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### LG calls for...

We must build a world rooted in wisdom and free from suffering. We must build an awakened and peaceful world in which people care for others and support the well-being of all. We must build a just world in which the humanity upholds the moral integrity for equality and fairness. We must build a world free of all discrimination and biases. We must build a world in which humanity lives in harmony with the nature. And, I strongly believe Buddha's teachings will provide the humanity a roadmap in this direction," the Lieutenant Governor said.

In his address at the Central Temple, the Lieutenant Governor states that the cultural and spiritual exchange between India and Russia remains one of the highest priorities.

"It is based on our shared belief in the enduring values of peace, spiritual ethos and compassionate living," the Lieutenant Governor said.

He also observed that in today's fast-paced world, Buddha's message is like a source of light for humanity.

"His teachings on compassion, non-violence and pure mind can bridge the divide and foster universal brotherhood. Spiritual salvation is the greatest treasure that is possible for human beings. This is what India, the land of Lord Buddha taught the world," the Lieutenant Governor said.

He called upon the seekers to follow the teachings of Buddha and search for truth without any desire.

"Lord Buddha taught us that spiritual experience cannot be a borrowed experience, but it has to be existential. Buddha taught us that life is all about search for truth without any desire. Be a Light unto Yourself- look within as the light and pure awareness is within you," the Lieutenant Governor said.

### India developing 200...

mainstay in the expansion of the share of nuclear power in India's energy mix. Currently, India operates two home-built nuclear submarines -- INS Arihant and INS Arighaat -- which are powered by 83 MW reactors. A third nuclear-powered submarine, INS Aridhaman, is undergoing trials.

The government has also announced that it would amend the Atomic Energy Act (AEA), 1962, to allow the entry of private players in the civil nuclear sector.

According to the plans, the government may allow private players to operate nuclear power plants and also handle the front-end of the nuclear fuel cycle.

As per the discussions on the amendments to the AEA, the government may also allow private companies to procure fuel from foreign countries for the nuclear power plants, with a provision to take back the spent fuel to the country of origin.

The amendments to the Civil Liability for Nuclear Damage Act (CLND) also seek to cap the liability of suppliers of nuclear equipment, as mentioned in the contract between the supplier and operator.

The amendments under discussion also seek to define 'supplier' as the provider of critical equipment.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has set a target of achieving 100 GW nuclear power capacity by 2047, from the current 8.8 GW.

### No one imagined RSS...

conveyed, as quoted by the Lucknow unit of the BJP. Singh urged public representatives and senior figures to empathise with the workers and support them during difficult times. He stated that it is also a divine duty to bring peace and joy to people's lives.

"When I hear of someone in grief or someone who has passed away, I make sure to express my condolences. All of you should do the same; be present in their homes and stand by them in their time of grief," he advised.

In a separate event, Singh addressed the foundation stone laying ceremony for the Late Gajendra Dutt Naithani Memorial Deenbandhu Eye Hospital in Lucknow.

"When I was 26 years old, I often visited the state office of the BJP. Even after becoming an MLA, I continued to frequent the state office. During that time, I received a great deal of affection from Naithani ji. He remained unmarried throughout his life and dedicated himself to nation-building," he said.

### Army Chief reviews...

Kumaon region, especially as a gateway to border areas with Nepal and China, he lauded the local communities and invoked the glorious legacy of the Kumaon Regiment.

He underscored that the Indian Army in Kumaon embodies "strength with compassion", defending frontiers while empowering border communities.

Gen Dwivedi reaffirmed the Indian Army's unwavering resolve to maintain operational excellence, enhance civil-military harmony and uphold the highest traditions of duty, honour and service to the nation, the Army said.

### Ladakh representatives to...

been spearheading the agitation in support of their demands and holding talks with the Centre.

The last round of talks between the two sides was held in May. "We were informed by the Home Ministry that a meeting of the sub-committee is scheduled for October 22, and both LAB and KDA are invited to it. We welcome the decision of the government of India to invite us and look forward to the positive outcome of the dialogue," Lakruk said.

Widespread violent protests occurred in Leh on September 24 during a shutdown called by LAB to advance talks with the Centre on their two main demands.

