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Pakistan, breeding ground for terrorism, exposed now Those peddling fake narrative on behalf of terrorists will be brought to justice: LG



LG Manoj Sinha interacting with terror victim families at Dardpora, Kupwara.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

Srinagar: The Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Wednesday visited Dardpora and met the families of civilian martyrs killed by Pakistan-backed terrorists. He also addressed terror victim families at Government Degree College Kupwara and assured the family members of proper rehabilitation and strictest punishment to the culprits.

The Lieutenant Governor said justice, respect and dignity to family members of civilian martyrs killed by Pakistan-backed terrorists is his top priority. He

said criminal justice system will ensure perpetrators and elements of terror ecosystem are punished, providing a sense of justice and closure for victim's family and the society.

"I have assured the family members that their decades-long trauma, torment and suffering is over. We will ensure all the support so that they can reclaim their lives," the Lieutenant Governor said.

He also observed that families of civilian martyrs have gone through deep trauma, suffered various challenges

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including unemployment and education and felt loss of hope in the past three decades.

"Families of civilians who were killed by Pakistan-backed terrorists also suffered systemic barriers which stifled their progress. They were denied their rights and access to resources. All obstacles are now removed and we are ensuring justice and dignity for terror victim families," the Lieutenant Governor said.

The Lieutenant Governor paid homage to the civilians who were mercilessly killed by Pakistan sponsored terrorists in Jammu Kashmir. The families of terror victims also narrated their ordeal.

"It is difficult to articulate the pain and suffering of terror victim families due to their profound emotional and psychological trauma and the administration will handle each case with full sensitivity and responsibility.

So far around 250 terror victim families provided with government jobs. This mission will continue till justice is done to every affected family. This is the beginning of a new era of justice in Jammu Kashmir," the Lieutenant Governor said. The Lieutenant Governor also spoke on the Memorandum

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Pooja holidays from Oct 19

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

Jammu: The Jammu and Kashmir government on Tuesday announced a five-day holiday from October 19 to 23 for all schools up to the higher secondary level in the Jammu division on account of the upcoming festivities.

The University of Jammu has also announced a three-day break and postponed all examinations scheduled for October 20, 22, and 23.

Personal Officer at the Directorate of School Education Jammu, Manisha, in an order, said, "It is hereby ordered that all government educational institutions and recognised private schools up to the higher secondary level in the Jammu division

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Reviews readiness of Integrated Mining Surveillance System CM calls for implementation of robust system in mining ops

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

Srinagar: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Wednesday chaired a comprehensive review meeting of the Mining Department at the Civil Secretariat here to assess the department's modernization initiatives, regulatory framework, and ongoing reforms in mineral management and surveillance.

The meeting was attended by Deputy Chief Minister Surinder Kumar Choudhary, Chief Secretary Atal Dulloo, Additional Chief Secretary to the Chief Minister Dheeraj Gupta, Additional Chief Secretary, Mining Department Anil Kumar, Director Geology & Mining,



Chief Minister Omar Abdullah chairing a meeting at Srinagar.

all Deputy Commissioners, Superintendents of Police, and other senior officers of the department.

During the meeting, the Additional Chief Secretary, Mining, gave a detailed presentation on the department's

performance, highlighting technological advancements, regulatory reforms, exploration projects, and financial outcomes achieved in recent years. A major highlight of the review was a

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Terror conspiracy case: Court rejects Ex-DySP Devinder Singh's bail plea

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

Jammu: The Special Judge for NIA J&K Sandeep Gandotra has dismissed the interim bail plea of former DySP Devinder Singh, who is facing trial in a high-profile terror conspiracy case.

Singh had sought a one-month interim bail to accompany his son for MBBS counselling and to arrange finances by selling ancestral property, besides visiting his ailing father. However, the court found no merit in his plea, observing that he had failed to produce any documents proving his son's NEET-UG and CUET-UT

qualifications, counselling details, or his father's medical records.

The National Investigation Agency (NIA), represented by Special Public Prosecutor Adv. K.S. Pathania, strongly opposed the bail plea, arguing that Singh, an influential ex-police officer, might misuse the liberty to tamper with evidence, intimidate witnesses, or evade trial. The court noted that key prosecution witnesses, including senior police officers, have already deposed, and the trial is progressing on priority.

Singh, along with three others, was arrested in

January 2020 from the Srinagar-Jammu Highway with a cache of arms and explosives. He is charged under IPC sections 120-B, 121, 121-A, 122, multiple provisions of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, the Arms Act, and the Explosive Substances Act for allegedly conspiring with Hizbul Mujahideen operatives to wage war against India. Dismissing the plea, the court said there was "no genuine ground" to grant interim bail at this stage, considering the seriousness of charges and the possibility of witness tampering.

