The dream of one nation, one law, one symbol fulfilled

After effective removal of the provisions of Article 370, the picture has changed: a new start in Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh
Earlier, in most of the schemes and laws framed for the nation, the words ‘except J&K’ were mentioned. Now it has become a thing of the past. The path of peace and development, on which Jammu & Kashmir is moving forward, has paved the way for new industries in the state. Today, Jammu & Kashmir is contributing to the Atma Nirbhar Bharat campaign.”

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi
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Introduction

Dawn of Hopes

With freedom from Article 370 and 35-A, Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee’s resolve of ‘One Nation, One Law and One Head of the nation’ became a reality after 70 years of Independence. As a result, Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, also called the Heaven on Earth, are moving on the path of progress, in step with the rest of the country.

Kashmir is keeping pace with the country

Narendra Modi Government erased the pain of the people by removing the provisions of Article 370 from Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, which had been lagging behind in the race of development for decades. Now it has been brought at par with other states by bringing it into the mainstream. For almost two years now, this region has embarked on a new journey of development. 170 Central laws, which were not applicable earlier, have now been made applicable in this region. At present all the Central laws are applied in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir.
Kashmir had been away from mainstream for decades

Jammu and Kashmir was treated differently from other States of India. This kept the state away from the mainstream.

As per the provisions of Article 370, the Parliament had the right to enact laws with regard to defence, external affairs and communication for Jammu & Kashmir; but to make laws related to any other subject, the Centre had to seek the consent of the state. The Parliament of India could enact laws only on limited subjects in connection with Jammu & Kashmir.

Due to Article 370, most of the sections of the Constitution of India did not apply to the State of Jammu & Kashmir. The people of other states could not purchase land in Jammu & Kashmir. Similarly, the provision of financial emergency as
enshrined in Article 360 of the Constitution of India did not apply to Jammu & Kashmir.

The Central RTI Act also did not apply to Kashmir.

The tenure of the Legislative Assembly of Jammu & Kashmir was 6 years, whereas the tenure of Legislative Assemblies of other States is 5 years.
The need for effective removal of Article 370

The Parliament accorded approval on 5th August 2019, for the removal of the special status given to Jammu & Kashmir under Article 370 and 35 A. Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah had then termed it “a historical step to correct a historical mistake”.

- As a result of the farsightedness of Narendra Modi Government, today, Kashmir is also moving ahead on the path of development along with rest of the country.
- Many laws, like Child Marriage Act, Right to Education and Land Reforms are also effective here, now. Valmiki, Dalit and Gorkha communities, living in the state for decades,
are also now enjoying rights at par with the other residents of the state.

• As per the recommendations of the 15th Finance Commission, the UT of Jammu & Kashmir and UT of Ladakh have been sanctioned a grant of Rs. 30,757 crore and Rs. 5,959 crores respectively, during 2020-21.

• Under the flagship scheme of PMGSY, 5300 KM of roads are being constructed in Jammu & Kashmir. Also, under the Global Investment Summit, MOU’s worth Rs 13,732 crore have been signed.

• On 7 November, 2015, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced a reconstruction scheme of about Rs 80,000 crore known as the Prime Minister’s Development Package, to strengthen the Social-Economic infrastructure and for the development of Jammu & Kashmir. After the reorganisation of the erstwhile state, 53 projects of Rs 58,477 crores in Jammu & Kashmir and 9 projects of Rs 21,441 crore in Ladakh are under progress.
When maximum share of Central money was provided to Jammu & Kashmir historically, why is it not reflected in the development works such as infrastructure, education, health facilities, employment opportunities etc? The youth is being used for political ends and a handful people belonging to the elite sections have benefitted by these funds, while ignoring the younger generation of the state. No one bothered to address the harm inflicted on Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh, and the valley in particular, on the basis of gender, class, caste and nativity, by using article 370. This brought poverty to every household. Crores of Rupees made available by the central Government were siphoned off, on account of corruption. This was the reason; the education system could not be strengthened in Jammu & Kashmir. This Article is anti-woman, anti-poor, anti-scheduled tribes. Due to this article, democracy could not be nurtured in Jammu & Kashmir and corruption increased and reached its peak.