Four people were killed and scores of others were injured in the clashes between protesters and security personnel, while over 70 people were taken into custody for their alleged involvement in rioting.

Activist Sonam Wangchuk, the main face of the agitation, was also detained under the stringent NSA, which empowers the Centre and states to detain individuals to prevent them from acting in a manner "prejudicial to the defence of India".

The maximum detention period under the NSA is 12 months, though it can be revoked earlier.

The LAB has demanded the creation of a conducive atmosphere, including a judicial inquiry into the killing of the four persons, release of all detained persons and adequate compensation to the victims of violence.

The Centre on Friday announced a judicial inquiry headed by a retired Supreme Court judge into the clashes of September 24, meeting the key demand of the agitating groups.

Expressing confidence of a fruitful outcome in the fresh round of talks, Lakruk said the apex body chairman and former MP Thupstan Chewang will lead their delegation, while KDA will be led by co-chairmen Qamar Ali Akhoon and Asgar Ali Karbalai, along with prominent member Sajjad Kargali.

Lakruk said he, along with Anjuman Imamia president Ashraf Ali Barcha and LAB legal advisor, are also taking part in the talks besides the Ladakh MP.

The talks will pave the way for the next round of discussions with the high-powered committee headed by Minister of State for Home Nityanand Rai, he said.

### SC concerned over...

March 6, a total of 3,38,685 execution petitions have been decided and disposed of. The bench, in its October 16 order, said, "As observed in our main judgment, after the decree is passed, if it is going to take years and years to execute the decree, then it makes no sense and would be nothing short of travesty of justice".

The top court said it is once again requesting all the high courts to evolve some procedure and guide their respective district judiciary for effective and expeditious disposal of the execution petitions which are pending as on date.

The apex court, however, observed that "unfortunately, the Karnataka High Court has failed to furnish us with the necessary data in this regard."

"Asking the apex court registry to once again give a reminder to the Karnataka High Court to provide the data regarding the disposal of the execution petitions in the last six months and the pendency of it as on date.

"The Registrar General of the High Court of Karnataka owes an explanation why he has failed to provide us with the necessary information. Two weeks' time is granted to the registrar general of the high court to offer his explanation in this regard," it said.

Posting the matter for reporting further progress on April 10 next year, the court said that it wanted complete figures from all the high courts regarding the status of execution petitions the way they have forwarded.

"When this matter is notified once again on April 10, 2026, we want all the high courts on their original side also to furnish the necessary information as regards the pending execution petitions as well as disposal of the same," it said.

On March 6, the top court had noted that the execution petitions filed for execution of decrees in civil disputes were pending for three to four years.

"If the execution petitions remain pending for three-four years, it defeats the very purpose of the decree," Justice Pardiwala had said while writing the March 6 order.

The verdict came in a civil dispute over land arising in 1980 between two individuals from Tamil Nadu.

The top court had said that after collecting the data, the high courts should issue an administrative order or a circular to the respective district judiciary asking the execution petitions to be decided and disposed of within six months without fail.

"Otherwise the presiding officer concerned would be answerable to the high court on its administrative side," it had said, while pointing to the "long and inordinate" delay on the part of the executing courts in the country in deciding such petitions.

The civil dispute before the bench concerned a sale agreement of June 30, 1980, entered by Tamil Nadu resident Ayyavoo Udayar over a piece of land.

After the dispute arose over title of the land, Udayar filed a civil suit for specific performance against the defendants in 1986 with respect to an agreement to sell.

In 2004, the decree-holder filed a petition to direct the defendants to execute the sale deed and deliver the possession of the property. It was, however, dismissed.

This was challenged by way of a revision petition, which was allowed in 2006 but the sale deed was again not executed.

In 2008, an order of delivery of possession was passed but not executed.

The top court held that the high court "committed an egregious error" in passing the order.

### Railways launch special...

to passengers," he said. Meanwhile, Singhal said a comprehensive ticket checking campaign was launched on Saturday to crack down on ticketless passengers on trains and at railway stations.

In a single day, action was taken against 845 ticketless and irregular travellers, and fines of over Rs 5 lakh were collected, he said.

He said a total of 1,557 ticketless travellers were charged in three days, and a fine of Rs 11 lakh was collected from them.