Six nabbed for robbing construction site

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

Jammu: Six people were arrested for allegedly attacking guards and workers at a construction site in Samba and robbing types of building material, police on Wednesday said.

A complaint in the matter was filed on Monday by Sudhir, a representative of Shivalaya Construction Limited, they said.

According to the complaint, on the night of October 12-13, an around dozen-strong mob attacked the company's site in Sarore village along the Jammu-Pathankot National Highway.

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'Mahabharat' star Pankaj Dheer, Legendary dancer Madhumati passes away

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

Mumbai: Television star Pankaj Dheer, known for playing Karna in B R



Chopra's "Mahabharat" and king Shivdutt in the fantasy drama "Chandrakanta", died at the age of 68 following a battle with cancer on Wednesday.

"He passed away due to cancer this morning. He had been in and out of hospital in the past months," producer and friend Ashoke Pandit told PTT.

Dheer is survived by wife Anita Dheer and son Nikitin Dheer, who is also an actor. His last rites were conducted at the Pawan Hans crematorium in the evening. Salman Khan, Sidharth Malhotra, Arbaaz Khan, Puneet

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BJP fields Aga Syed for Budgam, Devyani for Nagrota 'Nagrota will always remain with BJP', Devyani Rana confident of clinching bypoll

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

Jammu: Soon after the BJP on Wednesday announced her candidature for the Nagrota Assembly bypoll in Jammu, Devyani Rana, daughter of party veteran late Devender Singh Rana, sounded confident that she would script victory by a big margin, as jubilant workers and supporters thronged her residence and danced to the beats of dhols.

The BJP on Wednesday announced its candidates for the upcoming bypolls in different states, fielding Devyani Rana and Aga Syed Mohsin from Nagrota and Budgam in Jammu and

Kashmir, respectively. The Nagrota seat fell



vacant after the demise of Devender Singh Rana last October, while the bypoll in

Budgam was necessitated after Chief Minister Omar Abdullah vacated the seat and retained Ganderbal.

"I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Home Minister Amit Shah, BJP president J P Nadda, Sati Sharma, Tarun Chugh, and Ashok Koul for considering me worthy of contesting from Nagrota," Devyani told reporters.

Her candidature was not just a ticket announcement but "a great opportunity to carry forward the visions and initiatives" launched by her late father, she said. "With the blessings of

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Police raid houses of 13 terror associates, OGWs

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

Srinagar: In its sustained efforts to dismantle the terror ecosystem and curb unlawful activities, Srinagar Police conducted extensive raids at multiple locations across the city. The searches were carried out at the residences of terrorist associates and overground workers (OGWs) affiliated with proscribed terrorist organizations, in connection with ongoing investigations under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA).

The coordinated search operations were conducted across various areas of Srinagar, targeting individu-

als involved in facilitating, aiding, or abetting terror-related activities.

Searches were carried out at the residences of the Asrar Ahmad Bala son of Rafi Bala resident of Omer Colony Lal Bazar, Shahbaz Ahmad Bhat son of Farooq Ahmad Bhat resident of Palpora Noorbagh, Fayaz Ahmad Ganie son of Guam Mohammad Ganie resident of Suthsu Kalan, Burhan Nazir son of Nazir Ahmad Kushoo resident of Beeroni Kathidarwaza, Sajid Majeed Shah son of Abdul Majeed Shah resident of Nowpora Sekidafar, Ashiq

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15-day event to enhance military-civil cooperation begins

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

Jammu: The Military Civil Fusion Capsule (MCFC) commenced on Wednesday with an inaugural session at the Tiger Division, Jammu where the General Officer Commanding, Tiger Division welcomed the gathering.

The capsule, scheduled from 15th to 29th October, underscores the critical role of synergy among the Armed Forces, Civil Administration and Security Agencies in ensuring stability and progress in the region.

The MCFC aims to deepen institutional collaboration, extending beyond

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WEATHER

Temperature (Jammu)
Max: 29.9°C Min: 19.1°C

Humidity
Max: 86 Min: 63

Temperature (Srinagar)
Max: 26.3°C Min: 8.3°C

Humidity
Max: 82 Min: 52

Sunset : 17:58 Hours
Sunrise : 06:34 Hours

888 DAYS

TERM DEPOSIT SCHEME

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SENIOR CITIZENS - 7.55%

OTHERS - 7.05%

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