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“More than 4,500 devotees set off to the holy Cave Shrine in the first batch for the darshan of Baba Barfani today. Jammu city has come alive with a new vibrancy. The enthusiasm of pilgrims is very high.

Undeterred by terror incidents, devotees of Bhole Baba are arriving in huge numbers, demonstrating their immense faith. I hope that this year's Yatra will be even more historic than previous years,” the Lieutenant Governor said.

Eminent spiritual leaders; heads of religious organizations; public representatives; senior officers of civil administration, Police, security forces and Shri Amarnath Ji Shrine Board, prominent citizens, and devotees in large number were present at the Flag-off ceremony.

Daati Maa Dev.....

of India to the inclusive development of the border areas.

“Border areas are the first line of defence. Vibrant Village Programme is transforming our border villages through improved infrastructure, and it will be ensured that the villages of this area will be taken up under the programme,” he said.

Responding to the demands, the Lieutenant Governor assured that appropriate steps will be taken by the GoI to bring the sacred Daati Maa Dev Sthan on the religious tourism map.

The Lieutenant Governor appreciated all the members of Akhil Bharatiya Mahajan Phagetra Biradari for their valuable contribution to the development of the Daati Maa Dev Sthan.

Shri Rajeev Kumar, Member of Legislative Assembly from Bishnah; Shri Ramesh Kumar, Divisional Commissioner Jammu; Shri Rajesh Gupta, President VHP Jammu Kashmir & Ladakh; Shri Bharat Choudhary, President and other members of Akhil Bharatiya Mahajan Phagetra Biradari, prominent citizens and people from all walks of life were present.

Locals, civil.....

to the yatris.
Mohammad Iqbal Ahanger, a local social activist, said the people of Jammu and Kashmir take pride in hosting the pilgrims. “Kashmir is known for its hospitality. We are here to welcome and protect every yatri,” he said.

Civil society member Ahamadullah Wani said, “Through our civil society, we want to send a message of brotherhood. The Amarnath pilgrims are our guests, and we are proud to host them.”

Shah Fayaz, a local volunteer from Baltal, said, “Welcoming the yatris gives us happiness. It is our tradition and part of Kashmiriyat to treat guests like family. We are here to serve.”

Abdul Ahad, an elderly resident of Kulgam who stood near the main road with a group of villagers offering juice and water, shared, “I’ve been doing this for years. Yatra is not only a religious journey; it connects people. Their blessings are our reward.”

Imtiyaz Ahmad from Srinagar, who had come with his young children to greet the yatris, said, “This is a beautiful moment of unity. We want our visitors to feel safe and loved here in our land.”

At the Shadipora base camp, Sajid Rasool was busy arranging refreshments for the new arrivals. “They’ve travelled far with devotion in their hearts. It’s our duty to welcome them with equal devotion,” he said.

The local gesture of warmth moved many of the pilgrims, who expressed surprise and gratitude for the hospitality.
KULGAM, SRINAGAR ADMIN EXTEND WARM WELCOME

District administrations in Kulgam and Srinagar also extended a warm welcome at Nayvug Tunnel in Qazigund and in the summer capital.

Deputy Commissioner Kulgam. Athar Aamir Khan, said, “There is joy all around. Members of civil society, trade bodies, apple growers, and the administration have come together to welcome the pilgrims. We wholeheartedly welcome all visitors to Jammu and Kashmir.”

Director General of Police Nalin Prabhat visited the Navyug tunnel to take stock of the security arrangements and interacted with police personnel deployed along the Amarnath Yatra route.

Police officers, including Deputy Inspector General (DIG) South Kashmir Range, Javid Iqbal Matoi, and SSP Kulgam also received the yatris in Qazigund.

Pertinently, the first batch of over 5,485 pilgrims reached the twin base camps at Pahalgam and Baltal after being flagged off from Jammu by Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha. The Yatra will commence on July 3 from Kashmir and conclude on August 9, coinciding with Raksha Bandhan.

The pilgrimage is expected to attract lakhs of devotees to the sacred cave shrine situated at an altitude of 3,880 metres.

Women ‘May.....

The pilgrimage to the 3,880-metre high shrine will commence on July 3 from the

Kashmir valley via two tracks – the traditional 48-km Nunwan-Pahalgam route in Anantnag district and the 14-km shorter but steeper Baltal route in the Ganderbal district.

The CRPF has deployed a team of its women personnel wearing ‘May I Help You’ embossed orange vests along the Baltal route to help female pilgrims along the route from the base camp and the entry point at ‘Domail’.

These teams will be stationed at vital locations, officials said.

“The force is committed to conducting a safe Amarnath Yatra for the pilgrims in coordination with all stakeholders. All our teams are tasked to render timely assistance to the pilgrims and also provide a strong security cover,” CRPF deputy inspector general and joint nodal officer for the Yatra, Sudhir Kumar, said.

Kumar, who supervised the yatra last year too, said all security arrangements are in place for the event, taking place against the backdrop of the April 22 gunning down of 26 men in Pahalgam in a terrorist attack.

The CRPF has also deployed a team comprising 30 personnel as part of its mountain rescue teams (MRTs) along the two journey tracks. They will help in rescuing pilgrims in case of medical complications, which usually occur due to high altitude, and respond to any natural or man-made disaster, a senior officer said.

The yatra will conclude on August 9. More than 3.31 lakh devotees have registered so far for this year's pilgrimage.

Pilgrims reach.....

administration has put in place comprehensive arrangements including medical facilities, sanitation services, and round-the-clock security. These measures reflect the commitment of the district authorities to uphold the highest standards of service and care during the Yatra.

The pilgrims expressed their gratitude and appreciation for the rousing reception and proactive support extended by both the Civil and Police Administration.

The district administration reiterated its resolve to provide all necessary assistance and continue its efforts to make the Yatra smooth, safe, and spiritually fulfilling for all participants.

Officers on.....

DGP Prabhat inspected the security setup at Nayvug Tunnel in Qazigund and interacted with police personnel deployed on ground. He also met the pilgrims and took firsthand stock of the arrangements in place to ensure their safety.

Speaking to reporters during his visit, the DGP said all officers are on the ground ensuring peaceful conduct of the Yatra.

The visit came at a time when the first batch of 5,485 pilgrims reached Kashmir amid unprecedented security measures.

The 38-day Yatra is being conducted through twin routes—Baltal in Ganderbal and Pahalgam in Anantnag—with a robust multi-tier security grid. (KNO)

Rajiv Ranjan.....

between the Centre and J&K Government to convert potential into outcomes, adding that rural prosperity can only be achieved when economic development reaches the grassroots through sustainable livelihoods.

Union Minister said that encouraging youth to enter micro and small-scale livestock and fishery enterprises can generate employment and inclusive growth.

He informed that a detailed plan is being drawn up involving key national institutions like the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) and National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) to build strong infrastructure and link farmers to markets.

He also announced the government's intention to hold an Exporters' Conference and a Private Sector Investment Conference in J&K to boost entrepreneurship.

Emphasizing the need to shift dairy operations from the unorganized to the organized sector, the Minister stressed the importance of cooperatives and Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs).

He cited the example of dairy cooperatives in Varanasi where milk production increased manifold, and additional income was being earned even from cattle waste. He urged J&K's officials to study and replicate such successful models.

Chief Minister Omar Abdullah thanked the Union Minister for his visit and reiterated the significance of such joint reviews in identifying local priorities and learning from national best practices.

He observed that in J&K, large industries and factories have not always yielded sustainable results, and the real opportunity lies in strengthening traditional sectors like agriculture, horticulture, livestock, fisheries, and tourism. “Our strength lies in these sectors—not in chasing elusive factories. We must build on what is rooted in J&K,” he said.

The Chief Minister highlighted that while J&K contributes 90% of India's trout production, the sector lacks organized

processing and value addition. Similarly, despite high per capita meat consumption, much of the mutton is sourced from outside. He emphasized that self-sufficiency in meeting domestic demand can significantly improve incomes and reduce imports. He also spoke about the gradual decline of cooperatives in the dairy sector and assured that his government is committed to reviving cooperative culture and linking milk producers to formal processing networks.

Referring to the Holistic Agriculture Development Program (HADP), the Chief Minister said the initiative was launched to address critical gaps in oilseed production, fodder, dairy, mutton, and fisheries. He appreciated the Union Government's support and assured that all valuable suggestions made during the review would be implemented with sincerity and urgency.

During the event, the Union Minister and Chief Minister virtually inaugurated a 50,000 litres per day Ultra High Temperature (UHT) Milk Plant at Satwari, Jammu, and held interactions with progressive dairy farmers, who shared their experiences of improved incomes and organized procurement process through cooperative societies.

The meeting concluded with both leaders reaffirming their shared vision for transforming Animal Husbandry and Fisheries into vibrant, employment-generating sectors in J&K. It was resolved to implement joint strategies for infrastructure expansion, market linkages, entrepreneurship development, and cooperatives' revival, aimed at building a resilient rural economy.

Earlier, Principal Secretary Shailendra Kumar gave a detailed presentation on the performance of the Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Departments, noting that the sectors contribute ₹12,634 crore—6.25% of J&K's GDP. The livestock population includes 24.54 lakh cattle, 31 lakh sheep, 15 lakh goats, and 73 lakh backyard poultry, with annual milk production at 2,875 TMT and trout accounting for 90% of the national output.

The presentation highlighted achievements under major schemes. Under the National Livestock Mission, 2.9 lakh animals were insured and Sheep AI Centres established. Livestock Health & Disease Control facilitated mass vaccinations and the deployment of 50 Mobile Veterinary Units has been made. The meeting was informed that NADCP has covered over 96 lakh vaccinations, and Rashtriya Gokul Mission has expanded AI services and trained over 1,500 MAITRIs. PMMSY has supported aquaculture infrastructure, ornamental fisheries, and RAS units, benefiting nearly 80,000 individuals.

Under the National Program for Dairy Development, JKMPCL is targeting ₹500 crore turnover by 2025–26, with two new milk plants underway at a cost of ₹258.10 crore. Over 11.33 lakh Kisan Credit Cards have been issued, including 2.46 lakh for AH&F. The AHIDF has achieved a 73% sanction rate, enabling private investments in dairy and poultry infrastructure.

It was noted that ₹5,013 crore Holistic Agriculture Development Program includes ₹1,364 crore for livestock and fisheries, aiming at self-sufficiency in milk, mutton, and eggs. More than 1,800 Pashu Sakhis have been deployed, and 500 hydroponic fodder units are being set up to address green fodder needs.

It was stated that digitization is advancing through platforms like the Kisan Sathi Portal, Daksh Kisan LMS, and the Output Tracking App. Over 2,000 Kisan Khidmat Ghars are being established to deliver agricultural services at the grassroots level.

The department's reform efforts have earned national recognition, including the SKOCH Gold Award, Innovation Leadership Award, and the Best UT in Fisheries Award for 2024.

Retired from.....

the mounting pressure on government finances due to litigation. He noted that with over 60 lakh pensioners today – a figure that now exceeds the number of serving Central Government employees – the challenges of pension administration have entered a new phase that requires urgent institutional coordination and systemic reforms.

“Pension-related litigation often arises from misinterpretation of rules, and unresolved grievances can lead to unnecessary hardship for senior citizens,” Dr. Jitendra Singh said. Currently, over 300 pension-related cases are pending in various forums, with nearly 70% before Central Administrative Tribunals (CAT). The Minister acknowledged that the Government is impleaded in nearly all of these cases, indicating the systemic nature of the problem.

“Litigation is usually the last resort, not the first,” the Minister said, cautioning against underestimating the griev-

ances of pensioners. He also reflected on how, in many cases, both winning and losing parties in tribunals often appeal further, underlining the depth of discontent and the challenge of resolution.

To address these concerns, the workshop focused on legal training for nodal officers, stronger real-time coordination with the Department of Legal Affairs, and the potential use of technology – including AI-driven dashboards and repositories – to improve decision-making and case tracking.

However, Dr. Jitendra Singh emphasized that no algorithm can replace human empathy and administrative sensitivity. “AI can assist, but welfare must be guided by intelligence of the humane kind,” he remarked.

He ended on a poignant note, calling for a mindset shift in how retirees are viewed: “They may retire from government service, but not from serving the nation.”

As part of the workshop proceedings, Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh launched a set of key publications and initiatives aimed at enhancing awareness and grievance redressal mechanisms related to pension matters. These included a Compendium of Case Studies on Pension Litigation, a Flyer on Pension Litigation, and a Booklet on last year's Special Campaign on Family Pensioners' Grievances. He also formally launched the Special Campaign 2.0, a month-long nationwide drive dedicated to resolving pending grievances of family pensioners and super senior pensioners. These initiatives are expected to support capacity building, promote best practices, and ensure targeted outreach to some of the most vulnerable sections among pensioners.

Joining the workshop virtually, Attorney General of India R. Venkataramani stressed the need for a structured national approach to litigation management, with a special focus on pension disputes. He proposed an ambitious target of achieving “zero pension litigation” by 2028 through anticipatory administrative measures, timely grievance resolution, and a culture of accountability. Emphasising the unique nature of pension litigation compared to other service-related legal matters, he advocated for the adoption of mediation and conciliatory mechanisms as viable alternatives to adversarial proceedings. The Attorney General also highlighted chronic delays in processing pension claims – particularly for armed forces personnel – and called for the use of digital tools to improve real-time coordination between nodal officers, law officers, and his office. He proposed establishing a digitally connected standing platform to monitor and manage litigation across departments. “Pursuit of happiness,” he said, “should extend to our retirees,” urging all stakeholders to work collectively to ensure that pensioners are not left to navigate legal complexities in their twilight years.

Earlier in the day, Secretary of the Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare, V. Srinivas, outlined the rationale behind convening the National Workshop, stating that the initiative was conceived to strengthen the capacities of nodal officers, streamline administrative processes, and reduce avoidable pension-related litigation. He emphasised the need to address recurring legal disputes, eliminate anomalies in notifications, avoid contempt cases, and build a robust knowledge management system.

Highlighting recent reforms, Secretary pointed to the launch of the CCS Pension Rules, NPS Rules, and Extraordinary Pension Rules in 2021 as key legislative milestones. He noted the digital empowerment of pensioners, including the integration of pension portals with banks and the submission of over 4.6 crore Digital Life Certificates.

Citing the Department's experience of being party to nearly 6,000 pension-related court cases, he stressed the urgency of efficient legal coordination and early-stage policy vetting. The Secretary also announced upcoming initiatives, including inter-ministerial consultations on the CCS Unified Pension Scheme Rules 2025 and a month-long national family pension awareness campaign starting July 1.

The plenary session of the workshop was graced by a distinguished panel of dignitaries, including Secretary (Ex-Servicemen Welfare), Dr. Niten Chandra; Secretary (Law), Dr.

Anju Rathi Rana; Learned Additional Solicitor General, Vikramjit Banerjee; Hon'ble Member (A), CAT Delhi, Dr. Chhabendra Roul; and Joint Secretary (Pension), Dhruvajyoti Sengupta.

No lineage.....