### Two drug peddling...

arrested along with 275 grams of heroin and an electronic weighing machine. His questioning led to the arrest of Reena and recovery of 55 grams of heroin, weighing machine and Rs 33,490 from her house in Rajiv Nagar; he said, adding their three more women associates -- Sheetal, Payal and Kajal -- were also arrested and 13 grams of heroin, two weighing machines and Rs 3050 were seized from them.

In another drug bust, Singh said three drug peddlers -- Inderjeet and Vishal Kumar of Punjab and Jagdish Raj -- were arrested from Chak Talab area of R S Pura. 186 grams of heroin was seized from them.

### Six arrested in...

father Ranjeet Singh, his wife Amrit Kour, and daughter Kanwal Preet have also been arrested following a subsequent investigation.

Police said another case of a minor's gruesome murder was also cracked. On October 10, Mohd Zubair's body was recovered in the Sunjwan-Gaziabad area of Bathindi.

The boy's father, Abdul Gafoor, suspected the involvement of Mansoor Alam, a Myanmar national, who had previously issued threats after a marriage proposal by the latter for Gafoor's daughter was rejected, the SSP said.

The accused was arrested and confessed to the crime during sustained questioning, Singh said.

### Fully prepared for...

any unclaimed object in the markets. "As far as the threat is concerned, you all know that we have been fighting terrorism for the past 30 to 35 years. The enemy (Pakistan) was defeated in five wars in the past but is still continuing its efforts to foment trouble by pushing terrorists and drugs and the situation demands us to stay alert to counter any conspiracy," he told reporters here.

The SSP said they have taken all necessary measures for the peaceful celebration of Diwali festival and also the smooth reopening of government offices in Jammu under the Darbar Move -- a practice which was reintroduced by the J-K government after four years -- next month.

On October 16, Jammu and Kashmir government issued orders for the closure of the Darbar Move offices in the summer capital Srinagar on October 31, hours after Chief Minister Omar Abdullah announced restoration of the age-old tradition introduced by Dogra rulers in 1872 - a decision which was warmly welcomed by people, especially traders in Jammu who termed the decision as a gift before Diwali festival.

Lt Governor Manoj Sinha-led administration had scrapped the Darbar Move tradition in 2021.

"Normally, we witness heavy rush of people in Jammu during winters and with the government decision to revive Darbar Move, more people (from Kashmir) are expected to come this season... There is a provision of tenant verification which is very important. I request those lending their properties on rent to anyone including migrant workers to fill up those forms," the SSP said. He said there is heavy rush of people in the markets in connection with the Diwali festival and the police had already taken precautionary measures for security and peace.

"Some people leave their belongings in the market and go away. We have to remain cautious and immediately report the presence of any unclaimed object to police," he said.

The SSP said it is true that peace and tranquillity has been maintained here for the past many years but the enemy is trying to disturb the peaceful atmosphere.

"There is nothing to be afraid of. All the forces that are here, whether it is the Army and BSF guarding the borders, or the police or paramilitary forces, they are all doing their job with great determination. They are trying to prevent any incidents here. But at the same time," he said.

He said the security forces cannot achieve success without the support of the people and they need to come forward and raise the morale of the personnel in the field.

### NC fields Agha...

candidate for the upcoming Budgam Assembly election. The party extends best wishes to him for a successful campaign in service of the people of Budgam," the National Conference posted on its X handle.

The PDP on Sunday said its candidate Mehdi will file his nomination papers on Monday. In a post on X, the opposition party said, "PDP's Aga Syed Muntazir Mehdi sb will file his nomination papers for the Budgam Assembly by-election tomorrow at 12 PM."

The other two candidates are also scheduled to file their nomination papers on Monday. Budgam assembly seat fell vacant due to resignation by Chief Minister Omar Abdullah as he decided to retain Ganderbal after successfully contesting from both seats.

Nagrota assembly segment will also go to polls on November 11. The seat fell vacant due to the death of BJP MLA Devinder Singh Rana after elections last year.

### Pony operator booked for running unauthorised services on Vaishno Devi track

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KATRA: A pony operator was booked for operating without a valid license along the track leading to Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine atop Trikuta hills in Reasi district of Jammu and Kashmir on Sunday, police said.