- Amit Shah, Union Home Minister
  (During the debate in Parliament)
Change in the milieu of Jammu & Kashmir, after the effective removal of Article 370 and 35A

- Removal of Article 370 and 35A was approved by the Parliament on 5 August 2019. Soon after the issuance of the notification, Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh were reorganised into two separate UTs from 31st October 2019.

- With this, 170 laws of Central Government, which were not applied earlier, have been applied in this region. Now the local residents and the residents of other states, enjoy the same rights. Out of the 334 State laws, 164 laws have been repealed and 167 laws have been adapted, according to the Indian Constitution.

- For the people living in areas adjoining the international border, a provision of 3% reservation in jobs and educational institutions has been effected.
After one year of freedom from Article 370, elections of Gram panchayats and Zila panchayats were conducted successfully. After many years, Panchayat elections were held in the year 2018 and there was a turnout of 74.1%. In 2019 Block Development Council Elections were held for the first time and the voter turnout was 98.3 Percentage. There was record participation in the recently held district level elections as well.
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4.4 lakh beneficiaries have been verified in Jammu & Kashmir under Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Scheme. Under this scheme, 1.77 lakh treatments have been authorised in the hospitals of Jammu & Kashmir, for which, an amount of Rs 146 crores has been authorised.

Jammu & Kashmir is at the forefront in availing benefits under the PM Kisan Scheme in terms of beneficiary percentage as a ratio of total population. Under this scheme, 12.03 lakh beneficiaries have been included so far.

Benefits to the deprived

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• Under PM Awas Yojana (rural), 1.34 lakh homes have been sanctioned.
• The people of Valmiki community, have the right to cast their vote for the first time, now.
• Domicile law has been applied. According to the new definition of domicile, the persons residing in Jammu & Kashmir for 15 or more years, will be treated as domiciles.
• Displaced refugees from Western Pakistan too, have human and civil rights now. The way has been paved for the resettlement of Kashmiri Pandits ousted from the Kashmir valley in 1990.
• The protection of rights of the women marrying outside Jammu & Kashmir, as well as their children, has been ensured.
For the cultivation of Apple, a market intervention scheme has been implemented. DBT payment’s and transportation by Central procurement Agency under the scheme have stabilized the prices of apple.
Bringing the valley into the mainstream through Employment & Skill Development

Biggest recruitment campaign

10,000 vacancies have been identified in the first phase of the biggest ever recruitment campaign, out of which, 8575 vacancies have been advertised by the Services Selection Board. As a part of the second phase of recruitment campaign, 12379 posts have been identified. The Government of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir is in the process of referring these vacancies to the recruitment agencies. Prime Minister Modi mentioned the Himayat Scheme in the program ‘Mann Ki Baat’. Approval has been accorded for training of 90,792 candidates under the Himayat Scheme.

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Social sector

• Back-to-village scheme has been implemented. Gazetted officers have to stay in the Panchayat and Blocks assigned to them, for two days and one night, to understand the problems of people.

• Saffron is traditionally associated with the famous kashmiri delicacies and its medicinal values are a part of the rich cultural heritage of Kashmir. Kashmiri Kesar has received G.I tag. Now Kashmiri Saffron is reaching even the north-eastern states.

• Ukhu village of Pulwama is all set to receive the tag of “Pencil Wala Gaon”. 90% of the country’s pencil slate is manufactured here and reaches different parts of the country.

• Out of 50 newly sanctioned colleges, 48 colleges have been made operational with around 6,700 students.

• 7 new medical colleges were operated/approved; Also, 5 new Nursing colleges were approved.

• Indian Winter Games were organized at Gulmarg for the first time.
Unprecedented Development of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh under the able leadership of the Prime Minister

- The Nutrition Development program initiated by Hon’ble Prime Minister, gained momentum and the expenditure thereon increased to double in February 2021, as compared to 2018.
- Srinagar’s long-awaited Ram Bagh flyover was opened.
- IIT Jammu got its own campus and the work of AIIMS, Jammu has also started.
- The wait for the Atal Tunnel ended when the Prime Minister dedicated it to the nation.
- Jammu Semi Ring Road and 8.45 km long, new Banihal Tunnel, will be opened this year.
- World’s tallest 467 metre bridge on river Chenab is likely to be completed this year.
- Establishment of Jammu and Kashmir Infrastructure Development Finance
Corporation - 2375 projects at the cost of Rs 7110.78 Crore have been approved. 1100 projects at the cost of Rs. 1555.16 crore, have been completed.