ICMR's National Institute of Epidemiology (NIE), was titled “Factors Associated with Unexplained Sudden Deaths Among Adults Aged 18–45 Years in India – A Multicentric Matched Case–Control Study.” Conducted from May to August 2023 across 47 tertiary care hospitals in 19 states and Union Territories, the study examined individuals who died suddenly between October 2021 and March 2023. The results categorically established that COVID-19 vaccination did not increase the risk of sudden death in healthy adults.

The second study, currently being conducted by AIIMS, New Delhi, in collaboration with ICMR, is a prospective investigation titled “Establishing the Cause in Sudden Unexplained Deaths in Young.” Initial findings reaffirm that myocardial infarction (heart attack) remains the leading cause of sudden death among young adults. Notably, no significant deviation in cause patterns was observed when compared to pre-pandemic data. Genetic mutations have also emerged as a contributing factor in several unexplained cases.

Health experts and scientists have reiterated that COVID-19 vaccines in India are safe and effective, with extremely rare serious side effects. They have strongly condemned speculative claims linking vaccinations to sudden deaths, labelling them as false, misleading, and damaging to public health efforts.

“Unverified and alarmist narratives erode public trust in vaccines, which were instrumental in saving millions of lives during the COVID-19 pandemic,” stated a senior ICMR official.

The Government of India continues to emphasize evidence-based public health policies and remains committed to supporting robust scientific research to safeguard citizens' health and well-being.

No Hesitation.....

hideouts 100 km beyond our borders. Of course, we hit only those who had hit us, a reason why no civilians nor any military installations were targeted.”

“Under Modi, our policy has been not to hesitate in eliminating terrorists wherever they are. And we shall do so without making a distinction between masterminds of terror attacks and regimes which sponsor them,” said the defence minister.

He added that the country's defence exports have seen a sharp rise, thanks to Modi's thrust on “swadeshikaran” (production at home) and “Atma Nirbhar Bharat”.

“The Modi government works with a long-term road-map, in marked contrast with Congress-led governments of the past, which lacked direction and were driven by vote bank concerns,” said the Union minister.

Singh also made an oblique reference to the controversy over RSS second in command Dattatreya Hosabale's remark that the words “secular” and “socialist” be dropped from the preamble of the Constitution, as those were inserted during the infamous Emergency.

“I would like to ask fake secularists, after the word secular was added to the country's Constitution, why was it not added to the separate Constitution of Jammu and Kashmir? Should the state, where minority Hindus were being oppressed, not have been secular? Jammu and Kashmir became secular only after Article 370 was abrogated,” he said.

The BJP leader claimed that the party is the only political organisation in the entire world to have raised a voice against atrocities against minorities in neighbouring countries and taken a concrete step, in the form of CAA, upon coming to power.

He said, “India has always believed in treating all faiths with respect. Parsis were accepted with open arms. We have one of the world's oldest churches in Kerala. Ours is the only land where all 72 sects of Islam are recognised.”

In contrast, even Ahmadiya Muslims are facing persecution in Pakistan, and one should not speak about minorities, Singh said.

“The situation is horrifying in Bangladesh as well. The treatment meted out to Hindus there is a blot on humanity,” said the defence minister. (Agencies)

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First Batch of Devotees Flagged Off by LG Sinha From Bhagwati Nagar Base Camp

LG extends his best wishes to all the pilgrims for a safe and blissful journey



JAMMU, JULY 02: Lieutenant Governor Shri Manoj Sinha flagged off the first batch of devotees for the pilgrimage to

the holy cave of Shri Amarnath Ji, from Bhagwati Nagar Base Camp, today. The Lieutenant Governor extended his best wishes to all the pilgrims for a safe and bliss-

ful journey. "This sacred pilgrimage is a journey of faith and self-discovery. Wishing all spiritual seekers a safe and comfortable journey to the holy abode

of Lord Shiva and deep soul-stirring experience," the Lieutenant Governor said. Interacting with the media persons, the Lieutenant Governor said the administration,

people of Jammu & Kashmir, Shri Amarnath Ji Shrine Board, J&K Police, and security forces have made elaborate arrangements for the pilgrims. **TURN ON.....PAGE 02**

Pilgrims reach Baltal Base Camp

GANDERBAL, JULY 02: The first batch of pilgrims for the Shri Amarnathji Yatra 2025 successfully arrived at the Baltal Base Camp Wednesday, marking the formal commencement of the annual pilgrimage. In a spirit of devotion and hospitality, the District Administration Ganderbal extended a warm and heartfelt welcome to the Yatrists at the base camp. The welcome ceremony was graced by the presence of Deputy Commissioner Ganderbal, Jatin Kishore, Addi-

tional Deputy Commissioner, Syed Fahim Bihaji, SDM Kangan, along with officers from the Civil Administration, Police and members of the local community. Speaking on the occasion, the Deputy Commissioner extended his best wishes to the pilgrims for a safe and spiritually enriching journey. He assured full support from the administration to ensure a seamless and comfortable pilgrimage experience. To ensure the safety, security, and convenience of the pilgrims, the **TURN ON.....PAGE 02**

Officers on ground to ensure peaceful yatra: DGP

QAZIGUND, JUL 02: Director General of Police (DGP) Nalin Prabhat, on Wednesday said that all officers are on the ground to ensure peaceful conduct of the Amarnath Yatra. The DGP reviewed security arrangements for the ongoing Amarnath Yatra along the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway today. **TURN ON.....PAGE 02**



Daati Maa Dev Sthan to Join Religious Tourism Map: LG Sinha

JAMMU, JULY 02: Lieutenant Governor Shri Manoj Sinha today visited the border village of Changiya in Arnia Jammu and paid obeisance at Daati Maa Dev Sthan of Mahajan Phagetra Biradari. The Lieutenant Governor prayed for the well-being of all and peace and prosperity of J&K UT. I also pray to Mata Daati for a safe and smooth pilgrimage for all the devotees of Shri Amarnath Ji, he said. The Lieutenant Governor lauded the courage displayed by the residents of border villages during Operation Sindoor. He reiterated the commitment of the Government **TURN ON.....PAGE 02**

Locals, civil society welcome pilgrims in Kashmir

SRINAGAR, JUL 02: Reflecting the spirit of communal harmony and traditional hospitality, locals and civil society members in Kashmir warmly welcomed the first batch of Amarnath Yatra pilgrims. As the 38-day pilgrimage commenced amid tight security arrangements, residents across parts of South Kashmir—especially in Qazigund, Pahalgam, and Baltal—, according to the news agency—Kashmir News Observer (KNO) lined the routes to greet the pilgrims with flowers, traditional Kashmiri fragrances like Izzbandh, and heartfelt smiles. At the Nayvug tunnel near Qazigund, young volunteers gathered to offer refreshments and extend greetings **TURN ON.....PAGE 02**

Women 'May I Help You' teams, MRUs deployed

JAMMU/NEWDELHI, JUL 2: The Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) has deployed a special 'May I Help You' women personnel team to assist Amarnath Yatra pilgrims who take the Baltal route to reach the cave shrine in Jammu and Kashmir, officials said on Wednesday. The paramilitary force has pooled in the highest number of troops for the annual pilgrimage that was flagged off by Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha from Jammu on Wednesday. Of 581 Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) companies deployed for the yatra, 219 are from the CRPF, while the rest are from forces like the BSF, ITBP, CISF, and SSB. **TURN ON.....PAGE 02**

Retired from Govt service, not from service to nation: Jitendra

NEWDELHI, JUL 2: In a significant move aimed at reducing pension-related legal disputes and ensuring swifter justice for India's growing population of retired government employees, Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh Wednesday, while chairing the first-ever "National Workshop on Pension Litigation" organised by the Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare at Vigyan Bhawan here, said that in no case should the vital energies of our elder citizens be allowed to be consumed inconsequentially



for avoidable reasons because they may be "retired from government service but not retired from service to the nation". Addressing a packed hall of senior officials, legal experts and pension administrators, Dr. Jitendra Singh underlined the Centre's firm commitment to pensioners' welfare, while also drawing attention to **TURN ON.....PAGE 02**

Rajiv Ranjan, CM Omar Review Animal Husbandry & Fisheries in J&K Focus on dairy cooperatives, youth-led startups, value-addition in fish farming

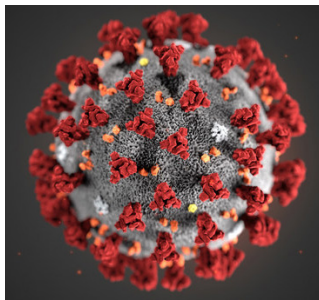
SRINAGAR, JULY 2: Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Rajiv Ranjan Singh and Chief Minister Omar Abdullah today jointly chaired a high-level review meeting of the Animal Husbandry and Fisheries sectors of Jammu & Kashmir here at Srinagar, Civil Secretariat. The meeting was attended by Minister for Agriculture Production & Panchayati Raj Javid Ahmad Dar, Advisor to the Chief Minister Nasir Aslam Wani, Secretary Gol Alka Upadhyay, Additional Chief Secretary Dheeraj Gupta, Additional Secretary (CDD/IT) and other senior officers from the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Principal Secretary Agriculture Production Department J&K Shailendra Kumar, Vice Chancellors of SKUAST-K and SKUAST-J, and heads of allied departments were



also present. Addressing the meeting, the Union Minister underlined the immense untapped potential in J&K's livestock and fisheries sectors and assured full support from the Centre. "We are here today to listen, understand your challenges, and work together. Where there is scope, there must be action," he stated. He called for joint efforts **TURN ON.....PAGE 02**

No lineage between COVID-19 vaccines, sudden deaths

SRINAGAR, JULY 02: Extensive research carried out by premier medical institutions—the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)—has conclusively ruled out any connection between COVID-19 vaccines and sudden deaths among adults in India. The studies underline that underlying health conditions, genetic predisposition, and lifestyle factors are the primary contributors to such deaths. The Government of India had initiated a thorough investigation into sudden and unexplained deaths, particularly in the 18–45 age group, following public concern and media speculation. Two major studies were undertaken to identify the causes behind these incidents and assess any potential vaccine-related risks. The first study, led by **TURN ON.....PAGE 02**



No Hesitation In Wiping Out Terrorists, Wherever They Are: Rajnath

PATNA, JUL 2: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Wednesday asserted that the Narendra Modi government will not hesitate to eliminate terrorists, wherever they are, and that no distinction will be made between masterminds and the regimes which sponsor them. The former BJP president's stern message to Pakistan, without mentioning the neighbouring country by name, came in his address to the party's state executive meeting in Bihar, where assembly elections are due this year. Singh said that under Modi, the country's policy on security has turned a new leaf with steps like surgical strikes and



Balakat airstrikes. Referring to the military operation that followed the Pahalgam terror attack, he said, "Operation Sindoor marked the first time when we struck at terror **TURN ON.....PAGE 02**

Amarnath ji pilgrims accorded rousing reception at Udhampur

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UDHAMPUR, JULY 02: The first batch of pilgrims of Shri Amar Nath Ji Yatra 2025 was accorded a rousing reception by District Administration Udhampur on their arrival at Kali Mata Mandir Tikri.

On reaching at Kali Mata Temple, Pilgrims were warm welcomed by DDC Chairman, Lal Chand, Member Legislative Assembly Udhampur East, Ranbir Singh Pathania, Member Legislative Assembly Chenani, Balwant Singh Mankotia, DIG Udhampur-Reasi Range Sarah Rizvi, Deputy Commissioner, Udhampur Saloni Rai, SSP Amod Ashok Nagpure, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Prem Singh, DDC Member, Ashu Sharma, ACR Dr Umesh Shan and other officers besides prominent citizens of the District.



A large number of locals along with district officers received the first batch of pilgrims at Kali Mata Mandir Tikri Udhampur.

Information Department Udhampur arranged a cultural programme in which students of Government Higher Secondary School and Sainik Cooperative Public High School Tikri presented themed based cultural items which was applauded by the pilgrims as well as locals.

The authorities urged upon the pilgrims to utilize and avail all the facilities being extended by the government during the yatra. The pilgrims were also informed about the arrangements made for them at the base camp, besides other facilities being extended to them. The pilgrims appreciated the goodwill gesture of Civil and Police Administration Udhampur for according them rousing reception and cooperation.

DC Ramban flags off Annual Sarvadhara Yatra from Ukheral

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RAMBAN, JULY 02: Deputy Commissioner Ramban, Mohammad Alyas Khan today flagged off the Annual 'Sarvadhara Yatra', locally popular as Chamunda Mata Yatra, from Ukheral. The ceremony was graced by Member Legislative Assembly Ramban, Advocate Arjun Singh Raju amid rich religious, cultural and traditional fervor.

Additional Deputy Commissioner Varunjeet Singh Charak, senior officers, prominent citizens and members of the Yatra Committee were also present on the occasion.

The annual Chamunda Mata Yatra attracts thousands of devotees from across the region and beyond. Sarvadhara Yatra is



not just a religious journey but also a spiritual expedition through the breathtaking landscapes of the Himalayas, offering devotees a unique blend of devotion, adventure and natural beauty.

The sacred Chamunda Mata Yatra located amidst the serene heights of Pogal Paristan in Ramban district, holds immense historical and spiritual significance and is believed to be centuries old. The 'Charri Mubarak' Yatra is tradi-

tionally held every year between June and August, with many devotees continuing the pilgrimage until winter, braving the challenging terrain with deep faith and devotion.

Speaking on the occasion, the MLA highlighted the importance of the Yatra in preserving the region's spiritual and cultural heritage while strengthening communal harmony. He appreciated the efforts of the district administration and the Yatra Committee

in facilitating smooth and safe arrangements for the devotees.

The Deputy Commissioner assured that the district administration has made comprehensive arrangements for the convenience, safety and security of the pilgrims. He emphasized that facilities such as medical aid, drinking water, sanitation, boarding and lodging have been set up along the Yatra route in close coordination with various departments and local stakeholders.

The Yatra, which commenced today, will continue till Rakshabandhan in August, allowing devotees to undertake this sacred journey during the summer season and seek the blessings of Mata Chamunda Ji.

DC Poonch visits Gurudwara Deri Sahib Khari Pays obeisance, reviews arrangements for 25th Gurmat Samagam

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POONCH, JULY 02: In connection with the upcoming 25th Gurmat Samagam scheduled to be held on 6th July at Gurudwara Deri Sahib Khari, the Deputy Commissioner Poonch, Vikas Kundal today visited the Gurudwara Sahib and paid obeisance. He was warmly

welcomed by the Management Committee, which expressed heartfelt gratitude for his visit.

The Gurudwara premises was filled with spiritual fervour as Ragi Jathas from Punjab recited soul-stirring Gurbani Kirtan echoing the messages of peace, devotion and unity.

The Deputy Commissioner interacted with the devotees and lauded the

smooth and devotional conduct of the pre-event proceedings.

While addressing the gathering, the Deputy Commissioner highlighted the cultural and spiritual importance of such religious congregations in promoting harmony and unity among diverse communities. He also took a detailed review of the arrangements, ensuring

that the district administration is fully committed to extending all necessary support for the successful organization of the Samagam.

The Management Committee extended sincere thanks to the Deputy Commissioner for his continued support and active involvement in promoting religious and cultural events across the district.

