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India fully capable...

their participation in self-reliant India by adopting new farming techniques and new crops (cultivation), according to the needs of the country.

"Our cooperative institutions should also strengthen small farmers of the country. The more we focus on our small farmers, the more we come forward for their betterment. We will be able to create a new trust even in remote villages and we will have to do this," he said.

Modi also said everybody will have to contribute to enrich the spirit of 'One India', and "only when we remain united will we be able to move forward, and only then will the country achieve its goals."

The form of today's India, as per Sardar Patel's idea, should be one where women have equal opportunity, where the Dalits, deprived sections, tribals and forest dwellers, every citizen of the country feels equal.

He said the country is today working in the direction of achieving the same kind of India, where there is no discrimination in facilities like house, electricity, water, and setting new goals regularly.

"If the dynamism of the society is added to the government, it is not difficult to achieve the biggest of resolutions, everything is possible," he said.

These things may seem ordinary, but their results will be unprecedented. Over the years, we have seen how people's participation has strengthened the country even in small matters like cleanliness, he said.

"As a citizen, when we moved ahead as one India, we also got success and we also contributed to the excellence of India. You always remember- even the smallest work is great if there is a good spirit behind it. The joy that is there in serving the country cannot be described in words," he said.

"For the integrity and unity of the country, while fulfilling our civic duties, our every effort is a true tribute to Sardar Patelji. Taking inspiration from our accomplishments, let us move forward, give new heights to the unity and excellence of the country," he added.

Petrol, diesel prices...

to Gangtok in Sikkim.

Prices differ from state to state, depending on the incidence of local taxes and cost of transportation.

The twin factors led to petrol price crossing Rs 120 a litre mark in places such as Panna, Satna, Rewa, Shahdol, Chhindwara and Balaghat in Madhya Pradesh.

The same level has also been crossed in two border towns of Rajasthan - Ganganagar and Hanumangarh.

Ganganagar has the costliest fuel in the country with petrol costing Rs 121.52 a litre and diesel coming for Rs 112.44 per litre.

Petrol price has been hiked on 25 occasions since September 28, when a three-week-long hiatus in rate revision ended. In all, prices have gone up by Rs 8.15 a litre.

Diesel rates have been increased by Rs 9.45 per litre in 28 hikes since September 24.

Prior to that, the petrol price was increased by Rs 11.44 a litre between May 4 and July 17. The diesel rate had gone up by Rs 9.14 per litre during this period.

J&K logs 95...

COVID-19 in Ladakh, taking the overall virus tally in the Union Territory to 20,951 and the active cases to 65, officials said on Sunday.

Ladakh has registered 208 Covid-related deaths -- 150 in Leh and 58 in Kargil - since the outbreak of the pandemic last year.

The officials said 1,619 people were tested for COVID-19 in the twin districts on Saturday and 10 of them returned positive for the disease. They included nine in Leh and one in Kargil.

Three coronavirus infected patients were discharged from a hospital in Leh, taking the number of recoveries in Ladakh to 20,678, they said, adding after the fresh recoveries, the number of active cases stands at 65 with 60 in Leh and five in Kargil.

The officials said no COVID-related death was reported in Ladakh on Saturday.

Centre to attempt...

judicial service to recruit officers for subordinate courts through an entrance test.

The provision of an all-India judicial service on the lines of the Indian Administrative Service and the Indian Police Service was mooted soon after Independence.

The provision of AIJS was included in Article 312 of the Constitution through the 42nd amendment in 1976. But it would still require a bill to decide on its broad contours.

At present, various high courts and state service commissions hold exams to recruit judicial officers.

The Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) could hold a standardised entrance test to recruit judges for lower courts.

Since cases in lower courts are argued in local languages, there have been apprehensions about how a person from north India can hold hearings in a southern state.

But the government is of the view that even IAS and IPS officers have served in different states overcoming the language barrier.

The government believes that if such a service comes up, it would help create a pool of talented people who could later become a part of the higher judiciary -- the 25 high courts and the Supreme Court.

Territorial ambitions of...

violent clash in the Pangong lake areas of eastern Ladakh and both sides gradually enhanced their deployment by rushing in tens of thousands of soldiers as well as heavy weaponry.