- There is a significant appreciation in the numbers and progress of hydropower projects. The contracts for 1000 MW Pakaldul project and 624 MW Kiru project, have been awarded.
- Implementation of 223 power transmission and distribution schemes.
- With the Jhelum Flood Mitigation Project, there is an increase of 10,000 cusecs in the capacity of river Jhelum. Metro projects in Jammu and Srinagar worth Rs. 10,599 crores are being planned.
Jammu and Kashmir is gaining freedom from terror and moving on the path of development

• After the removal of article 370, the support base of separatists is diminishing. In 2018 fifty-eight, in 2019 seventy and in the year 2020, six leaders of Hurriyat were taken into custody. The security provided to the Hurriyat leaders at government expense has been withdrawn. 82 bank accounts of separatist were frozen.

• The incidents of terror have significantly declined and there is a new found atmosphere of peace and security in the valley.

Kashmir has always been an integral part of India but this decision will ensure that there will no more be दो निशान-दो सविधान in J&K.
This decision is a tribute to all the patriots who made the supreme sacrifice for a united India.
Congratulations to the entire nation.
Tourism will shine again

In Jammu-Kashmir and Ladakh, places are being identified for development as Tourist destinations. A total of 137 peaks of Himalayas have been opened for foreign tourists out of which, 15 mountain peaks are in Jammu-Kashmir and Ladakh.
Development will gain momentum

• Work on Shahpur - Kandi dam project, which was stalled for 40 years, has been started again. Ratle hydropower project work is also being resumed.

• Approval has been provided for the establishment of AIIMS, one each in Jammu and Kashmir.

• The central government has accelerated work on Individual Beneficiary and flagship schemes in Jammu & Kashmir.

• Development under Prime Minister’s development package 2015 of about Rs 80,000 Crore - 20 projects have been completed and the rest are at different stages of implementation.

• Central government has announced the establishment of a Central University along with a Centre for Buddhist studies in Ladakh.

• Administrative reforms - Merger and rationalisation of overlapping functions in
Engineering, Industries, Tourism, Finance and Technical education departments have been effected.

"Today, the development of the people of Jammu and Kashmir, is one of top priorities of our government. Whether it is women empowerment, opportunities for youth, welfare of dalits, downtrodden, oppressed and deprived or about statutory and Basic rights of the people, our government is taking decisions for the betterment of the state. Jammu & Kashmir has a great heritage and it’s graceful people are adopting as well as suggesting new ways to make the state stronger.

- PM Narendra Modi"
Industrial Development
for Atma Nirbhar Jammu & Kashmir

With the motto of Antyodaya and “Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas Aur Sabka Vishwas”, Central government has accelerated the pace of development in Jammu & Kashmir, which had been neglected for decades. It is for the first time that under an industrial promotion scheme of Government of India, industrial development will be taken to the block level in Jammu & Kashmir. Under the new central scheme, incentives worth Rs. 28,400 crores over the next 15 years, will open new doors of development in the state.
• Approval of the new central sector scheme of Rs. 28,400 crores for Jammu & Kashmir - Until now, Rs. 1,123.84 crores have been provided under various schemes of the package.

• Modi Government has opened new avenues for development of Jammu & Kashmir - This initiative will provide a major boost to domestic manufacturing of different types of products and services. It will help reduce dependence on imports and will simultaneously increase export capacity. The new scheme has been made attractive for both large and small units of MSME’s.

• For the industrial development of Jammu & Kashmir under the new central scheme, Rs 28,400 crore will be spent up till 2037. Under this scheme, industries will be promoted and a new chapter of industrialisation will be ushered.

• The scheme is designed for bringing about a massive change in the current industrial eco- system of Jammu & Kashmir by focusing especially on employment generation, skill development and sustainable development.

• Apart from employment generation in the primary sector, another 4.5 Lakh direct and
indirect employment is expected to result from the scheme in agriculture, horticulture, sericulture, fisheries, animal husbandry and dairy industry.