International Day of Cooperatives celebrated at Jammu

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JAMMU, JULY 02: The Department of Cooperatives, J&K, in collaboration with JCC Bank today celebrated International Day of Cooperatives at JCC Bank Headquarters, Bahu Plaza Jammu.

The event was held under the theme "M-PACS - Focusing on Women Empowerment and Sustainable Livelihood", highlighting the vital role of cooperatives in driving inclusive growth and sustainable development.

The programme witnessed the participation of senior officials including

the Additional Registrar, Cooperative Societies Jammu; Joint Registrar (Audit); Joint Registrar (Banking); Joint Registrar (Special); Deputy Registrars and Assistant Registrars from across the Jammu Division. A significant number of women members from cooperative societies also attended reflecting the growing involvement of women in cooperative governance and enterprise.

Notably, participants came from both urban and remote areas such as Samba, Jammu, Poonch, Rajouri and Billohar. Many of them shared their inspiring journeys and experiences with the cooperative depart-

ment, offering testimonials on how the cooperative movement has empowered them socially and economically.

A major highlight of the event was the distribution of registration certificates to newly registered Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), dairy and fisheries cooperatives across Jammu Division. Successful societies were felicitated with mementos in recognition of their outstanding contributions to innovation, livelihood generation, and women-led development.

The event also featured stalls set up by various cooperatives showcasing

their products—ranging from honey, pickles and spices to bakery items, milk products and handicrafts—demonstrating the vibrancy and diversity of cooperative entrepreneurship.

Addressing the gathering, dignitaries emphasized the crucial role cooperatives play in empowering communities, especially women and supporting rural economies. The celebration concluded with a reaffirmed commitment to strengthening the cooperative ecosystem in Jammu and Kashmir, in line with the global theme "Cooperatives Build a Better World."

District Administration Ramban welcomes first batch of Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra-2025 Pilgrims at Chanderkote

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RAMBAN, JULY 02: The District Administration Ramban led by Deputy Commissioner Mohammad Alyas Khan extended a warm welcome to the first batch of Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra-2025 pilgrims at Chanderkote and Banihal, here today.

The welcome ceremony witnessed the presence of Member Legislative Assembly Ramban, Arjun Singh Raju; DIG DKR Range, Shridhar Patil; SSP Ramban, Kulbir Singh; SSP Traffic NHW, Raja Adil Hamid Ganaie; ADC Varunjeet Singh Charak; ACR Shokat Hayat Mattoo along with other senior officers.

The event was also graced by DDC Members and members of various religious and social organizations who joined in welcoming the pilgrims with great enthusiasm and devotion.

During the interaction, the Deputy Commissioner and other dignitaries personally reviewed the arrangements made for the pilgrims at Langars and Yatri Niwas established at Chanderkote, Lamber (Banihal) and other designated locations along the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway in Ramban district.



Speaking on the occasion, the Deputy Commissioner highlighted that the District Administration has ensured robust civil amenities and security arrangements for the smooth conduct of the Yatra. He further informed that adequate facilities for boarding, lodging and emergency medical aid have been set up, along

with round-the-clock helplines to assist the pilgrims in case of any eventuality or halt due to weather or other conditions.

The District Administration worked 24x7 to provide seamless support and ensure a safe and smooth passage for the devotees undertaking the holy pilgrimage, he added.

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It is hereby notified that the name of Akash Ahmad Bhat S/O GULAM MOHD BAH, mentioned in my Aadhaar Card having aadhaar card number 8719882174 (DOB: 01/03/2006), is incorrect. The correct name is MOHD AAKASH BHAT, as per my 10th Class Board Certificate issued by The Jammu & Kashmir Board of School Education (DOB: 09/10/2008), under Roll No. 101052053. I am applying for the correction of my name in official records accordingly. If anyone has any objections, they may contact the undersigned within 7 days of this notice.

Name: Mohd Aakash Bhat
Father's Name: Gulam Mohammad Bhat
Address: Kawarigam anantnag

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified that my Name and dob has been incorrectly mentioned on his Adhar card, as name Henan Sultan DOB 03/11/2004 D/O Mohd Sultan Gazi while his correct name is HENAN SULTAN DOB 03/04/2008 D/O MOHAMMAD SULTAN GAZI R/O Kargama as per school record now I have applied for the correction. If anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection concerned authority /UIDAI office within a period of 07 days after that no objection will be accepted.

Name: HENAN SULTAN DOB 03/04/2008
D/O MOHAMMAD SULTAN GAZI
R/O: KARGAMA TEHSIL HANDWARA DIST KUPWARA

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified that my daughter, dob certificate applied namely Khushnuma Abas Dob 13/02/2023 D/O Mohammad Abas War R/o Lawoosa Mawar Tehsil Qalamabad district Kupwara, now I have applied for the birth certificate of Municipal Committee Handwara. If anybody having any objection in this regard he/she may file his/her objection at Municipal committee Handwara within a period of 07 days after that no objection will be accepted.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I have lost my school leaving certificate at somewhere bearing Roll No 316 / Arts stream Now i am applying for its duplicate if anybody having objection in this regard he /she may file his / her objection in the office of GOVT BOYS HSS WAGOORA within seven days from the publication of this notice after that no objection will be entertained

Name.....MUSKAAN FAYAZ
D/O FAYAZ AHMAD MIR
R/O DARWA Session 2023-2024

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE TEHSILDAR KREERI (Executive Magistrate 1st Class)

Subject: Issuance of Registration Orders in respect of delayed Birth/ Death certificate. PUBLIC NOTICE

The Registrar Births and Deaths (Block Development Officer WAGOORA) / chokedar has submitted case file pertaining to Birth of ZAID ZAFFER S/O ZAFFER AHMAD MIR R/O KREERI Tehsil KREERI Distt. Baramulla having verified the date of Birth as 23/12/2020 and event has been shown to be occurred at SDH KREERI for issuance of delay order .In this connection . if anyone have any objection to the issuance of delay order of Birth certificate shall present his/her claim this office within 07 days, after that no objection shall be entertained.

NAIB TEHSILDAR KREERI

Toyota Innova HyCross Secures 5-Star Safety Rating Under Bharat NCAP

HT NEWS DESK



Srinagar: In a major boost to vehicle safety standards in India, Toyota Kirloskar Motor's Innova HyCross has been awarded a 5-star safety rating under the Bharat New Car Assessment Programme (Bharat NCAP). The rating, which covers both adult and child occupant protection, underscores the company's strong focus on building safer vehicles for Indian roads.

The certification was formally handed over in New Delhi by Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways Nitin Gadkari to senior TKM officials, Vikram Gulati and Sudeep Dalvi. Speaking on the occasion, the company said the recognition reinforces Toyota's commitment to prioritising customer safety in every aspect of vehicle development. Built on Toyota's New Global Architecture (TNGA) platform, the Innova HyCross combines crash-tested structural strength with advanced safety systems. The vehicle is equipped with Toyota Safety Sense, six airbags across all variants, vehicle stability control, traction control, ABS with EBD, and other safety technologies aimed at enhancing driver and passenger protection. TKM's Vice President, Varinder Wadhwa, said the 5-star Bharat NCAP rating reflects Toyota's safety-first approach, not just in engineering but also in customer experience. "The Innova HyCross delivers not just sustainable and comfortable mobility but also peace of mind, making it one of the safest choices for Indian families," he stated.

With this recognition, Toyota aims to further strengthen trust in its brand and continue expanding access to advanced safety technologies across its product range.

ADC Bhaderwah reviews functioning of Tehsil Library

BHADERWAH, JULY 02: The Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC) Bhaderwah, Sunil Kumar Bhutyal today chaired a meeting at his office chamber to review the functioning and development of the Tehsil Library.

The meeting was attended by Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) AEE JPDCL, AE Jal Shakti Sub Division, Librarians officers, Naib Tehsildar and concerned officials.

The ADC gave one week's deadline to the concerned authorities to complete the remaining works so that the library can start functioning. During the session, the ADC took stock of ongoing operations, infrastructure needs and steps required to enhance the library's services for the public, especially students and researchers. He emphasized the importance of promoting reading habits among youth and directed officers to ensure regular maintenance, availability of updated books and a conducive reading environment.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Committee on Estimates convenes meeting in Srinagar

Reviews functioning, fund utilization of Public Works Department

HT NEWS DESK

SRINAGAR, JULY 2: The House Committee on Estimates today convened a meeting at the Assembly Complex in Srinagar to review the functioning and fund utilization of the Public Works Department (PWD).

The meeting was chaired by the Committee Chairperson, Shamim Firdous and attended by members Abdul Majid Bhat (Larmi), Ghulam Mohiud-Din Mir, Pawan Kumar Gupta, Professor Gharu Ram Bhagat, Dr. Shafi Ahmad Wani, Chander Prakash Ganga and Pyare Lal Sharma.

Senior officers including Principal Secretary, Finance Department, Santosh D Vaidya; Secretary PWD, Bhupinder Kumar; Director General, Accounts and Treasuries, Fayaz A Lone; Director Finance; Director Planning; Chief Engineer, PWD; Finan-



cial Commissioner, JKPC and other officials from the concerned departments also participated in the meeting. The Chairperson emphasized the need for strict monitoring, efficient fund allocation and effective utilization to accelerate developmental projects and works under PWD across Jammu and Kashmir. She called for timely completion of all the ongoing and languishing projects for public

convenience at the earliest. The Committee also deliberated on easing the utilization of Constituency Development Funds (CDF) for the legislators on a discretionary basis. The members stressed the importance of timely disbursement of funds and urged for a criteria-based approach to ensure equitable and holistic development across all regions. The Chairperson asked the

officials to ensure effective coordination and prompt response to public grievances, emphasizing that legislators are the voice of public aspirations and must serve to the best of their capacities. The members further discussed the disbursement and utilization of exigency and emergency funds for the large public benefit. The Committee resolved to continue regular review of the functioning of key departments besides scrutinising the budget estimates, revised estimates and actual expenditures on developmental works.

During the meeting, the members offered suggestions and raised various concerns related to fund allocation and project execution. Responding to the concerns, the officials assured that developmental works will be undertaken in a coordinated and streamlined manner to ensure smooth execution.

Javed Rana, Javid Dar review irrigation scenario in JK

Emphasize timely execution of schemes to enhance support for agriculture

HT NEWS DESK

SRINAGAR, JULY 02: Minister for Jal Shakti, Forest, Ecology & Environment and Tribal Affairs, Javed Ahmed Rana and Minister for Agriculture Production Department, Javid Ahmad Dar, today had a comprehensive review of the irrigation scenario in Jammu and Kashmir in a meeting held at Civil Secretariat here.

The meeting was called in view of the irrigation problems being faced by the farming community besides assessing the response mechanism adopted by the department to ensure farmers are provided a reliable irrigation supply.

Legislators, Ghulam Ahmad Mir, Hasnain Masoodi, Irshad Rasool Kar, Hilal Akbar Lone and Irfan Hafiz Lone also attended the meeting and shared their concerns with respect to irrigation supply in their constituencies. Detailed discussion was held on the working of Lift & Gravity irrigation schemes, NABARD/



CAPEX/CSS projects and efficient water management for agricultural prosperity.

Javed Rana directed for effective measures to tackle the irrigation issues, especially putting an efficient response mechanism in place to address the complaints of farmers. "There is no doubt that we are facing a critical situation due to adverse climatic conditions and there are shortcomings also but we have to find solutions," he said. It is our collective responsibility to find solutions to the problems faced by our farming commu-

nity amid the paddy farming, he said. He called for taking both short and long-term measures to augment the supply of irrigation water as per the requirements on the ground. He also asked for an assessment of both the machinery and infrastructure given the present climatic conditions.

Superintending Engineers were instructed to submit a comprehensive report outlining the potential measures for upgrading and strengthening the existing resources in their respective areas.

PDF President Hakeem Yaseen meets workers, discusses role of new political alliance

HT NEWS DESK

Srinagar, July 2: President of the Peoples Democratic Front (PDF) and member of the People's Alliance for Change (PAC), Hakeem Mohammad Yaseen, on Thursday held a meeting with party workers from Budgam district at his residence. The workers welcomed his decision to join the newly formed political alliance in Jammu and Kashmir, aimed at safeguarding the identity and rights of the people.

In a statement issued to the press, Hakeem Yaseen explained the rationale behind the formation of the new alliance and its relevance in the current political scenario. He said that for the past seven decades, numerous political experiments have been carried out on the people of Kashmir, turning the region into what he described as a "testing ground for failed policies."

Akashvani Srinagar Inaugurates State-of-the-Art Audio Studio for Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra 2025 Broadcasts

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SRINAGAR, 02 July, 2025, Akashvani Srinagar inaugurated a state-of-the-art audio studio today dedicated exclusively to the special transmission of the Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra (SANJY) 2025. The new facility has been set up to provide seamless and high-quality broadcast services to Yatris and listeners across the globe during the Yatra period. The studio was formally inaugurated by Shri Gurbinder Singh, Deputy Director General (Engineering) and Head of Office, Akashvani Srinagar. While speaking on the occasion, Shri Gurbinder Singh termed the newly launched studio a "technological leap" in pilgrimage broadcasting. The studio has been equipped with the latest audio technologies to ensure seamless and uninterrupted transmission for the benefit of Yatris and stakeholders. Our aim is to make the broadcast accessible not only on the ground but globally, he stated. He further informed that broadcasts for SANJY 2025 will be available across several platforms, including 103.7 MHz FM, WAVES OTT Platform, DTH Services, NewsonAir Android & iOS App, Akashvani Aradhana Channel. Additionally, two special transmitters have been installed at Baltal and Pahalgam to ensure uninterrupted coverage along the trekking routes to the Holy Cave, even in remote and high-altitude areas.

Sakeena Itoo felicitates NEET achievers, 10th, 12th meritorious students at GDC Pulwama

Advocates for right opportunities, mentorship for youngsters

HT NEWS DESK

PULWAMA, JULY 02: Minister for Health and Medical Education, Social Welfare and Education, Sakeena Itoo today visited Pulwama and felicitated the NEET achievers and meritorious students of 10th and 12th classes of various Government Institutions from Pulwama district in a special function organized at Government Degree College (GDC), here.

MLA Pampre, Justice (Retd) Hasnain Masoodi; MLA Tral, Rafiq Ahmad Naik; MLA Zainapora, Showkat Husain Ganje; Principal GDC Pulwama, Director Social Welfare Kashmir, Director School Education Kashmir, Director Family Welfare and Immunization, Director AYUSH and other senior officers of district administration and education department were also present



on the occasion. Addressing the gathering, Minister Sakeena lauded the students for their outstanding performances despite challenging circumstances. "You are the torch-bearers of change, and your achievements today mark the beginning of a brighter tomorrow, not only for yourselves but for the entire region," she stated. Highlighting the role of education in shaping a resilient

and progressive society, the Minister urged the youngsters to pursue knowledge with purpose and serve their communities with commitment. She also appreciated the efforts of teachers and parents who stood behind the students through their academic journeys.

The Minister underlined that the youth must be provided with the right opportunities, mentorship and

resources to excel at the national and international levels.

On the occasion, the Minister also distributed regularisation orders among CPWs. Addressing the gathering, Minister Sakeena lauded the students for their outstanding performances despite challenging circumstances. "You are the torch-bearers of change, and your achievements today mark the beginning of a brighter tomorrow, not only for yourselves but for the entire region," she stated.