During routine patrolling, a police party noticed a man working as a pony carrier near Banganga and stopped him for checking, a police spokesperson said.

He said the individual disclosed his identity as Billu Ram, a resident of Panjar-Panchari in Udhampur.

When asked to produce a valid license or authorisation for operating as a pony carrier, he failed to provide any such document, the spokesperson said, adding that he admitted that he did not possess an authorised or registered pony service card and was operating illegally, assuming he would not be questioned.

By working as a pony operator without proper authorization or registration on the track, the individual has violated the government notification governing registered service providers, he said.

Accordingly, a case under relevant sections of law has been registered at Police Station Katra and further investigation is underway, the spokesman said.

### 2 drug peddlers arrested

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BARAMULLA/KULGAM: Continuing its war against drug dealings, Police have arrested two drug peddlers and recovered contraband substances from their possession.

A police party at a checkpoint established at Shajimarg-Qazipora Road near Biseeo School arrested a drug peddler identified as Bilal Ahmad Bhat son of Gh Nabi Bhat resident of Gutlipora Tangmarg. During search, 20 grams of Charas-like substance was recovered from their possession. Accordingly, a case vide FIR No. 76/2025 under relevant sections of law has been registered at Police Station Tangmarg and investigation has been initiated.

Meanwhile in Kulgam, a police party led by IC PP Mirbazar during naka checking at Furrah Bypass Mirbazar, intercepted a suspicious person identified as Nadeem Manzoor Naikoo son of Manzoor Ahmad Naikoo resident of Pati Akhran, Nowpora carrying a bag. During search, Poppy Straw weighing 2.050 kgs like substance was recovered from his possession.

### Five long term absconders nabbed

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BARAMULLA/AWANTIPORA: In a significant breakthrough, Police have apprehended 05 long term absconders in Baramulla and Awantipora.

In Baramulla, accused Noor Mohammad Gojri son of Abdul Rahman Gojri resident of Kunzer, was wanted in FIR No. 107/2003 U/S 366, 376 RPC of Police Station Kunzer. He had been absconding since 2008. Acting on credible intelligence, a dedicated police team from Police Station Kunzer traced and arrested the accused from Beerwah, Budgam during a late-night operation. The accused has been taken into custody, and further legal proceedings have been set in motion.

Meanwhile, Police in Awantipora received non-bailable warrants under section 299 CrPC/ 335 Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita issued by the Hon'ble Principal Session Court Pulwama against four absconders namely Yawar Manzoor Sofi son of Manzoor Ahmad Sofi resident of Namblabal Pampore, Muzamil Rasool Wagay son of Ghulam Rasool Wagay resident of Namblabal Pampore, Farooq Ahmad Mir son of Ghulam Nabi Mir resident of Drangbal Pampore and Mohammad Shafi Wani son of Ali Mohammad Wani resident of Kadlabal Pampore. The absconders were involved in different cases registered at Police Station Pampore.

Accordingly, a special team headed by SHO PS Pampore under the supervision of SDPO Pampore was constituted and the accused persons were arrested from different areas. Subsequently, the arrested accused were produced before the Court of Law.

### 8 vehicles including 7 dumpers seized for illegal mining

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SAMBA: Continuing its drive against illegal mining, Samba Police has seized eight vehicles including 07 dumpers in the jurisdiction of Police Stations Samba and Ghagwal which were being used for illegal transportation/mining of the construction material. Police teams headed by SHO PS Samba, SHO PS Ghagwal and Incharges of Police Posts Supwal, Rakh Amb Talli & Mansar of PS Samba while performing patrolling duty in their jurisdictional areas, have seized seven dumpers bearing registration Nos.JK 21E-8891, JK08P-1273, JK02BE-5477, JK19-8556, JK21G-9245, JK19-5135, JK08P-8799 and a tractor trolley without registration No. which were being used for illegal transportation/mining of the construction material in the area.

The above mentioned vehicles have been seized by Samba Police and handed over to the Geology & Mining Department, Samba for further legal action.

### SPO crushed to death by truck

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SAMBA/JAMMU: A special police officer (SPO) was crushed to death by a speeding truck along the Jammu-Pathankot highway in Samba district, the police said on Sunday. SPO Rahul Singh was on duty at a checkpoint in the Vijaypur area when he was hit around Saturday midnight. He died on the spot, they said.