As a result of a series of military and diplomatic talks, India and China completed the disengagement process in the Gogra area in August and in the north and south banks of the Pangong lake in February.

Each side currently has around 50,000 to 60,000 troops along the LAC in the sensitive sector: Rawat, in his speech, also recalled the role of the Indian armed forces in controlling the post-partition violence in India.

"No one had fathomed that the scale of mayhem due to the communal frenzy that was unleashed due to the partition of our nation.

"Large scale violence between people who once lived as one community resulted in the loss of thousands of innocent lives in 1947," he said. The police force was limited in numbers, not fully trained or equipped, and was suffering from the trauma of communal fighting, he mentioned. "The communal frenzy of that time was beyond the control of the police. The armed forces were then called in to control the furious rioting and enforce civil order," he added.

Search for terrorists...

subsequently extended to Mendhar to neutralize the fleeing terrorists.

A Pakistani terrorist, who was moved from the Kot Bhalwal Central Jail in Jammu to Mendhar on police remand for questioning in connection with the ongoing operation, was killed when the security forces accompanying him to identify a hideout came under fire from hiding terrorists on October 24.

The contact with the hiding terrorists was only established twice on October 11 at Surankote and Thanamandi and again at Bhatti Durrian on October 14, the officials said. After the firing on October 24 in Bhatti Durrian which left the Pakistani terrorist killed, there was no contact with the hiding terrorists.

A major part of the forest belt was cleared to allow the authorities to reopen the highway and villagers to resume normal activities, the officials said.

They said there was no breakthrough against the holed up terrorists who are avoiding direct contact with the search parties and are on the run taking advantage of thick foliage, natural caves and difficult terrain.

The operation is now going on deep inside the forest with a number of natural caves. The search parties are clearing the caves and moving cautiously to neutralize the suspected terrorists, an official said.

Over a dozen persons, including two women, were detained so far for questioning after it came to light that they allegedly provided logistic support, including food and shelter, to the terrorists, the officials said.

Rajouri and Poonch in Jammu region have witnessed a rise in infiltration attempts

cine to 1,482 persons at dedicated Vaccination Centres in the district.

Man crushed under train

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

BUDGAM: A 50-year-old man was crushed to death by a moving train in Manchowa Insha area of Budgam district.

As per details, Yaseen Ahmad Wani, resident of Baghi Mehtab, Srinagar was busy with his mobile, when a moving train bearing number 04614 on way from Budgam to Srinagar, hit and crushed him to death. The mortal remains of deceased were later on handed-over to family for performing last rites.

Three killed in mishaps

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Three persons were killed in separate mishaps on Sunday.

As per details, Akil Ahmed, resident of Baramulla got injured after the car, he was driving, turned turtle at Ramsoo area as he lost control over it. He was shifted to hospital in injured state, where he succumbed.

Meanwhile, a pedestrian got hit by a scooty in Channi Himmat area, due to which he got injured and was shifted to hospital where doctors declared him as brought dead. The deceased was identified as 41 years old Kalu, son of Channu Ram, resident of Uttar Pradesh, presently staying in Channi area.

In another mishap, a car, which was on its way to Srinagar, fell into a gorge in Banihal area due to which driver Rajesh Kumar, son of Dwarka Nath, resident of Udhampur died on the spot.

Two injured in clash over land dispute

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

SAMBA: Two persons got injured in clash over a land dispute in Rajpura area on Sunday.

As per details, Jiski Ram, son of Beli Ram, resident of Karwal Malani who was given a piece of land by villagers, sold the land to a member of Gujjar community for Rs 3 lakh. After knowing fact, the villagers went to the land to set it free from Gujjar community. In the clash, two persons got injured and were shifted to hospital, who were identified as Ramji Dass, son of Jagat Ram and Pritam Chander, son of Krishan Chander.

Man's body found from canal

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: A body of a man was found from a canal in Muthi area on Sunday.

As per details, locals on seeing a body in canal informed the police which rushed to the spot and shifted it to morgue. The deceased has been identified as Sunil Pandit, son of Prem Nath, resident of Muthi Camp. Police has registered a case for investigation.