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Transport Commissioner inspects driving test centre, RTO office Srinagar

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SRINAGAR, JULY 2: Transport Commissioner, Vishesh Paul Mahajan, today conducted a comprehensive visit to Regional Transport Office (RTO) Kashmir, here at Bemina.

The Commissioner interacted with the citizens waiting in queues, raising awareness about the Transport Department's online and faceless services. He encouraged them to leverage these digital platforms to streamline their transactions and minimize visits to the RTO office.

He instructed the ARTO Headquarters to prominently display the signboards and informational material, highlighting the availability and advantages of online services, so as to raise awareness among the general public. He reiterated the department's commitment towards minimizing the footfall at the RTO office by promoting digital access and ensuring ease of service delivery through faceless platforms.

Earlier, the Transport Commissioner inspected the trial ground located at Bemina and monitored the driving tests being conducted there. Interacting with the youngsters, he urged them to be careful while driving besides strictly abiding by the traffic laws.

He directed the staff to ensure that those who appear for the driving test are guided properly. He also asked them that the test results should be uploaded online within 24 hours.

Srinagar welcomes the first batch of Amarnath Yatris with warmth & devotion

DDC Chairperson, DC Srinagar & SSP Srinagar welcome pilgrims at Pantha Chowk

HT NEWS DESK

SRINAGAR, JULY 02:- In a warm gesture of hospitality, the Srinagar district administration led by DDC Chairperson, Deputy Commissioner (DC) Srinagar, Akshay Labroo along with Senior Superintendent of Police Sundeep Chakravarthy on Wednesday warmly welcomed the first batch of Shri Amarnathji Yatra pilgrims as they arrived at Pantha Chowk in Srinagar. This followed the formal commencement of the annual yatra which was flagged from Jammu by Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, as part of the significant spiritual journey undertaken by the devotees every year to the holy Amarnathji cave. Deputy Commissioner & SSP personally received the pilgrims and extended greetings besides ensuring all arrangements are in place for their comfort and safety. DDC Chairperson, DC, SSP & Officials from the District Administration Srinagar, along with senior Officers from SMC and Police



Department were present at the reception site to assist and guide the pilgrims. The

administration has reiterated its commitment to ensuring a smooth and secure

yatra experience for all devotees.

Speaking on the occasion, the DC stated that the Amarnathji Yatra is a significant spiritual journey and we are committed to ensure smooth conduct of the pilgrimage with safety and comfort of all pilgrims. He added that the District Administration Srinagar along with Srinagar Police has put in place comprehensive arrangements to ensure the smooth conduct of the annual Yatra and cater to the needs of the pilgrims. Officials along with locals welcomed the Pilgrims and prayed for smooth, safe and peaceful conduct of Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra. This followed the formal commencement of the annual yatra which was flagged from Jammu by Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, as part of the significant spiritual journey undertaken by the devotees every year to the holy Amarnathji cave. Deputy Commissioner & SSP personally received the pilgrims and extended greetings besides ensuring all arrangements are in place for their comfort and safety.

HT EDITORIAL

Make the RTI Act in J&K alive and kicking yet again

Jammu & Kashmir had the distinction of having a strong Right to Information (RTI) Act of 2009 and the same was being viewed as a revolutionary step in the process where-in an ordinary person can seek information from any government department. Since the central RTI was implemented in 2005 the civil society activists of Jammu & Kashmir along with other important stakeholders including advocates came forward and improved upon the Central RTI Act of 2005.

The loopholes and the shortcomings in the central RTI Act were thoroughly studied by the concerned stakeholders following which the all important RTI Act of Jammu & Kashmir came into existence in 2009. Civil society activists, advocates and other important people across the country acknowledged that the Jammu & Kashmir RTI Act is much more powerful than the central RTI Act. The significant feature of the Jammu & Kashmir RTI Act was that the second appellate authority was directed to dispose of a matter within a period of 120 days once the officer is approached by an RTI applicant.

As there is no such provision in the central RTI Act the success of the RTI Act in Jammu & Kashmir is more visible as compared to the other states and union territories of the country. For the 10 years or so the RTI Act was a success in the state of Jammu & Kashmir but the scenario changed in 2019. The Article 370 was abrogated on August 5, 2019 and the state of Jammu & Kashmir was downgraded into two union territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh.

Following this Jammu & Kashmir came under the direct control of the Home Ministry and all the central acts were extended to the present union territory. As a result of this the Jammu & Kashmir RTI Act of 2009 got replaced by the Central RTI Act of 2005. Once this became the reality the RTI Act became weak in the union territory and the officers started to dictate the terms to the information seekers. As on date most of the officers give a damn to the RTI applications.

The information seekers are disturbed over the present trend and they want the officers to be made accountable as was being done prior to August 5, 2019. The RTI Act needs to be given a fillip in Jammu & Kashmir so that the RTI applicants are relieved and able to get the information as desired by them through their receptive applications.

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A Decade of Digital India



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Ten years ago, we embarked on a bold journey into uncharted territory with great conviction. While decades were spent doubting the ability of Indians to use technology, we changed this approach and trusted the ability of Indians to use technology.

While decades were spent thinking that use of technology will deepen the gap between the haves and the have-nots, we changed this mindset and used technology to eliminate the gap between the haves and the have-nots.

When the intent is right, innovation empowers the less empowered. When the approach is inclusive, technology brings change in the lives of those on the margins.

This belief laid the foundation for Digital India: a mission to democratise access, build inclusive digital infrastructure, and opportunities for all.

In 2014, internet penetration was limited, digital literacy was low, and online access to government services was scarce. Many doubted whether a country as vast and diverse as India could truly go digital.

Today, that question has been answered not just in data and dashboards, but in the lives of 140 crore Indians. From how we govern, to how we learn, transact, and build, Digital India is everywhere.

Bridging the Digital Divide

In 2014, India had around 25 crore internet connections. Today, that number has grown to over 97 crores. Over 42 lakh kilometres of Optical Fibre Cable equivalent to 11 times the distance between Earth and the Moon now connects even the most remote villages.

India's 5G rollout is among the fastest in the world, with 4.81 lakh base stations installed in just two years. High-speed internet now reaches urban hubs and forward military posts alike including Galwan, Siachen, and Ladakh.

India Stack, which is our digital backbone, has enabled platforms like



UPI, which now handles 100+ billion transactions a year. Around half of all real time digital transactions happen in India.

Through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT), over Rs 44 lakh crore has been transferred directly to citizens, cutting out middlemen and saving Rs 3.48 lakh crore in leakages.

Schemes like SVAMITVA have issued 2.4 crore+ property cards and mapped 6.47 lakh villages, ending years of land-related uncertainty.

Democratising Opportunity for All

India's digital economy is empowering MSMEs and small entrepreneurs like never before.

ONDC (Open Network for Digital Commerce) is a revolutionary platform which opens a new window of opportunities by providing a seamless connection with huge market of buyers and sellers.

GeM (Government E-Marketplace) enables the common man to sell goods and services to all arms of the government. This not only empowers the common man with a huge market but also saves money for the Government.

Imagine this: You apply for a Mudra loan online. Your creditworthiness is assessed through an account aggregator framework. You get your loan and start your venture. You register on GeM, supply to schools and hospitals, and then scale up via ONDC.

ONDC recently crossed 200 million transactions, with the last 100 million

in just six months. From Banarasi weavers to bamboo artisans in Nagaland, sellers are now reaching customers nationwide, without middlemen or digital monopolies.

GeM has also crossed Rs 1 lakh crore GMV in 50 days, with 22 lakh sellers including 1.8 lakh+ women-led MSMEs, who have fulfilled orders worth Rs 46,000 crore.

Digital Public Infrastructure: India's Global Offering

India's Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) from Aadhaar, CoWIN, DigiLocker, and FASTag to PM-WANI and One Nation One Subscription is now studied and adopted globally.

CoWIN enabled the world's largest vaccination drive, issuing 220 crore QR-verifiable certificates. DigiLocker, with 54 crore users, hosts 775 crore+ documents, securely and seamlessly.

Through our G20 Presidency, India launched the Global DPI Repository and a \$25 million Social Impact Fund, helping nations across Africa and South Asia adopt inclusive digital ecosystems.

Startup Power Meets Aatmanirbhar Bharat

India now ranks among the top 3 startup ecosystems in the world, with over 1.8 lakh startups. But this is more than a startup movement, it is a tech renaissance.

India is doing extremely well when it comes to AI skill penetration and AI

talent concentration among our youth.

Through the \$1.2 billion India AI Mission, India has enabled access to 34,000 GPUs at globally unmatched prices at less than \$1/GPU hour making India not just the most affordable internet economy, but also the most affordable compute destination.

India has championed humanity-first AI. The New Delhi Declaration on AI promotes innovation with responsibility. We are establishing AI Centres of Excellence across the country.

The Road Ahead

The next decade will be even more transformative. We are moving from digital governance to global digital leadership, from India-first to India-for-the-world.

Digital India has not remained a mere government program, it has become a people's movement. It is central to building an Aatmanirbhar Bharat, and to making India a trusted innovation partner to the world.

To all innovators, entrepreneurs, and dreamers: the world is looking at India for the next digital breakthrough.

Let us build what empowers. Let us solve what truly matters. Let us lead with technology that unites, includes, and uplifts.

The author is Prime Minister of India (PIB)

Abdul Quddir Kundria's गोते गै गोते: A Poetic Beacon for the Human Spirit



Amit Mehra

In the heart of Jammu's rugged hills, Abdul Quddir Kundria, born in 1963 in Kundra village, Reasi district, has woven a legacy of words that pulse with the rhythm of Dogri life. A poet for over 35 years, Kundria's latest collection, गोते गै गोते, stands as a testament to his ability to capture the human condition with raw simplicity and profound depth. This exploration celebrates the transformative power of his poetry, illuminating how it touches the core of humanity, stirs reflection, and inspires change.

Kundria, retired from the State Motor Garages Department in Jammu and Kashmir, is no ordinary poet. Mentored by luminaries like Prof. Ram Nath Shastri and Kuldeep Singh Jandralia, he sharpened his craft to blend emotional clarity with cultural resonance. His affiliation with Dogri Sanstha, Jammu, and appearances on Doordarshan and Radio Kashmir have amplified his voice, making him a revered figure in Dogri literature. His works, shared by platforms like the International Dogra Society, London, Tawi Journal, and Reasi Updates, ripple across borders, carrying messages of hope and awareness.

गोते गै गोते, unveiled in 2024 by Dogri Sanstha in a literary ceremony where Padma Shri Balwant Thakur unveiled its cover, is a multilingual tapestry woven in Dogri, Urdu, and Hindi. Its title, evoking the metaphor of diving into life's depths, speaks to the relentless struggles and triumphs of the human spirit. The collection, sung by Lovely Chandra, resonates with its unadorned language, making it a

vessel for universal truths. Each poem is a mirror, reflecting the joys and sorrows of marginalized communities, particularly those in rural Jammu.

The collection's themes strike at the heart of existence. Kundria addresses the scourge of youth addiction, urging a path to redemption. He laments the exclusion of rural voices, giving them dignity through his verses. His words mourn the erosion of cultural values while championing communal harmony. Each line is a call to awaken, to resist despair, and to rebuild with purpose. This poetry does not merely observe; it heals, offering solace to the weary and courage to the downtrodden.

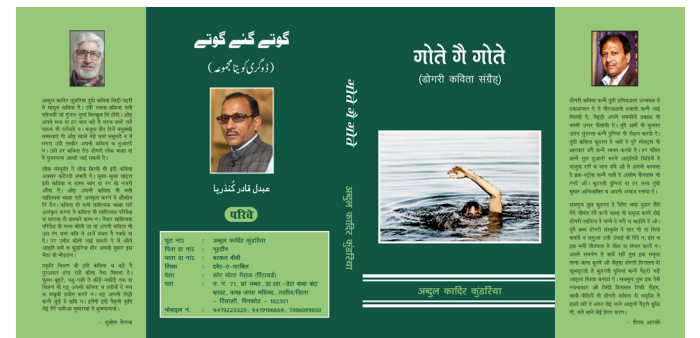
Kundria's style is a masterclass in accessibility. His use of local idioms and colloquial wisdom roots his work in the soil of Dogri culture, yet its multilingual nature invites a broader audience. The rhythm of his verses flows like a mountain stream, gentle yet forceful, carrying readers into the lives of those often unseen. Metaphors of diving and surfacing weave through the collection, symbolizing resilience in the face of adversity. This simplicity is deceptive, masking a profound ability to stir the soul and ignite reflection.

The impact of गोते गै गोते transcends literary circles. Critics have hailed it as a landmark in Dogri literature, praising its fearless portrayal of societal undercurrents. At its unveiling, attended by literary stalwarts and cultural advocates, it was described as a torch illuminating paths to social healing. Its verses resonate with teachers seeking to inspire, youth grappling with identity, and communities yearning for unity. Kundria's ability to critique without accusing and to offer hope without ignoring pain makes this collection a beacon for change.

In a world fractured by division, Kundria's poetry is a bridge. It speaks to the farmer in Reasi's hills, the urban dweller seeking meaning, and the global reader craving authenticity. His words remind us

that literature can be activism, a quiet revolution against apathy. By addressing issues like substance abuse and cultural erosion, he empowers readers to confront their own challenges with courage. His poetry is a sanctuary, offering refuge to those navigating life's storms.

The collection's universal appeal lies in its humanity. Kundria does not preach; he invites. His poems are conversations, urging readers to dive into their own depths, confront their truths, and emerge stronger. This transformative power touches the



pulse of mankind, fostering empathy and action. Whether read in a quiet village or a bustling city, गोते गै गोते speaks to the shared struggles and dreams that bind us.

Abdul Quddir Kundria's गोते गै गोते is more than a book; it is a lifeline. It challenges us to see the unseen, to hear the silenced, and to act with purpose. For lovers of poetry, educators, and advocates of social justice, this collection is a must-read. It stands as a powerful reminder that words, when crafted with heart, can change lives, mend communities, and inspire a better world. Kundria's voice, rooted in Dogri soil, echoes far beyond, touching the very essence of what it means to be human.

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Drowning Incidents in Kashmir Valley

Nature is Incredible



■ Sahil Manzoor

It leaves nothing stationary. It calls you, pampers you, makes you happy. Nature bestows upon us mesmerizing surroundings. It is beautiful, joyful, limitless, and full of mysteries. It attracts, enchants, and sometimes terrifies. It can bring catastrophe, demolish great structures, silence the noisiest moments, or compel a scream from the quietest soul.

From a religious perspective, everything that happens is under the supervision of the Almighty. Life and death are not random—each moment, even the rustling of leaves, occurs only by His will, as described in the Holy Quran. So why do we worry? Why do we fear what is already destined?

The answer, though simple, carries deep wisdom: we have a duty to act responsibly. The Almighty has commanded us to take safety measures and protect ourselves and others. We are not permitted to be careless or ignorant. Crying and shouting in moments of regret will not change what was avoidable through preparation and awareness.

