe their voice matters. For South Asia as a whole, the lesson is simple: democracy is strongest not when governments silence anger, but when they engage with it.If leaders in Nepal and across the region can learn

to listen, reform, and include the young in decision-making, then today's unrest may become tomorrow's renewal. Democracy shakes, but it also survives because people refuse to

### SC Agrees To Examine Plea Asking EC To Frame **Rules For Regulation Of Political Parties**

NEW DELHI, Sept 12: The Supreme Court on Friday agreed to examine a plea seeking a direction to the Election Commission of India (ECI) to frame rules for registration and regulation of political parties to promote secularism, transparency and political jus-

A bench of Justices Surya Kant and Joymalya Bagchi issued notice to the Centre, ECI and the Law Commission of India on a plea filed by petitioner in-person Ashwini Kumar Ùpadhyay.

Justice Kant while inclined to issue notice, pointed out no political party was impleaded in the

petition. "They will say that you're asking something to regulate them and they were not here," the bench told Upadhyay and asked him to implead all the national parties registered with the poll

Upadhyay's plea alleged "bogus political parties" not only posed a serious threat to democracy but also maligned the country by appointing hardcore crimikidnappers, drug smugglers and money launderers as national and state office bearers after taking huge amounts of money from them.

"There are no rules and regulations for political parties. Therefore, many separatists have formed their political party to collect donations. Some office bearers of these parties have succeeded in getting police protection also," the plea

Referring to a recent media report, the plea claimed the income tax department found a "fake" political party that was 'converting black money

into white by deducting 20 per cent commission".

"Transparency accountability in the working of political parties are essential in public interest as they perform public function and, therefore, ECI must frame rules and regulations for them," the plea, through lawyer Ashwani Kumar Dubey,

It said the apex court has initiated various reforms to bring transparency and probity in public life.

'The move to regulate

political parties within the

ambit of the Constitution robust democratic functionwould pave the way for ing," it said.

#### **NORTHERN RAILWAY E-Auction Notice**

The Senior Divisional Commercial Manager/FS, Northern Railway, Firozpui for and on behalf of President of India, invites E-Auction from eligible and registered bidders for the following works over Firozpur Division:-

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		Allotment of contract for leasing of parcel
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EAFZR-OSD25-6	23-09-2025 at 11:00 Hours	Allotment of Commercial Publicity rights through Dual Display Information System (DDIS Screens) on 71 UTS/PRS/UTS cum PRS counters at 69 NSG-5 & NSG-6 category Railway Stations over Firozpur Division.	
EAFZR-CTG25-27	23-09-2025 at 11:00 Hours	Allotment of Catering stalls on contract at Sahnewal, Nawan Shahar Doaba, Nakodar, Verka, Jagraon, Firozpur City, Sultanpur Lodhi, & Fazilka Railway Stations.	
EAFZR-CTG25-26	24-09-2025 at 11:00 Hours	Allotment of Catering stalls on contract at Khem Karan, Muktsar, Tarn Taran, Kartarpur, RCF Kapurthala Halt, Gangsar Jaiton & Kotkapura Railway Stations.	
EAFZR-PRKG25-18	25-09-2025 at 12:30 Hours	Allotment of Parking lot on contract at Amritsar and Kapurthala Railway Station.	

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