



Vice-President to Visit Jammu

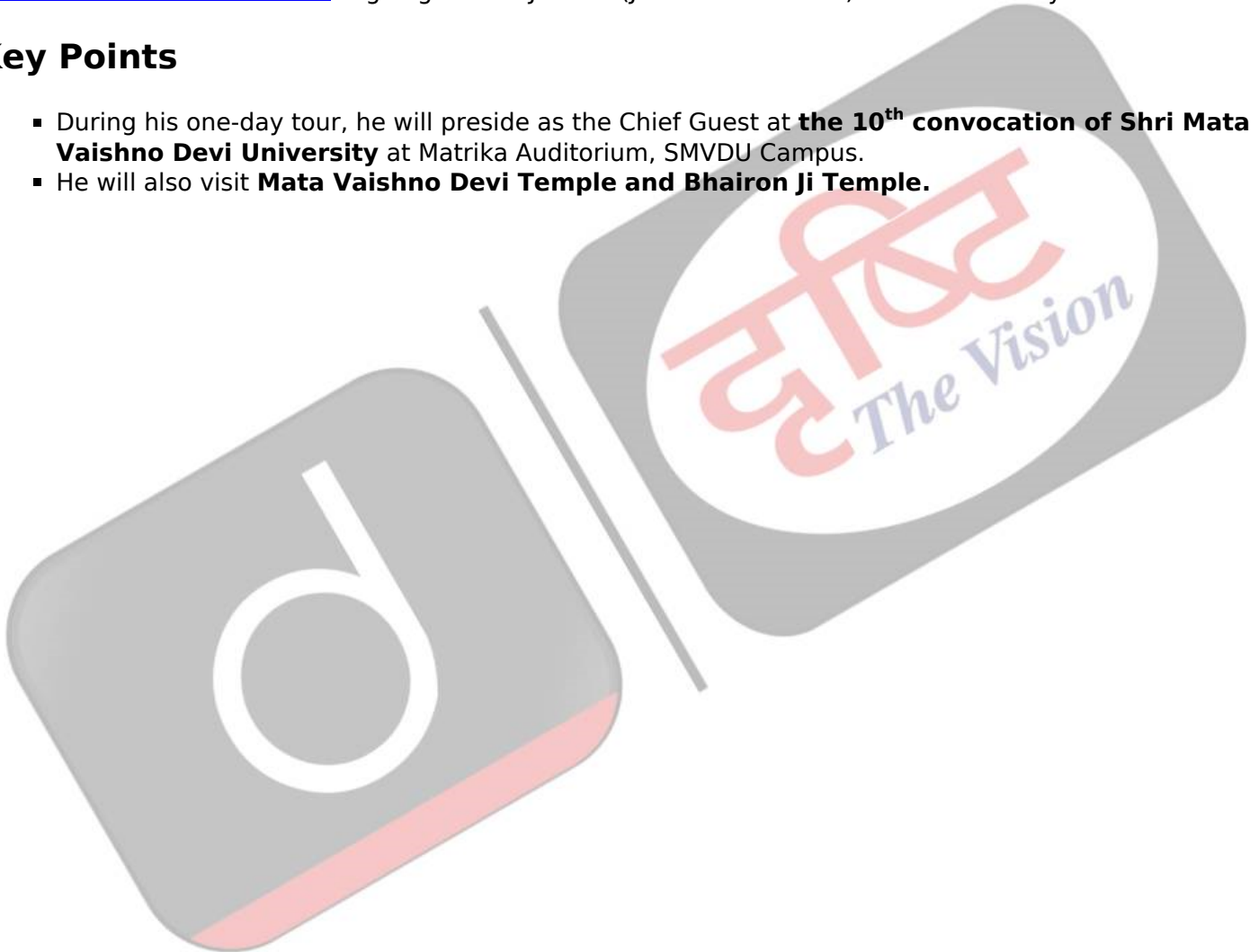
Why in News?

[The Vice-President of India](#) is going to visit Jammu (Jammu & Kashmir) on 15th February 2025.

Key Points

- During his one-day tour, he will preside as the Chief Guest at **the 10th convocation of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University** at Matrika Auditorium, SMVDU Campus.
- He will also visit **Mata Vaishno Devi Temple and Bhairon Ji Temple.**

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Vice-President of India

Occupies the second highest office in the country after President



Origin

Modelled on the lines of the American Vice-President

Const. Provisions

Article 63-71

Election

Indirectly elected by an electoral college

This electoral college consists of the elected members of LS and RS + nominated members of RS but not the members of State LAs (unlike electoral college for Presidential election)



The power of conducting elections to the office of VP rests with the ECI (Article 324)

Qualification

Citizen of India - at least 35 years of age

First VP and Current VP

Dr. S. Radhakrishnan
Jagdeep Dhankhar

Term of Office

5 years; eligible for re-election

Removal from Office

- VP may resign
- Removal by a effective majority of RS (all the then members) and LS agreeing to it (simple majority)
 - Resolution for removal is introduced only in RS
- Constitution mentions no ground for removal

Powers

- Ex-officio Chairman of RS - Powers and functions similar to the LS Speaker
- Acts as President (max 6 months) - when a vacancy occurs in his office

This is different from the office of American VP who succeeds to the Presidency when the office falls vacant

When acting as the President, VP does not perform the functions of the Chairman of RS



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