Heat, Summer, and the Shift Toward Risk

Kashmir lies in the extreme north, and we are accustomed to bitter cold. During ChillaiKalan—from December 21 to the end of January—temperatures dip as low as -15°C. Yet we endure it with proper arrangements: traditional timber ovens, hammams, and layered winter clothing. Winters, though harsh, are peaceful, and the snow-laden forests and towering mountains reflect the divine beauty of the region.

But summer, starting around June 21 until September 21, presents a new challenge. Between June and late July, the valley experiences scorching heat, especially in urban areas. With few green spaces or cooling infrastructure, people often turn to public parks for relief. Sadly, many of these parks have been replaced with commercial spaces like parking lots.

In the 1990s, Iqbal Park served as a vital retreat for residents from Solina, Sarai Bala, Half Chinar, and surrounding areas. Just a few kilometers from the Zabarwan Mountains, it provided free access to fresh air and open space. Today, with entry fees imposed even on locals, many feel excluded. Development should unite the people—not foster divisions based on affordability.

The Rush Toward Water — and the Danger That Follows

To escape the heat, youth from cities flock to villages, where glacial streams and clear water bodies offer natural relief. These rivers, sourced



from melting glaciers, rush with terrifying force—like water driven by powerful motors. Though visually appealing, they are extremely dangerous.

Drowning incidents in Kashmir are steadily rising. These aren't isolated accidents—they happen year after year. The key reason? Lack of proactive safety measures. We often react after tragedies, rather than act in advance—be it in road safety, infrastructure, or water-related risks.

Case Study: Raiyar-Ich, Budgam

The residents of Bhatti Mohallah, Raiyar-Ich, Khansahib (Budgam) have been urging the government for over ten years to construct a mini-connectivity bridge. Despite repeated appeals, nothing has been done.

Recently, a minor girl and a 20-year-old biker narrowly escaped drowning in a canal at the same site. The community had already submitted a formal request to the district administration and even filed a written complaint at Police Station Khansahib. Yet, the danger remains.

Without proper infrastructure, the area remains a hazard. A connectivity bridge must be constructed immediately to prevent future tragedies. Author-

ities must act before more lives are lost.

What Needs to Be Done? To prevent further loss of life, the following steps are essential:

1. Ban Open-River Bathing in Tourist Areas

The administration should impose a strict seasonal ban on bathing in high-risk water bodies, particularly at:

- Shali Ganga (Doodhpathri)
- Lidder River (Pahalgam)
- Dal Lake (Srinagar)
- Jhelum River (across various districts)

These sites must be under CCTV surveillance, with fines or penalties for violations.

2. Develop Public Swimming Pools

Each district should have affordable, accessible swimming pools. Swimming must be taught not only for safety, but also to promote sports and recreation in water-based activities.

3. Launch Public Awareness Campaigns

Through schools, mosques, social media, and community halls, the government should educate the public—especially young people—about drowning risks, safety practices, and emergency response.

4. Protect and Respect Water Bodies

Open defecation, littering, and pollution of rivers degrade not just the environment, but also community health. Our rivers are lifelines for thousands of villages—supporting drinking water, irrigation, and ecology. It's our moral duty to keep them clean and pollution-free.

The rising number of drowning incidents in the Kashmir Valley is a tragedy that can be prevented. These deaths are not inevitable. They are the result of neglect—both individual and institutional.

Nature is a gift—but only when respected. With careful planning, awareness, and infrastructure, we can save lives and create a safer, cleaner, more compassionate Kashmir.

Let us not wait for another innocent life to be lost.

Let us act now.

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Democracy on the threshold of women reservation: Now the parties will have to take responsibility



■ Priyanka Saurabh

The Nari Shakti Vandan Act passed in 2023 is a historic opportunity to change the nature of politics in India. Although its implementation is possible before the 2029 Lok Sabha elections, it will be successful only if political parties create a favorable environment for women from now on. Just giving reserved seats is not enough; parties will have to give priority to women in internal quota, financial support, training, mentorship and decision-making roles. If this opportunity is missed, reservation will also become a sham. Decisive and policy initiatives are now necessary for an inclusive and empowered democracy.

The Nari Shakti Vandan Act passed in 2023, i.e. the 106th Amendment of the Constitution, is a historic attempt to increase the representation of women in India's democratic structure. This Act ensures 33% reservation for women in the Lok Sabha and state assemblies, but its success will not be determined by merely being inscribed in the Constitution - but by the political will to implement it. If this reservation becomes effective in the general elections of the year 2029, it will not only be a turning point for India's democracy, but will also determine the direction of women's leadership. For this, political parties will have to take comprehensive and far-sighted steps from now on.

The presence of women in Indian politics has always been limited. In the 18th Lok Sabha elected in 2024, only 74 women were elected, which is only 13.6% of the total seats. This figure has also decreased compared to 2019 and is far behind the global average of 26.9%. The situation in state assemblies is even more worrying, where on average only 9% of the MLAs are women. This not only reflects gender inequality but also affects the policy-making process in which the participation of half the population is negligible.

There are many social, economic and political reasons for the low level of women's participation in politics. The biggest reason is the deeply ingrained patriarchal thinking of Indian society. Women are limited to family roles, due to which leadership opportunities naturally go to men. Practices like 'Sarpanch Pati' make this thinking even more clear.

There is also a perception within political parties that women are weak candidates in terms of winning elections. But this is a myth, which recent data disproves. For example, women were only 9.6% of the candidates in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections, but their success rate was higher than men - they won 13.6% of the seats.

Lack of financial resources is another major barrier women face. Contesting elections in India is extremely expensive, and most women—especially from rural and backward classes—cannot independently raise enough resources. In addition, the environment of politics is also unsafe and hostile for women. They face trolling, character assassination, and mental harassment, which shakes their confidence.

Institutional arrangements for women in political parties such as mentoring, trained leadership development, and inclusion in decision-making units are also often absent. By forming Mahila Morchas, they are isolated from the main structure of the party, keeping

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To make the 2029 reservation meaningful, political parties will have to prepare from now itself. The first step is—voluntary internal quota. Giving priority to 33% women candidates in ticket distribution will not only be a preparation for reservation, but an initiative towards inclusive democracy. Examples like Australia's Labor Party show that internal quotas can positively change the culture of politics.

The second necessary step is financial support and structured training. Political parties should create separate election funds for women candidates so that they can bear the burden of election expenses. Canada's Judy Lamarsh Fund is a good example of this. Also, leadership programs should be run to prepare active women representatives in panchayats and municipalities for assembly and parliament level.

Women should also be given an active role in the party's core committees, policy making bodies and spokesperson boards. Leadership will not emerge by limiting itself to only Mahila Morcha or cultural events.

Parties like the IUML have recently included women in the core leadership—other parties should also take this direction.

Mentorship can also be a powerful tool. Experienced women leaders can guide new candidates, helping them develop confidence, policy understanding, and strategic skills. At the same time, a strict code of conduct and prompt action is necessary to prevent harassment or disrespectful behavior against women within the party.

Along with the efforts of political parties, the role of media and civil society is also important. Media should focus on the policy role, ideological outlook and social contribution of women leaders—not on their attire, personal life or controversies. Civil organizations should also take initiatives towards training, public awareness and promotion of women leadership.

Representation of women in politics is not just a question of gender equality but also a measure of the quality of democracy. If the basis of representation is limited to the reach and influence of men, then the form of democracy will remain incomplete. Women's reservation is not just a policy but a tool to make leadership inclusive, sensitive and balanced.

The 2029 elections will bring a historic opportunity for India. But if political parties do not invest in building women leadership now—this reservation will also remain just an extension of dynasty and tokenism in power.

Now is the time when parties should not talk about "leaving seats for women", but should take initiative to "set women up for leadership". This is the real way to strengthen democracy.

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DC Kupwara chairs mega Block Diwas at border block Keran Assures development of road connectivity, mobile network connectivity, hospital equipments

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KUPWARA, JULY 02: In order to review the developmental issues and grievances of the people at their doorsteps, Deputy Commissioner Kupwara, Ayushi Sudan today visited remote border area Keran and chaired a Mega Block Diwas function at Higher Secondary School (HSS).

ACD Kupwara, CEO, CPO, besides, other District and Block Level Officers and people in large number attended the programme.

Addressing the Block Diwas, the Deputy Commissioner said that the Keran block has a bright future because the Government of India has a special focus on its overall development. She highlighted various initiatives of the Central Government like Aspirational Block Development Programme and Vibrant Village Programme through which the holistic development of this border block is being ensured.



Addressing different issues of the people, the DC said that District Administration is committed to provide the basic infrastructure to the people of Keran especially road connectivity, hospital equipment and mobile network connectivity to ease out their sufferings.

She assured the people for redressal of their developmental issues and grievances and said that she will hold a separate comprehensive meeting of concerned officers to review the overall progress of various indicators of Aspirational block Keran.

To address the drop out rate in schools, the DC asked the CEO to make an action plan for motivation and retention of children, especially girls, to reduce the drop out rate. She also emphasized for monitoring the attendance of teachers and staff to ensure complete functioning of the schools.

On her arrival, the Deputy Commissioner took a detailed stock of the stalls established by various departments including Fisheries, Agriculture, Education, Health, ICDS, Animal Husbandry and others. She enquired about the progress and achievements of these departments under the Aspirational Block Development Programme (ABDP).

DDC Chairman reviews plan formulation of ADP under PRI, BDC and DDC grants in Udhampur

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UDHAMPUR, JULY 02: A meeting was convened in the Office Chamber of the Chairman District Development Council Udhampur under the chairmanship of Chairman District Development Council Udhampur, Lal Chand in the presence of all District Development Councillors of the district, CEO DDC Udhampur Rajinder Singh, Assistant Commissioner Development Udhampur Ashwani Hansa and all Block Development Officers of the District.

The meeting aimed to discuss and review the formulation of the Area Development Plan under PRI, BDC and DDC grants and strict directions were delivered to all the Block Development Officers to ensure that only feasible works, recommended by the general public in Gram Sabhas conducted in the presence of active repre-

sentatives and officials from the Rural Development Department should be included in the ADP plan.

The Chairman emphasised the importance of aligning development projects with the actual needs and aspirations of the local communities, ensuring that the benefits of development reach the grassroots level. The District Development Council Udhampur remains committed to fostering inclusive growth, development and empowerment in the region prioritising community-driven initiatives and collaborative governance.

DC Pulwama conducts field visit to assess status of water supply schemes



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PULWAMA, JULY 02: In order to take stock of progress of key infrastructural works under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) and NABARD, District Development Commissioner (DDC) Pulwama, Dr. Basharat Qayoom, today undertook a detailed field visit to multiple ongoing Water Supply Schemes (WSS) in the district.

The visit was aimed at obtaining comprehensive ground-level assessment of the execution status, identifying operational bottlenecks, and issuing necessary instructions to expedite completion of the works.

The DDC inspected various water supply schemes like NC Bonura, Arihal Arigam, Achal Astan (Peti-pora), Batnoor Sahoora, Lajoora, and Kerava Malangpora.

During the visit, Dr. Qayoom took strong note of the issues like halted electro-mechanical (EM) works. He directed the concerned officials to resolve minor issues in a time-bound manner. He stressed upon the need for speedy completion of Electro-Mechanical installations and asked the engineering staff to expedite the process of completion.

The DDC also visited WSS Ratnipora, a major water supply scheme being executed under NABARD funding, which is at the final stage of completion. He directed officials to complete final formalities and ensure that the scheme is commissioned at the earliest for the benefit local population.

The DDC reiterated that universal access to safe and adequate drinking water remains top priority for the district administration and called upon all executing agencies to work in close coordination to remove bottlenecks and accelerate the pace of implementation. He further directed officials to set clear timelines, maintain quality standards, and submit progress reports for effective monitoring. During the visit, the DDC was accompanied by Executive Engineer PHE Pulwama and concerned Assistant Executive Engineers, AEs, JEs and other field functionaries.

The visit concluded with on-spot instructions to the concerned engineers and field staff to intensify efforts and ensure that the benefits of Jal Jeevan Mission reach every eligible household in a time-bound manner.

DLIC Poonch approves 40 cases under Mission YUVA

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JPOONCH JULY 02: A District Level Implementation Committee (DLIC) meeting under Mission YUVA was convened under the chairmanship of Deputy Commissioner Poonch Vikas Kundal. The meeting aimed to review and approve self-employment cases under the NANO Enterprises component of Mission YUVA and to assess the overall progress of implementation in the district.

The session was attended by key district-level officers and stakeholders involved in the execution of the mission. Additional District Development Commis-



sioner Pankaj Mangotra (Nodal Officer, Mission YUVA); Khalid Wafa, General Manager, District Industries Centre (DIC); Abdul Majid Tantray, Deputy Director District Employment and Counselling Centre; Chief Agriculture Officer; District Sheep Husbandry Officer; District Horticulture Officer; Assistant Director, Handicrafts/Handloom;

Lead District Manager (LDM); as well as the Nodal Officers of Jammu & Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute (JKEDI) and National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) attended.

The meeting commenced with an overview of the progress made under Mission YUVA in the district, with particular focus on

the promotion of NANO Enterprises aimed at generating livelihood opportunities for the local youth. The chairperson emphasized the significance of Mission YUVA as a flagship initiative to empower unemployed youth through the provision of financial and institutional support to initiate micro-enterprises across various sectors. A total of 40 cases were presented before the committee for consideration and approval under the NANO Enterprises category. Each case was reviewed in detail and discussed thoroughly. The proposals were examined in light of feasibility, sustainability.

DC Kishtwar reviews progress of PMGSY projects in district

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KISHTWAR, JULY 02: Deputy Commissioner Kishtwar, Pankaj Kumar Sharma today chaired a comprehensive review meeting to evaluate the progress of road infrastructure projects being carried out under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) across the district. The Executive Engineer PMGSY Kishtwar presented a detailed PowerPoint presentation during the meeting. He informed that out of 99 sanctioned projects, 58 have been completed and 41 are in progress. In Division Marwah, 13 out of 21 schemes have been completed, with 5 currently ongoing.

A detailed review was carried out for key road projects under various stages of PMGSY implementation. These include roads from Gahan to Chandali, Nowapachi to Hanzal, Ikhala (Block Boundary Kishtwar) to Lopara, Mar-

gito Sukhnai, Cherji to Semna Bhatta, Hidyalt to Hargadi, TKN (Km 5th) to Mori, Afani to Jar, Shashoo to Sazar, Shiwas to Ongayee, Atholi to Palali, Kuriya to Keshwan, Kandni to Ohli, and Karool to Badhat, among others. The progress of bridge works under PMGSY was also reviewed.

The Deputy Commissioner issued directions to all Sub-Divisional Magistrates (SDMs) to monitor the progress of PMGSY works regularly in their respective jurisdictions. He also instructed the PMGSY department to initiate both phases of road works simultaneously, wherever applicable, to ensure faster execution.

To improve transparency and planning, the DC asked the Executive Engineers PMGSY to submit a month-wise completion plan for all ongoing works, including scheme-wise progress details and a list of projects delayed due to legal or court-related issues.

