

Omar Abdullah to Take Oath as J&K CM | Jammu & Kashmir | 15 Oct 2024

Why in News?

Recently, elections were concluded in the <u>Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir</u>, and a new <u>Chief</u> <u>Minister</u> is to be appointed along with the revocation of <u>President's Rule</u>.

Key Points

- President's Rule Revoked:
 - Following the election results, **President's Rule** was revoked in J&K.
 - The revocation process involves the President issuing a proclamation based on a report from the <u>Governor or</u> <u>Lieutenant Governor (LG)</u>, citing that conditions for forming a government are favorable after elections.
 - President's Rule:
 - Article 356 of the Indian Constitution allows the President to impose direct governance (President's Rule) in a state when the state government is unable to function as per constitutional provisions.
- Governor's Role (Now LG):
 - Under **Article 164**, the **LG (previously Governor)** plays a key role in inviting the leader of the majority party or coalition to form the government.
 - The LG ensures the formation of a government that enjoys majority support in the legislature.
- Oath of Office:
 - As per Article 164(3), the CM and other ministers are administered the oath of office by the Governor (or LG in Union Territories).
 - The oath signifies allegiance to the Constitution and the discharge of duties in accordance with the law.
- Legislative Assembly's Role:
 - The newly formed Legislative Assembly in J&K, reinstated post-elections, will have the authority to enact laws, approve budgets, and represent the people of the Union Territory.
 - The CM will head the executive arm of the government, accountable to the Legislative Assembly.

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