The truck was seized and its driver and his helper were arrested, the police said. A case has been registered in the matter.

## Adv. Neha Mahajan graces 'Deepotsav 2025' celebration at Hermann Gmeiner School

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The campus of Hermann Gmeiner School, Jammu was filled with festive joy and cultural vibrancy as the school organized "Deepotsav 2025 - Diwali & Dandiya Celebration" with great enthusiasm. The event beautifully reflected the essence of Diwali - spreading light, happiness, and togetherness among all.

The celebration began with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp by Advocate Neha Mahajan, President BJP Mahila Morcha J&KUT, who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest, along with Mr. Mudassar, SDPO Domana, Principal Shakum Choudhary, and senior staff members

including Raina Sir. This auspicious beginning symbolized the victory of light over darkness and wisdom over ignorance.

Adv. Neha Mahajan appreciated the efforts of the school management for organizing such a meaningful and well-coordinated celebration that promotes Indian culture, values, and traditions among students. She said that festivals like Deepotsav strengthen our cultural roots, nurture young minds with positivity and respect for traditions, and promote the spirit of unity in society - in line with the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji's 'Viksit Bharat'.

The vibrant celebration featured Ramleela, Dandiya Dance, Live DJ & Entertainment with RJ Tani, Games, Fun Stalls, and Delicious Food Counters, making it a delightful day for everyone.

Principal Shakum Choudhary extended a warm welcome to all dignitaries and expressed heartfelt gratitude to Adv. Neha Mahajan and her team for gracing the occasion as Chief Guest. She remarked, "Deepotsav is not just a festival of lights, but a celebration of knowledge, compassion, and unity. We are proud of our students who displayed immense talent and enthusiasm."

The event not only showcased

the festive grandeur of Diwali but also reflected the school's commitment towards holistic education by encouraging students to celebrate culture along with learning. It served as a reminder of India's rich heritage where tradition and modernity blend to create harmony and national pride.

Prominent Mahila Morcha members present on the occasion included Prerna Nanda, Poonam Gupta, Santosh Sharma, Suman Raina, Chakshu Kapoor, Neeru Anand, and Anita Gandotra, who actively participated in the celebrations, interacted with students and parents, and appreciated the creativity showcased across the stalls.

## Navya Srijan Sewa Sansthan honored for exemplary flood relief efforts guided by Seva Dharma

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Navya Srijan Sewa Sansthan was honored by the All India Payam-e-Insaniyat Forum for its outstanding service and humanitarian efforts during the recent flood relief and rehabilitation operations in Jammu and Kashmir. The recognition ceremony took place at the Gujjar Charitable Trust, where the Sansthan was applauded for its unwavering dedication and compassion in supporting disaster-affected families.

The honor highlights the Sansthan's guiding philosophy rooted in Seva Dharma (service to humanity) and

Rashtra Prem (love for the nation)-values deeply embedded in its ethos and reflective of its broader commitment to national service. Over the past two months, the organization's teams worked tirelessly across flood-hit areas, ensuring timely aid and support to those most in need.

A representative of the Sansthan received the award on behalf of the organization and expressed gratitude for the acknowledgment. The representative said, "Our service is a fulfillment of our duty to the nation and its people. Inspired by the principles of selfless service, we mobilize

quickly to support our brothers and sisters in distress. This recognition validates the dedication we draw from the highest ideals of our movement."

As part of its extensive relief drive, the Navya Srijan Sewa Sansthan successfully distributed free dry ration kits, mattresses, and lights to over 400 affected families, ensuring that no one was left without assistance. The organization's efforts provided both material and moral support, helping communities recover from the devastating impact of the floods.

Beyond relief operations, the Sansthan continues to

serve the Jammu region through a range of welfare programs carried out year-round. Its ongoing initiatives emphasize education, health, and community upliftment-reflecting a sustained commitment to social welfare and national harmony. The recognition by the All India Payam-e-Insaniyat Forum reaffirms Navya Srijan Sewa Sansthan's standing as a trusted pillar of compassion and service in the region. Guided by the timeless principles of Seva and Rashtra Prem, the organization remains steadfast in its mission to foster resilience, unity, and hope among the people it serves.