DC Samba assesses progress of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) - 2.0 survey in district

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SAMBA, JULY 02: Deputy Com-



missioner Samba Rajesh Sharma today convened a review meeting to assess the progress of the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) - 2.0 survey being undertaken in the district. The meeting aimed to evaluate the survey's status and ensure its effectiveness in identifying and verifying genuine beneficiaries under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme. The Deputy Commissioner expressed concern over the slow pace of the survey and emphasized

the need for accurate and time-bound completion. He directed the field functionaries and supervisors to complete the survey

that due diligence must be maintained at all stages of the process.

The meeting was attended by

within a week's time and cautioned that any laxity would not be tolerated. Furthermore, he instructed that daily progress reports be submitted to the designated nodal officer to facilitate close monitoring.

Stressing the importance of transparency, the Deputy Commissioner highlighted the need for proper identification of eligible beneficiaries so that timely benefits under the scheme reach deserving households. He reiter-

Additional District Development Commissioner Champa Devi Thakur; Chief Planning Officer; Chief Education Officer; District Statistics and Evaluation Officer; Chief Executive Officer, Municipal Committee Samba; and Executive Officers of Municipal Committees Ramgarh, Vijaypur, and Bari Brahmana. All field supervisors and survey staff were also present and were issued on-spot instructions to ensure adherence to guidelines and timelines.

Tribal, War Affected Farmers of Machil Benefit from ICAR Project, KVK Kupwara Organises Awareness, Input Distribution

DR. AB QAYOOM

Kupwara, Jul. 01: In a significant outreach initiative, Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) Kupwara SKUAST-K on Tuesday organised a comprehensive training programme and distributed agricultural inputs among war-affected tribal farmers of Ring payeen and Choti wari Payeen in Machil area of Kupwara district, under the Tribal Sub Plan project of ICAR. The programme was presided over by Prof. Kaiser Mohiuddin, Head, KVK Kupwara, alongside the scientific staff of the Kendra and other employees from line departments. Addressing the gathering, Prof. Kaiser lauded the dedicated efforts of Prof. Javed Ahmad Mugloo, Principal Investi-



gator of the project, for proactively addressing the agricultural challenges faced by tribal farmers in this remote and sensitive region. Prof. Kaiser also extended heartfelt

gratitude to Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Nazir Ahmad Ganai, Director Extension Prof. Rehana Habib Kant, and the District Development Commissioner Kupwara, Ms.

Ayushi Sudan, as well as Indian Army for their continuous support and cooperation in facilitating such farmer-centric programmes in border areas. During the programme, scientists interacted with the local farmers, disseminating valuable information about various government schemes, modern agricultural practices, and solutions for their existing farming-related issues. The farmers, in turn, raised their concerns and appreciated the university authorities for their committed efforts towards the welfare of the tribal farming community. The programme concluded meaningfully at the Zero Line in Ring Bala of Machil, symbolising a message of development, resilience, and solidarity for the border community.

DC Udhampur reviews performance of banks at DLRC & DCC meeting

Directs financial institutions to facilitate target beneficiaries

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UDHAMPUR, JULY 02: To assess the performance of banks for the quarter ending March 2025, the District Level Review Committee cum District Consultative Committee meeting was today chaired by Deputy Commissioner Udhampur Saloni Rai, here at the Conference Hall, DC Office Complex. The meeting was attended by GM DIC Kishore Singh Katoch, Assistant Commissioner Revenue Dr. Umesh Shan, Assistant Commissioner Panchayat Dr. Ashwani Hansa, and district officers from stakeholder departments. A detailed discussion was held on several key issues, including the issuance of Kisan Credit Cards, sector-wise lending in priority and non-priority sectors,

bank-wise position of deposits and advances, the district's financial inclusion plan and the implementation of the Stand-Up India Programme launched by the Prime Minister.

Deputy Commissioner emphasized the need to organize financial literacy awareness camps in coordination with various departments across all blocks of the district to ensure that maximum benefits reach the grassroots level. She urged the bankers to proactively reach out to the stakeholders, improve credit-deposit ratio and Priority Sector lending to uplift the socio-economic conditions of the underprivileged sections of society.

The DC also instructed officials to adopt a public-friendly approach and work in close coordination to achieve the desired results at the grassroots level.

DC Shopian chairs DLCC review meeting on Tobacco Control

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Shopian, July 02: The District Level Coordination Committee (DLCC) review meeting was held today at Mini Secretariat, Shopian to facilitate the strict enforcement of 'Control of Tobacco Protection Act, 2003' (COTPA) and 'National Tobacco Control Program' (NTCP) in the district. The meeting, chaired by Deputy Commissioner Shishir Gupta, reviewed the measures and action taken till date towards the promotion of Tobacco free society. Officers of the health department presented various provisions of COTPA and NTCP for awareness of the stakeholder departments. They called for the conduct of enforcement drives against smoking in the public places with focus on



imposing fines against the violations. The DC directed for ensuring strict enforcement of Tobacco Control measures especially in prohibited public places including the educational and health-care institutions. He also discussed the modalities for making all the government institutions/high footfall areas

as 'Tobacco Free Zones' and all educational institutions as 'Tobacco Free Educational institutions' as per the guidelines. The DC directed for displaying mandatory signages across the prominent places, denouncing use of tobacco products. He asked for strict enforcement of surrogate advertising and

imposition of fines by all the departmental nodal officers against violations in their respective areas. The members deliberated on the critical role of multi sectoral strategies and proper implementation of laws to tackle the issue comprehensively. They assured a tougher and strictest stance and enforcement from the police administration in the district towards the implementation of NTCP and COTPA. Emphasis was given on strict enforcement of rules by the shopkeepers selling tobacco products besides installation of CCTVs in the shop premises. ADC Shopian Dr. Zakir Hussain Faaz, district officers and nodal agencies besides other concerned officers from the district attended the meeting.

Kulgam admin accords warm welcome to first batch of Shri Amarnathji Yatra 2025 at Qazigund

Farooq Rather

KULGAM, JULY 02: The first batch of Shri Amarnathji Yatra 2025 pilgrims was received with a warm and rousing welcome at Navyug Tunnel, Qazigund. The reception was led by Deputy Commissioner Kulgam, Athar Aamir Khan, along with DIG South Kashmir, Javid Ahmad Matoo and SSP Kulgam, Sahil Sarangal. Local citizens, trade fraternity and members of civil society enthusiastically participated in welcoming the yatriss with garlands, flowers and traditional Kashmiri hospitality, reflecting the district's spirit of communal harmony and brotherhood. The atmosphere was filled with devotion, warmth and respect as the yatriss expressed gratitude for the cordial reception.



Elaborate arrangements have been put in place to ensure the safety, comfort and smooth passage of the pilgrims throughout the yatra period.

Handicrafts and Handloom deptt organises awareness camp

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Shopian, July 02: As part of the public outreach programme of the department, a one day seminar cum awareness camp was organized by the Department of Handicrafts and Handlooms, Shopian, at Gagren on Tuesday. During the day-long camp, the experts from Craft Development Institute and Industries and Commerce Department appraised the participants of GI, product branding, marketing strategies and product diversification. More than 100 artisans and local people

attended the event. The Department deliberated upon the importance of the sector for boosting UT's economy. It exhorted upon the participants to avail the benefits being offered under different departmental schemes including credit card scheme for artisans and weavers, Weavers Mudra Scheme, Education Scholarship for children of Artisans and Weavers, Karkhandar Scheme, Financial Assistance to Cooperative Societies and GI tagging of selected Kashmiri crafts like Pashmina, carpet weaving and Sozni Embroidery.

ADC reviews arrangements for ensuing Muharram-ul-Harram

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Budgam, July 02: Additional Deputy Commissioner Budgam, Mehraj-ud-Din Shah, today convened a meeting of officers to review the arrangements being put in place for the 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th Muharram-ul-Harram in the district. The meeting had detailed deliberation on various issues and demands including scheduled power and water supply, repairing and surface leveling of roads, link roads and inner lanes in all areas, timely distribution of ration, LPG and firewood, sanitation, installation/restoration of street lights, daily garbage lifting, adequate healthcare facilities, transport and other related facilities in all Shia dominated areas. Stressing on prompt and elaborate arrangements, the ADC directed the officers to ensure full support and fulfil the genuine demands well in advance. He directed the officers to ensure adequate supply of essential commodities like Ration, water supply, power supply, firewood etc on Muharram. The ADC asked the concerned authorities to ensure full security and free transport facilities during the period. The meeting among others was attended by SDMs, CMO, Executive Engineers of R&B, PDD and PHE, EOs and others.



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SHOPIAN, JULY 02: Deputy Commissioner, Shopian, Shishir Gupta today visited Keller tehsil of the district and held inspections of land revenue records. The DC conducted in-depth inspections of Roz Namcha (daily record of events and transactions of Patwari), Girdawari (record of land revenue collection), Jamabandi (record of land ownership and

rights), Parat Patwar (record of land transactions and mutations) and Parat Sarkar (government record of land holdings). After conducting analysis of records, he directed concerned officers and officials to properly maintain these records and emphasised on its regular and timely updation. DC instructed that Mutation camps be organised regularly and directed Tehsildar for village wise organisation of

camps across the Tehsil for improving land record management, reducing disputes, and enhancing transparency. Afterwards, the DC also met local applicants and listened to their issues. He directed Tehsildar for prompt resolution of same ADC, Dr. Zakir Hussain Faaz, ACR, Shakoor Ahmad Dar, DIO, Showkat Hussain Ganie and Tehsildar Keller, Latafat Hussain Shawl were also present.

Baramulla Admin bids farewell to Hilal Ahmad Wani

BARAMULLA, JULY 02: A farewell function was organized today at the Meeting Hall of the Deputy Commissioner's office here to bid farewell to Hilal Ahmad Wani, Accounts Officer, on his transfer to the Jammu and Kashmir Board of School Education (JKBOSE). The event was presided over by Deputy Commissioner Baramulla, Minga Sherpa and attended by the Additional District Development Commissioner (ADDC), Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC), Joint Director Planning (JDP), Assistant Commissioner Revenue (ACR), District Information Officer, District Informatics Officer, and other senior officials.

District Treasury Office organizes orientation programme on SNA-SPARSH

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KULGAM JULY 02: The District Treasury Office Kulgam under the directions of the Finance Department conducted an orientation programme on the Single Nodal Account Samyochit Pronali Aakakrit Shigr Hastantaran (SNA-SPARSH), model for efficient management of funds under Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS). The programme was attended by Drawing and Disbursing Officers (DDOs) associated with the District Treasury Kulgam and its subordinate Treasuries, aimed at familiarizing them with the SNA-SPARSH system



for seamless financial operations. The session began with a comprehensive introduction to the model by the District Treasury Office Kulgam who highlighted the role of SNA-SPARSH in strengthening the financial governance at the grassroots level. The PowerPoint Presentation on SNA-SPARSH and a demo on bill generation on JKPaySys

from DDO maker to checker login were presented by the NIC expert, Murtaza Ali. The SNA-SPARSH model integrates critical financial platforms, including JKBEAMS, PEMS and eKuber of RBI, facilitating real-time fund transfers directly from the Central and State Consolidated Funds to the implementing agencies. This reform is part of a broader financial transformation under the Finance Department, complementing the systems like BEAMS, JKPaySys, Treasury Net and e-Kuber, aimed at ensuring timely, transparent and efficient release of funds to the beneficiaries.

SANJY 2025: Bandipora admin receives first batch of Shri Amarnathji pilgrims at Shadipora Transit Camp

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BANDIPORA, JULY 02: In a gesture of hospitality, the first batch of Shri Amarnathji Yatra (SANJY) pilgrims was warmly received by a team of Bandipora district administration led by Deputy Commissioner, Manzoor Ahmad Qadri, as they reached Shadipora Transit Camp in Bandipora on Wednesday. The DC was accompanied by SSP Bandipora Harmeet Singh Mehta besides other civil and police officials. On the occasion, the DC extended a warm welcome to the pilgrims by presenting



garlands as a gesture of respect and goodwill. The pilgrims were also served refreshment, reflecting a hospitable and comfortable experience for the devotees.

As the first batch of yatriss embarked on their spiritual journey towards the Holy Cave, the DC wished them a

fulfilling and blessed pilgrimage. The DC informed that the district administration has put in place all arrangements in advance for a hassle-free yatra. He stated that the administration has implemented comprehensive plans to facilitate smooth and hassle-free experiences for all the pilgrims. Earlier, the Deputy Commissioner inspected various facilities including accommodation, bedding, water supply, electricity, langars and other essentials at Shadipora Yatra Transit Camp.

State Tax Department launches operation against Fake ITC Evasion in Kashmir

Srinagar, July 2: In a resolute effort to safeguard the public revenue and ensure compliance with the Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime, the State Taxes Department Kashmir today conducted massive raids against the business entities involved in fraudulent Input Tax Credit (ITC) practices across Kashmir. These meticulously executed raids, planned over the past month, unearthed significant instances of tax fraud, reinforcing the department's commitment towards curbing the fraudulent tax practices. The raids were initiated based on credible intelligence inputs regarding widespread misuse of ITC provisions, particularly in Kashmir, where

certain commodities such as iron, cement and steel have been identified as highly susceptible to tax evasion. The investigation cell of the State Taxes Department conducted thorough research over the past 30 days to identify the entities involved in generating fake invoices and passing ineligible ITC. The department's proactive approach was driven by a "reason to believe" that fraudulent practices were causing substantial revenue losses to the exchequer. The investigation zeroed in on sectors such as iron, cement and steel and other high-value commodities known for their vulnerability to tax evasion. These sectors have been exploited through fake billing



and shell companies to fraudulently claim ITC without actual supply of goods or services in violation of the Act and rules. The State Taxes Department's enforcement team, under the guidance of Additional Commissioner State Taxes Department Kashmir, Parveez Ahmad Raina, worked tirelessly to map out the complex web of transactions and pinpoint the perpetrators. The crackdown was proposed and executed under the leadership of Commissioner State Taxes J&K, P.K. Bhat. The operation comprised seven specialized teams, properly trained and adequately equipped, each led by a State Tax Officer (STO) and support-

ed by a dedicated team of inspectors and Sub-Inspectors. These teams were tasked with conducting simultaneous raids in the early hours today across multiple locations across North Kashmir, targeting the businesses and individuals suspected of orchestrating fake ITC rackets. Over the past month, the team cross-referenced GST returns and conducted physical verifications to identify discrepancies in ITC claims. The underlying aim is to create a robust and transparent tax regime, deterring fraudsters from exploiting loopholes and encouraging the honest taxpayers to contribute to the region's economic progress.

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PM Modi embarks on five-nation visit, to attend BRICS Summit in Rio De Janeiro

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
New Delhi, July 2

Prime Minister Narendra Modi today embarked on a five-nation visit to Ghana, Trinidad & Tobago, Argentina, Brazil, and Namibia from July 2 to 9, during which he will be attending various bilateral, multilateral and other programmes, especially the BRICS Summit in Rio de Janeiro. In a post on X, the PM said he is looking forward to interacting with world leaders and discussing ways to make our planet better. "Over the next few days, I will be attending various bilateral, multilateral and other programmes in Ghana, Trinidad & Tobago, Argentina, Brazil, and Namibia. Looking forward to interacting with world leaders and discussing ways to make our planet better."