- On the investment made in manufacturing and Services sector, a capital investment of Rs. 5 cr. and 7.5 cr. in Zone A and Zone B respectively, will be provided under the scheme.

- For investment in manufacturing and Services sector, a capital interest subvention at the annual rate of 6% interest, for a maximum of 7 years on the loan amount of up to Rs. 500 cr., will be provided.

- A 300% GST linked incentive, on the eligible value of original investment will be provided for 10 years, on investment in manufacturing and services sector.

- All the existing units will be provided an interest incentive on working capital of up to Rs 1 crore, for a maximum of 5 years at an annual rate of 5 %. New investment would also be similarly encouraged.

- This is expected to make Jammu & Kashmir a preferred destination for investment and a conducive place for industrial growth.
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 Modi Govt ushers in an era of the development of Jammu-Kashmir
 Approval to the new central scheme for industrial development of Jammu-Kashmir.

 Development and employment generation to take place in the Union Territory of Jammu-Kashmir.

 Opportunities of direct and indirect employment (approximately 45 Lakhs people)

 Industrialisation would generate employment in areas of agriculture, horticulture, silk industry, fisheries, animal husbandry, including dairy industry.

 New investment in Jammu-Kashmir would create sustainable development.

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 Incentives to eligible industrial units under the Scheme

 - Incentive for capital investment (up to Rs. 7.5 Crores)
 - Capital interest (at the rate of 6% for the 7 years on capital investment loans, up to Rs. 500 Crores)
 - GST linked incentives

 - Working capital interest subvention (at the rate of 5% for the 5 years)

 Modi Government opens new vistas for the development of Jammu-Kashmir
 Approval to the new central scheme for industrial development of Jammu-Kashmir

 Jammu-Kashmir is becoming a preferred destination for investment

 - Building an atmosphere of industrial development in Jammu-Kashmir
 - Enabling Jammu-Kashmir to compete at the national level
 - Estimated expenditure of Rs. 28,400 crores
 - Industrial development at block level in Jammu-Kashmir

 It aims to make Jammu & Kashmir capable of competing at the national level.
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Approval of new central scheme for the industrial development of Jammu-Kashmir

Entrepreneurship would empower Aatma Nirbhar Bharat

- Developing industries of Jammu-Kashmir and incentivising new investment
- Emphasis on domestic manufacturing
- Reduction of dependence on imports and boosting export capacity

Promotion of industrial development in Jammu-Kashmir

Approval of new central scheme for the Industrial development of Jammu-Kashmir

An amount of Rs. 28,400 Crores would be spent during the period 2020-21 to 2036-37

- A capital investment of Rs. 5 cr. and 7.5 cr. in Zone A and Zone B respectively on investments in manufacturing and Services sector.
- Capital interest subsidy of 6 % at the annual rate of interest, for a maximum of 7 years on loan amount of up to Rs. 500 cr
- 300% GST linked incentive on the eligible value of original investment will be provided for 10 years on investment
- The existing units will be provided an interest subsidy on the working capital of up to Rs 1 cr. for a maximum of 5 years at an annual rate of 5 %.
"Every village of Jammu-Kashmir has been electrified. The villages of this region are now free from open defecation. The mission to provide roads in every village and water supply to every household, is progressing rapidly in Jammu-Kashmir. The strengthening of local governance in Jammu-Kashmir, would further accelerate its development."

Main advantages

This scheme will provide special focus on employment generation, skill development and wholesome development and bring about a holistic change in the existing industrial ecosystem of Jammu-Kashmir.

Would promote domestic manufacturing of various products & services.

Will help in reducing dependence on imports and increase export capacity.

Promotion of industrial development in Jammu-Kashmir

Would generate approximately 45 Lakh direct & indirect employment, besides primary sector employment.

This scheme would help industrial development reach the block level of Jammu-Kashmir which would be a first under any industrial development scheme of Government of India.
The name of Pulwama would no longer evoke the image of the terror attack of 14th February, 2019. Instead, it would present the picture of a new India. On the initiative of central government, Ukkhu village of Pulwama is being given the tag of “Pencil wala Gaon”. That’s why, Pulwama would now be known in the field of education as a
village of children’s alphabet learning pencil. The hands wielding the pencil anywhere in country, may have not guessed where the pencil was manufactured and reached them. It is a pleasant fact that 90% of pencils in India originate from the same Pulwama.