"Later this evening, I will reach Ghana, a valued friend in Africa and a key partner in the Global South. The talks with President John Dramani Mahama will provide an opportunity to boost India-Ghana friendship across various sectors. It is also an honour to be getting the opportunity to address the Parliament of Ghana tomorrow, 3rd July. "On 3rd and 4th July, I will be in Trinidad & Tobago, a nation with whom India shares historical linkages. The meetings with President Christine Carla Kangaloo and Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar will add momentum to the economic and cultural cooperation between our nations." My visit to Argentina will be the first bilateral visit by an Indian Prime Minister in 57 years. India and Argentina are working



closely in G20 and also bilaterally to improve economic linkages, especially in futuristic sectors such as technology and innovation. Will be holding detailed discussions with President Javier Milei during this visit. "My visit to Brazil includes participation in the BRICS Summit in Rio de Janeiro and a bilateral state visit in Brasilia, which would be the first by an Indian Prime

Minister in almost six decades. There would be various meetings with world leaders on the sidelines of the Rio BRICS Summit. Am also eager to meet President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva to discuss new avenues of India-Brazil cooperation. "The visit to Namibia seeks to strengthen relations with a trusted partner with whom we have a shared history when it comes to resisting colonialism. President Dr. Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah and I will talk about ways to boost ties across many sectors. It'll be an honour to address the Namibian Parliament too." In a departure statement, the PM said: "At the invitation of President H.E. John Dramani Mahama, I will visit Ghana on 2-3 July. Ghana is a valued partner in the Global South and plays an impor-

tant role in the African Union and the Economic Community of West African States. I look forward to my exchanges aimed at further deepening our historical ties and opening up new windows of cooperation, including in the areas of investment, energy, health, security, capacity building and development partnership. As fellow democracies, it will be an honour to speak at the Parliament of Ghana. "On 3-4 July, I will be in the Republic of Trinidad & Tobago, a country with which we share deep-rooted historical, cultural and people-to-people connect. I will meet President H.E. Mrs. Christine Carla Kangaloo, who was the Chief Guest at this year's Pravasi Bhartiya Divas, and Prime Minister H.E. Mrs. Kamla Persad-Bissessar.

Telangana blast toll rises to 40; 33 injured

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
Hyderabad, July 2

The death toll from the tragic fire accident at a pharmaceutical unit at Pashamylaram Industrial area on the outskirts of the city rose to 40 today. In an exchange filing today, Sigachi Industries said "It is with anguish that we share details of the accident that occurred at the Sigachi Industries facility in Pashamylaram, resulting in the loss of 40 valued team members and one that left over 33 injured. The plant operations will remain temporarily suspended for around 90 days, it said. "As we await the results of the investigation, we would like to clarify that the accident was 'not caused by a reactor explosion' at the plant, as mentioned in a section of the media," the company said in its letter to the National Stock Exchange of India Limited. "We will continue to send updates as we receive information from the investigations." Since the time of the tragic accident, we have been coordinating the emergency response, family support, and extending cooperation with the investigation and compliance efforts," the company said. Sigachi Industries Ltd has committed to an ex-gratia compensation of Rs 1 crore to the families of the deceased, while those injured will receive full medical and rehabilitation support. "We will continue to share updates and developments that are within the boundaries of the investigation," the company added.

Poland SC validates presidential election result

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
Warsaw, July 2

Poland's supreme court confirmed that Karol Nawrocki was elected president of the country in June. "All of the circumstances clearly demonstrate that Karol Tadeusz Nawrocki garnered more votes than Rafal Kazimierz Trzaskowski during the second round of the vote," said Krzysztof Wiak, head of the supreme court chamber. Nawrocki, an independent candidate backed by the opposition Law and

Justice Party, received 50.89 per cent of the vote in the presidential runoff, beating Trzaskowski, candidate of the ruling Civic Coalition and mayor of Warsaw, who collected 49.11 per cent. Under the Polish constitution, the supreme court is required to validate the ballot before the winner can be sworn in at a joint session of parliament chambers. Nawrocki is set to succeed incumbent President Andrzej Duda, whose second and final term will end on August 6.

EAM Jaishankar meets US Secy of Defence Pete Hegseth, discusses advancing bilateral defence partnership

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
Washington/New Delhi, July 2

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar met with US Secretary of Defence Pete Hegseth during which they discussed advancing the bilateral defence partnership and building on growing convergences and capabilities. In a post on X, the EAM said: "Great to meet @SecDef Pete Hegseth in Washington DC today. "Had a productive conversation on advancing the India-US defence partnership, building on growing convergences of interests, capabilities and responsibilities." A US Department of Defense readout, said the two met at the Pentagon, "to discuss the close cooperation between the two countries, weapons sales and the upcoming signing of the framework for the new defense partnership." Almost right at the beginning of the administration, President [Donald J.] Trump and Prime Minister Shri [Narendra] Modi set a strong foundation for our relationship, which we're building on here today: productive, pragmatic and realistic," Hegseth said. "And our nations boast a rich and growing history of cooperation driven by a shared commitment to



a free and open Indo-Pacific." The secretary said both the U.S. and India are mutually aware of the security concerns in the region, and both nations have the ability to counter that threat together. He also touched on U.S. efforts to provide India with the tools needed to counter threats in the Indo-Pacific region. "The United States is very pleased with the successful integration of many U.S. defense items into India's inventory," Hegseth said. "And building on this progress, we hope we can complete several major pending U.S. defense sales to India, expand our shared defense industrial cooperation and coproduction efforts, strengthen interoperability ... between our forces, and then formally sign a new 10-year Framework for the U.S.-India Major Defense Partnership ... which we hope to do very soon."

Rahul Gandhi marks 1 yr as LoP, reaffirms commitment to Constitution and people

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
New Delhi, July 2

Marking the completion of one year as Leader of Opposition (LoP) in the Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi today highlighted his journey, sharing key moments, personal experiences, and his continued efforts to uphold the Constitution and amplify the voice of the people. In a social media post, Gandhi highlighted the central themes of his tenure so far including defending democratic values, presenting a clear economic vision for the country and connecting with citizens across diverse communities. "As I complete one year as the Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha, I am sharing with you the memories, experiences, and my ongoing fight to protect the Constitution," he wrote.



Gandhi invited the public to revisit his parliamentary speeches, which he said outline his vision for India's economy and shed light on the factors that led to the INDI alliance's success in the 2024 general elections. He also underscored his extensive outreach efforts, citing interactions with a wide cross-section of society, from the conflict-affected people of Manipur to farmers, Anganwadi

workers, and Dalit youth across the country. Meanwhile, the Congress through a newsletter said that Rahul Gandhi had centered his role as LoP around "amplifying public concerns", especially those of the most marginalised communities. Over the past year, he has consistently highlighted critical national issues from advocating a nationwide caste census to demanding justice for the victims of violence in Manipur and fighting for the rights of Dalit youth, farmers and Anganwadi workers. According to Congress, Gandhi's sustained advocacy compelled the government to take significant policy actions, including ordering a nationwide caste census, fulfilling a long-standing demand for greater social justice; imposing President's Rule in Manipur, amid continued unrest and violence.

Union Minister Kishan Reddy calls upon youth to actively participate in politics

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
Hyderabad, July 2

Union Minister Kishan Reddy on Wednesday said that the youth across the country should actively participate in politics. Addressing a mock parliament session organised by Mahila Morcha Telangana state unit on the occasion of 50 years of Congress Emergency at KMIT here, Kishan Reddy said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision is to introduce ethical and principled politics and that is why he has called upon one lakh young people nationwide to enter the political arena. The youth participating in this mock parliament must strive to reach the level required to debate effectively in the actual Parliament in the future, he said. "The Indian Constitution



is the best constitution in the world. In contrast, countries like Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka have faced internal crises due to military regimes suppressing democracy by violating their constitutions," he added. "In India, we are successfully implementing the Constitution drafted by Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar. However, it should be remembered that in 1975,

during Indira Gandhi's regime, the Constitution was set aside, civil rights were suppressed, press freedom was curtailed, and a state of emergency was imposed", he pointed out. At that time, without any discussion in the cabinet, the President was forcibly made to sign the order at midnight, and by dawn, hundreds of thousands were arrested. Among those arrested were Jayaprakash Narayan, Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Lal Krishna Advani, V. Ramarao, Venkaiah Naidu, and Bandaru Dattatreya, he said. This mock parliament is being held with the intention that today's generation should understand the anti-democratic actions that took place during the Emergency, said Kishan Reddy.

Musk praises Trump for resolving 'several serious conflicts around world'

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
Washington, July 2



US entrepreneur Elon Musk today praised US President Donald Trump for resolving "several serious conflicts around the world," after receiving criticism from the US leader. Earlier on Tuesday, Trump threatened to unleash DOGE on Musk, following the billionaire's latest sharp criticism of the One Big Beautiful Bill currently under consideration in Congress. Musk responded to Trump's statement by saying on X that he would refrain from escalating the situation, despite his strong desire to do so. "Credit where credit is due. Donald Trump has successfully resolved several serious conflicts around the world," he said on X, in a comment to Trump's statement about brokering a 60-day ceasefire between Israel and Hamas. The lower house of the US Congress in May advanced Trump's "One Big Beautiful Bill," which cuts federal spending but simultaneously provides serious tax breaks. As a result, according to the Congressional Budget Office, both the budget deficit and the national debt will grow. Musk has repeatedly criticized Trump's bill on social media. He said, in particular, that the bill would drive the US's budget deficit up to \$2.5 trillion and push American citizens into debt. According to analysts, the United States may be on the verge of default by August if Republicans and Democrats in Congress do not agree on raising the debt ceiling. The issue of raising the borrowing limit has often been used in political disputes within Congress between the two US parties in recent years.

Hasina sentenced to 6 months jail by International Crimes Tribunal for contempt of court

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
Dhaka, July 2

Former Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, who is living in exile in India, has been sentenced to six months in jail by the International Crimes Tribunal for contempt of court. A three-member tribunal, led by Justice Md Golam Mortuza Mozumder, passed the order today after reviewing a purported leaked phone conversation involving Hasina that circulated on social media last year, Daily Star reported. In the audio clip, Hasina is allegedly heard telling former Gobindaganj upazila chairman Shakil Akanda



Bulbul, "I have had 227 cases filed against me, so I have received a licence to kill 227 people." The tribunal considered the statement contemptuous and a direct attempt to undermine the court. Shakil Akanda Bulbul, a leader of the Awami League's banned student affiliate Chhatra League from

Gaibandha's Gobindaganj, has been sentenced to two months in prison for his role in the conversation. According to tribunal sources, the sentence will take effect only once the convicts surrender before the court or are arrested by law-enforcers. Once enforced, the sentence will be classified as non-rigorous imprisonment. This marks the first time Hasina has been sentenced in any case since her ouster from office on August 5 last year, in the face of a so-called student-led protest, and her fleeing to New Delhi, India, where she has been staying since then under heavy security. The Criminal Investigation Department (CID) had conducted a forensic

analysis and confirmed the authenticity of the audio. The charges were filed against Hasina and Shakil by the ICT's Chief Prosecutor Tajul Islam on April 30. The tribunal accepted the charges that day and ordered the accused to respond by May 15. When they failed to do so, the tribunal issued a summons on May 25 for them to appear in court. Although the law does not require the appointment of a state-funded lawyer in such cases, the court appointed a legal representative for Hasina "in the interest of justice". For the full hearing of the case, the ICT appointed AY Mashuazzaman as amicus curiae (a friend of the court).

BJP slams Cong for pact with Jamaat-e-Islami in Kerala bypolls, calls it 'double standards'

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
New Delhi, July 2

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) today launched a scathing attack on the Congress for its alliance during the Nilambur Assembly by-election in Kerala with Jamaat-e-Islami, an organisation that, it alleged, has long opposed democracy, the Indian Constitution, and secular values. Rajeesh Chandrasekhar, Kerala State President of the BJP and former Union Minister while addressing the media, traced the controversial history of Jamaat-e-Islami, saying that it has openly advocated for the implementation of Sharia law in India and rejected the core principles of democracy and secularism. In support of his claims, the BJP

leader referred to a 2018 statement by Congress's former Kerala Chief Minister, Oommen Chandy, who had referred to Jamaat-e-Islami as "dangerous and anti-national." Chandrasekhar accused Congress of double standards, saying, "On one hand, leaders like Rahul Gandhi often parade the Constitution, symbolising their commitment to secularism, while on the other, they forge alliances with radical and anti-national groups like Jamaat-e-Islami." He emphasised that the Congress had allied with Jamaat-e-Islami in the recent Nilambur by-election, a seat that falls within the Wayanad parliamentary constituency once represented by Congress MP Rahul Gandhi. Congress won the seat in the bypolls.

Ayushman Bharat: A Healthcare Revolution Paving the Path to a Viksit Bharat.



Shahid Nazeer

In a deeply resonant message to the people of India, Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently reaffirmed the government's steadfast commitment to ensuring universal health coverage. With a powerful phrase—"Your health is our commitment"—the Prime Minister underscored the monumental significance of the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY), a scheme that has redefined the contours of public healthcare in the country.

The Prime Minister's letter is more than a message it's a reminder of the silent transformation taking place in India's healthcare ecosystem. In a nation as vast and socio-economically diverse as India, where access to affordable and quality medical treatment has long remained a challenge, Ayushman Bharat has emerged as a beacon of hope for over 55 to 60 crore citizens. The scheme offers cashless treatment up to 5 lakh per year per family, covering a range of services including secondary and tertiary care hospitalization.

This initiative, often hailed as the world's largest government-funded health insurance program, particularly benefits the economically weaker sections, the lower middle class, and the elderly segments that are most vulnerable to the crushing financial burden of health emergencies. Prior to Ayushman Bharat, even a minor medical emergency could push families below the poverty line. Stories like that of Gyanendra, a common citizen who now receives medical treatment without financial strain, are testaments to the scheme's ground-level impact.

Bridging the Healthcare Gap

Ayushman Bharat is not merely a financial support mechanism; it is an integrated healthcare vision. It connects citi-

zens to a growing network of over 27,000 empanelled hospitals across the country both public and private ensuring that quality care is not confined to urban centers. The scheme has successfully performed over 6 crore treatments to date, covering everything from cardiac surgeries to cancer therapies, orthopaedic procedures to neonatal care.

More than a welfare program, Ayushman Bharat symbolizes a shift in governance philosophy: from reactive to proactive, from exclusion to inclusion. It is a model that enshrines healthcare as a right, not a privilege.

Economic and Social Impact

The broader implications of the scheme are just as profound. According to global development studies, an increase of just one year in average life expectancy thanks to better healthcare can lead to a 4% increase in GDP. This statistic alone reveals the immense potential of Ayushman Bharat, not only as a public health intervention but also as a driver of national economic growth.

By reducing out-of-pocket expenses, safeguarding families from medical bankruptcies, and improving workforce productivity, the scheme contributes significantly to poverty alleviation and social equity. It also stimulates the healthcare sector, creating new jobs, encouraging medical entrepreneurship, and fostering investment in healthcare infrastructure.

Foundation of a Viksit Bharat

India is rapidly advancing toward the dream of Viksit Bharat (Developed India) by 2047, and healthcare is central to this vision. Ayushman Bharat is laying the foundation for a more inclusive, healthier, and resilient nation one where no Indian is left behind because of their inability to afford treatment.

The Prime Minister's message reflects a deeper understanding that true national development begins with healthy citizens. By reducing the health burden on families and empowering them to focus on education, employment, and entrepreneurship, the scheme is enabling transformative change from the grassroots up.

Empowering the Margins

Another notable aspect is the way Ayushman Bharat empowers rural and marginalized populations, often sidelined in traditional healthcare models. The scheme uses technology-driven systems like e-cards, digital health IDs, and real-time monitoring, ensuring transparency, accountability, and seamless access to services even in remote regions.

Women, too, have emerged as primary beneficiaries, as the scheme covers critical maternal and reproductive health services. For the elderly, who often face multiple comorbidities and lack financial support, Ayushman Bharat offers not just treatment, but dignity and care.

Looking Ahead

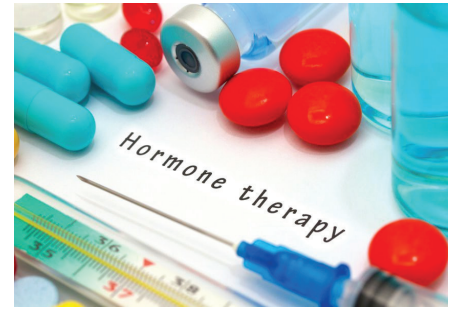
The journey is far from over. As India continues to build on this momentum, focus areas include expanding the range of treatments, increasing awareness among eligible families, integrating preventive healthcare, and strengthening the role of Health & Wellness Centres (HWCs) that form the primary care backbone of the Ayushman Bharat vision.

As the Prime Minister aptly stated, "Your health is our commitment"—a commitment that has moved beyond slogans into action, outcomes, and lasting societal change.

Ayushman Bharat stands today not just as a government scheme, but as a silent revolution transforming lives, empowering communities, and redefining what it means to be truly developed.

Hormone therapy may influence breast cancer risk under age 55: Study

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
Los Angeles, July 2



A new study led by scientists at the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) has found that two common forms of hormone therapy may alter breast cancer risk in women under the age of 55.

According to the study, women who received unopposed estrogen hormone therapy (E-HT) had a lower risk of developing breast cancer compared to those who did not use hormone therapy. In contrast, women treated with combined estrogen plus progestin hormone therapy (EP-HT) were found to have a higher risk of developing the disease.

The findings, published Monday in The Lancet Oncology, are based on an extensive analysis of data from over 459,000 women under the age of 55 across North America, Europe, Asia and Australia. "Our study provides greater understanding of the risks associated with different types of hormone therapy, which we hope will help patients and their doctors develop more informed treatment plans," said lead author Katie O'Brien, a researcher at NIH's National Institute of Environmental Health Sci-

ences (NIEHS). The study found that E-HT use was associated with a 14 percent reduction in breast cancer incidence compared to non-users. The protective effect was more pronounced among women who began E-HT at a younger age or used it for a longer duration.

Conversely, women using EP-HT experienced a 10 percent higher risk of breast cancer, which increased to 18 percent among those who used the therapy for more than two years.

The cumulative risk of breast cancer before age 55 was estimated at 3.6 percent for E-HT users, 4.5 percent for EP-HT users, and 4.1 percent for women who never used hormone therapy, according to the study.

Sudden Livestock Outbreak in Machil: KVK Kupwara (SKUAST-K) Conducts Emergency Veterinary Camp

DR. AB QAYOOM

Kupwara, July 01: In response to an alarming livestock health crisis that has gripped the remote border village of Chotiwari Payeen in the Machil sector for the past two months, a scientific team from Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) Kupwara conducted an extensive field visit and veterinary medical camp on Tuesday. The team, led by Prof. Kaiser Mohi-ud-Din Malik, along with Dr. Nazir Ahmad and other experts, visited the affected area under the directions of Vice Chancellor SKUAST-K Prof. Nazir Ahmad Ganai, Director Extension Prof. Raihana Habib Kanth, and Deputy Commissioner Kupwara Ayushi Sudan. During the visit, the team organized an on-spot veterinary medical camp and a mass awareness program for local farmers. Free medicines were distributed among livestock owners, with the aim of containing the spread of disease and improving animal health in the beleaguered village. This intervention comes in the wake of a sudden outbreak of acute diarrhea and high fever among livestock, which has reportedly claimed the lives of several animals, including two cows and a calf, while leaving dozens more critically ill. Local residents expressed heartfelt gratitude to the SKUAST-K authorities and the district administration for their swift response. However, they also voiced strong resentment against the concerned employ-



ees of the Animal Husbandry Department, accusing them of negligence and inaction that allegedly exacerbated the crisis and deepened the hardships of the farming community in this far-flung border region. "The timely intervention by the KVK team is commendable, but the authorities must also hold accountable those responsible for ignoring our repeated pleas over the past two months," said a local farmer. The community has appealed for continuous veterinary support and preventive health measures to avoid future outbreaks and safeguard the fragile rural economy of the region, which relies heavily on livestock farming.

Covid vaccine safe for heart, says Health Ministry citing AIIMS, ICMR studies

Ministry citing AIIMS, ICMR studies

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
Hyderabad, July 2

A day after Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah linked heart-related deaths in Hassan district to Covid vaccine, the Union Health Ministry today rebut his claims saying that extensive studies by ICMR and AIIMS have conclusively found no such connections.

Siddaramaiah had on Tuesday said "hasty approval and distribution" of the Covid vaccine to the public could also be a reason for these deaths and urged everyone to visit the nearest health centre immediately for a check-up if they have symptoms such as chest pain or difficulty breathing, and not to ignore these signs.

However, the Ministry trashed his observation, saying that the matter of sudden unexplained deaths has been investigated through several agencies in the country and these studies have conclusively established that there is no direct link between



Covid-19 vaccination and reports of sudden deaths. The Ministry cited studies by the ICMR and National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) saying that they have affirmed that Covid-19 vaccines in India are safe and effective, with extremely rare instances of serious side effects. Sudden cardiac deaths can result from a wide range of factors, including genetics, lifestyle, pre-existing conditions, and post-Covid complications, the Ministry said in

a statement. The ICMR and NCDC have been working together to understand the causes behind sudden unexplained deaths, especially in young adults between the ages of 18 and 45 years. To explore this, two complementary studies were undertaken using different research approaches -- one based on past data and another involving real-time investigation. The first study was conducted by ICMR's National Institute of Epidemiology (NIE) was titled "Factors associated with unexplained sudden deaths among adults aged 18-45 years in India - a multi-centric matched case control study," from May to August 2023 across 47 tertiary care hospitals in 19 states and Union territories, the statement said. It looked at individuals who appeared to be healthy but died suddenly between October 2021 and March 2023. The findings have conclusively showed that Covid-19 vaccination does not increase the risk of unexplained sudden deaths in young adults.

Cambodia apprehends 12,728 drug suspects, with 1.46 tons of narcotics in H1 2025

UNITED NEWS OF INDIA
Phnom Penh, July 2

Cambodia had detained 12,728 drug-relat-

ed suspects in the first half of 2025, up 8 percent from 11,780 over the same period last year, said an Anti-Drug Department (ADP) report today. Among them are 304 foreigners, including 29 women, the report said. "A total of 1.46 tons of illicit drugs, as well as 366 kg of dry marijuana and 12,212 fresh marijuana plants, had been confiscated from those suspects' possession during the January-June period this year," the report said. Also, the authorities had seized 546 kg of

drug ingredients, 32 pistols, 15 rifles, 102 cars, 1,283 motorcycles, 4,578 telephones and 438 scales, as well as some cash during the raids, the report added. Most of the confiscated narcotics were ketamine, ecstasy, heroin, crystal methamphetamine, methamphetamine pills, cocaine, and cathinone, among others. The Southeast Asian nation has no death sentence for illicit drug traffickers. Under its law, those found guilty of trafficking more than 80 grams of illicit drugs could be imprisoned for life.

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Pant Climbs to No. 6 in Test Rankings; Head Also Gains

United News of India

LEEDS: Rishabh Pant has risen to No. 6 among Test batters after his twin centuries in the Headingley Test against England last week. Pant gained one spot after knocks of 134 and 118, even as they came in a losing cause. His current ranking is only one short of his career-best spot of No. 5, which he had achieved in 2022.

Pant's overall rating of 801 points is also his highest ever, but is still 88 short of the No. 1-ranked Test batter Joe Root. The England batter scored 28 in the first innings at Headingley, and followed that up with 53* in a successful chase of 371. Root's team-mate and England's opening batter Ben Duckett, who had smashed 149 in the chase, got to a career-high ratings point of 787 to remain No. 8.

Meanwhile, Travis Head's pair of half-centuries in the Barbados Test against West Indies helped him climb three places up to No. 10. Head scored 59 in the first innings to help Australia recover from 22 for 3, and 61 in the second to propel them to a match-winning lead.



Among bowlers, Jasprit Bumrah retained his No. 1 spot after a five-wicket haul at Headingley. Josh Hazlewood, who starred with 5 for 43 in the second innings in Barbados, gained one spot up to No. 4. Jayden Seales, who bagged 5 for 60 in the first innings, moved up one place to No. 9.

Ravindra Jadeja continues to be at the top of all-rounders' rankings in Tests. South Africa's Wiaan Mulder and Corbin Bosch entered the top 20 rankings after their all-round heroics in their side's win in the Bulawayo Test against Zimbabwe.

TRAFFIC POLICE HEADQUARTERS, J&K, JAMMU/SRINAGAR

- From 01-07-2025, 1700 hrs. to 02-07-2025, 1600 hrs., there was slow movement observed on NH-44 due to breakdown of 05 HMVs, single lane traffic at Nashri-Dalwas and between Marog & Kishtwari Pather.
- Commuters belonging to Reasi, Katra, Udhampur, Patnitop, Doda and Ramban town are requested to keep their photo ID card to prove their identification after cut off timing from Jammu/Udhampur so that their movement can be facilitated smoothly.
- Passengers/LMVs operators are advised to undertake journey on Jammu-Srinagar NHW during day time due to apprehension of shooting stones between Ramban and Banihal.
- Goods carrier (HMV/LMV) Operators carrying fresh perishable/live stock are advised to load their vehicle as per advisory issued by Traffic Police Headquarters time to time as there is single lane traffic and poor condition of road at Nashri-Dalwas and between Marog & Kishtwari Pather on Jammu Srinagar NHW.
- Fruit growers/ Load carrier (HMV/LMV) Operators carrying fresh perishable from Valley towards Jammu are advised to load and park their vehicle timely (every morning before 9.00 am at designated place between NAVYUG Tunnel and Levdoora) so that their movement can be facilitated smoothly.
- HMVs Operators/Owners are requested to desist from overloading and carry sufficient fuel during journey on Jammu-Srinagar NHW. It is further requested that vehicle owners must double check the fitness of their vehicles and carry sufficient fuel before undertaking journey on Jammu-Srinagar NHW.
- HMVs with only 06 and 10 tyres shall be allowed to ply through Dhar road.
- Commuters are advised to avoid unnecessary haltag between Ramban and Banihal especially near landslide/shooting stone area.

TRAFFIC PLAN & ADVISORY FOR 03-07-2025:-

Subject to fair weather and better road conditions SANJY convoy/LMVs Passenger/Private Cars shall be allowed from both sides on Jammu-Srinagar NHW (NH-44) viz from Jammu towards Srinagar and vice-versa. However, HMVs shall be allowed on alternate days. TCU Jammu/Srinagar shall liaise with TCU Ramban before releasing this traffic.

SHRI AMAR NATH JI YATRA 2025

Please refer to Yatra Advisory No. 01 dated 27-06-2025

CUT OFF TIMINGS FOR LMVs/PASSENGER/PRIVATE CARS:-

To be released from:-

- Nagrota (Jammu) towards Srinagar: from 0600 hrs. to 1200 hrs.
- Jakheni (Udhampur) towards Srinagar: from 0700 hrs to 1300 hrs &
- Qazigund towards Jammu: from 130 hrs to 1400 hrs.

TCU Jammu and TCU Srinagar will inform all concerned about the traffic advisory and cut off timings. No vehicle shall be allowed to move before and after cut off timings.

HMVs/Load Carriers:-

Subject to fair weather and better road conditions, HMVs shall be allowed from NAVYUG Tunnel (Qazigund side) towards Jammu after assessing the road and traffic situation on NH-44 and no HMV shall be allowed after 1900 hrs. TCU Srinagar shall liaise with TCU Ramban before releasing the HMVs.

Moreover, in view of ongoing Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra 2025, to provide hassle free movement of trucks carrying fresh/perishable goods on NH-44. UT administration has decided, all tankers of Petrol, Diesel, LPG bulk gas, all trucks carrying empty LPG cylinders; all empty vehicles of FC; any other vehicle loaded/empty upto 10-tyres shall use only Mughal Road while returning to Jammu, as per advisory issued by DIVCOM Kashmir vide No. Divcom/Dev/120/2025/7055-75 dated 01-07-2025

Kishtwar- Sinthan- Anantnag NH-244:-

Subject to fair weather and good road condition, after getting green signal from NHIDCL, LMVs/HPSVs shall be allowed from both sides viz from Anantnag towards Kishtwar and vice-versa on Kishtwar-Sinthan-Anantnag road. These vehicles shall be allowed from PP Parana towards Anantnag from 0800 hrs to 1600 hrs and from PP Daksum towards Kishtwar from 0900 hrs. to 1500 hrs. No HMV other than designated HPSVs shall be allowed as per order issued by SDM Chhatroo vide No. SDMC/2025-26/146-53 dated 16-05-2025 and SDM Kokernag vide No. SDM/KNG/665-71 dated 16-05-2025.

SSG ROAD

Subject to fair weather and good road condition, (after getting green signal from the BRO) traffic movement shall be allowed on regulated manner on Srinagar-Sonamarg-Gumari road. LMVs followed by HMVs shall be allowed from Minamarg towards Srinagar at 0500 hrs. to 1000 hrs. Similarly, LMVs followed by HMVs shall be allowed from Sonamarg towards Kargil at 1130 hrs to 1730 hrs. No vehicle shall be allowed after cut off timing.

SFs Convoy, plying from Srinagar to Kargil and vice versa shall plan their movement in such a manner so that Yatra convoys (both UP and DOWN) don't get disturbed.

Mughal Road:-

Subject to fair weather and good road condition, after getting green signal from Road maintenance agencies (GREF), LMVs Passenger/Private Cars shall be allowed from both sides on Mughal road viz from Jammu towards Srinagar and vice-versa via Poonch. However, HMVs (upto ten tyres only) shall be allowed from Shopian towards Poonch. These vehicles shall be allowed from Behramgala (Baffilaz) and Herpora (Shopian) at 0700 hrs. upto 1800 hrs, as per advisory issued by DIVCOM Kashmir vide No. Divcom/Dev/120/2025/7055-75 dated 01-07-2025.

ADVISORY :-

People are advised to undertake journey only after confirming status of the road from Traffic control units as under:-

- Jammu (0191-2459048, 0191-2740550, 9419147732, 103)
- Srinagar (0194-2450022, 2485396, 18001807091, 103)
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