Ukkhu village of Pulwama is now proceeding apace to become a manufacturing hub. After the removal of Article-370, Kashmir is raring to gallop on the path of development. Central Govt. is also inclined to link Jammu-Kashmir with the mainstream of development. In the past one-year, new dimensions of development have been added in various sectors of Jammu-Kashmir and Central govt.’s initiative to provide a new identity as “Pencil wala Zila” to Pulwama district, is a part of the same.

Up till now, Ukkhu village of Pulwama used to send only pencil slats (strip of wood) to the entire country for preparing pencils. But now, the whole country would be supplied finished pencils manufactured completely in Pulwama. Now, this village would develop as a special zone. While more than 400 people of this village have been associated with this business till now, the opportunities of employment will now increase
further. This village had earned a revenue of 107 Crores from the business of pencil manufacturing last year. Similarly, villages of Anantnag are also making pencil templates. After getting the tag of “Pencil wala Gaon”, the people of Ukkhu village would also get subsidies for the further growth of pencil Industry. It would also help increase the size of business.

In 1960’s, Devdar trees were used to produce pencils. But this would result in damage to forest and environment. Therefore, Poplar trees began to replace Devdar. Only 10% of wood for pencil making is sourced from Kerala. The remaining demand of wood is supplied from Pulwama. From world famous cricket bats to intricate woodwork, Kashmir needs new markets for its products. In this context, this initiative of Central Govt. would strengthen ‘Vocal for local’ and provide a boost to handicrafts and Atam Nirbhar Bharat. Instead of just raw material, a finished pencil from Pulwama would now be in the hands of all Indians.
Success Stories

Got Pucca House -
Shafi of Poonchh becomes fan of PM Narendra Modi

Mohd. Shafi of Poonchh District residing in the border area of Jammu-Kashmir, was earlier compelled to live in other’s houses. He later made a Kachcha house. But in this snowfall prone area, a kachcha house was rather uncomfortable to live in. On the initiative of Poonchh district administration, Shafi got a pucca house under Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojna. Highly pleased with his pucca house, Shafi Says “I thank Modi Sahab,
from the depth of my heart”. In fact, in Solatri village, situated in Mankot Tahsil of Poonchh district, half a dozen houses have been handed over to the beneficiaries under this Central Government scheme. Ruksana Kosar who has also benefitted from this scheme, says, “We were earlier compelled to live in hardship. But, now we are living comfortably”. Up till now, more than 2 crores houses have been constructed in the rural areas of the nation since 2014 to fulfil the hope of poor people for a roof over their heads. Now the dream of poor, of having a pucca house is being fulfilled by the Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojna.

Kunjes of Ladakh is the new icon of young women

Kunjes Angmo, a 29 year women entrepreneur, working in the field of handloom is an example of how the Atma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyan is fulfilling the dreams of youth. After completing her study 3 years ago, she wanted to do something by residing in Ladakh only. Pradhan Mantri Employment generation programme of Central Govt. played a key role in helping her accomplish her dream. Angmo narrates that 3 years ago, when she was thinking about enterprise, she got to know about
the Pradhan Mantri Employment generation programme and obtained a loan under it. Kunjes is not only self-reliant now, but is also providing employment to 100 women locally.

**Hazia Fatima Bano, a harbinger of development**

After becoming Union territories, Jammu-Kashmir & Ladakh have started moving rapidly in the direction of development in a true sense. A sentinel of this development is a woman farmer Hazia Fatima Bano of Ladakh who has been awarded several awards, including the best farmer award for unique farming. She started growing vegetables on a large scale and became a source of inspiration in her area.
I salute the courage & spirit of my Sisters & Brothers from Jammu-Kashmir. Over the years, some selfish elements have misguided the people and ignored development through emotional blackmail. Now Jammu-Kashmir and Ladakh are free from the clutches of such people. They are ready for a new dawn and a better tomorrow.

- PM Narendra Modi
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