Cop found dead under mysterious circumstances

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

POONCH: A cop was found dead under mysterious circumstances in Poonch on Sunday. As per details, Changez Shan, resident of Sangote who was working in police department was found dead in a Nallah in Gursai area. The body was shifted to morgue. Police has registered a case and started investigation.

Two commit suicide

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Two persons committed suicide in their respective houses here on Sunday.

As per details, Hardeh Nath, son of Gopi Nath, resident of Janipur committed suicide on October 20 by slitting his throat. He was shifted to hospital where he was under treatment but he failed to recover and succumbed.

Meanwhile, Aman, son of Garu Ram, resident of Badyal Kajayan, R S Pura consumed some poisonous substance in his house and was shifted to hospital by his family members, where doctors declared him as brought dead.

'PIA' marked aeroplane balloon recovered in Samba

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

SAMBA: A dummy aeroplane shaped balloon with 'PIA' written on it was recovered by Police in Rakh Abtal village of Ramgarh sector in Samba district, officials said.

As per details, aircraft-shaped balloon was found in an agricultural field by locals who informed police, following which a team reached to the spot and seized the balloon.

Photojournalist assaulted by Kashmir University guard

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

SRINAGAR: Police on Sunday registered a case after a photojournalist alleged that he was assaulted by watch & ward staff of Kashmir University.

"Nigeen Police Station registered an FIR on basis of a complaint from Obaid Dar (Mukhtar) wherein he alleged that he was manhandled by watch & ward staff of Kashmir University," Srinagar Police posted on its Twitter handle. The case was registered after the photojournalist lodged a complaint alleging that he was beaten by a security guard with some sharp edged-weapon.

"I was stopped and assaulted by a security guard with some sharp iron weapon

since June this year, resulting in the killing of nine terrorists in separate encounters.

Two former NC...

had quit his party on October 10 and both of them joined the BJP in Delhi next day. Majority of those who joined the BJP, including both the former legislators



Senior BJP leaders along with new entrants of party in Jammu.

Prem Sagar Aziz and Kamal Arora, are considered close to Rana.

Aziz, former Deputy Mayor Dharamvir Singh Janwal, Provincial Secretary Choudhary Arshid, Samba District President Mohinder Gupta, Corporator Ashok Manhas and senior workers Som Nath Khajura and Sardar Suecha Singh recently resigned from the National Conference in Rana's support.

Arora, who had won assembly elections on the National Conference ticket in the 2014 polls, had joined Apni Party in March last year. He along with district president of Apni Party Rinku Bhardwaj joined the BJP.

Accompanied by their supporters wearing different types of turbans representing different cultures, including the Dogras, Sikhs, Gujjars and Bakarwals, the leaders were welcomed by massive sloganeering at the BJP party headquarters where the joining function was organised.

"The new entrants - whether from the National Conference, Congress or the PDP - are welcome with open heart and they will be given due respect and rightful position without any discrimination the injustice which was going on for decades ended when the prime minister abrogated the discriminatory Article 370 in August 2019 and bestowed Jammu and Kashmir with real freedom," Chugh said.

He said the gates of BJP are open for all those who want to serve the people and strive hard to strengthen the nationalist forces and the country.

The J&K BJP chief, in his address, said his party is growing bigger with each passing day as people from all walks of life repose faith in Prime Minister Narendra Modi's slogan of 'sabka saath, sabka vikas aur sabka vishwas'.

"The BJP is going to form the next government after the assembly elections on its own and the chief minister will be from our party," he said, expressing satisfaction over the joining of prominent leaders from different parties.

Former legislator Rana said, "We are all making efforts to strengthen J&K so that we all be part of India's development and progress under the leadership of the prime minister." "We are making attempts to strengthen Jammu, J&K and India. Our endeavour is that a common voice from Hindus, Muslims, Sikhs and Christians emerge from Jammu which will work to strengthen the whole Jammu and Kashmir and we all can be part of the development phase initiated by the prime minister in the country," he said. Reacting to the letter of the PDP president seeking the prime minister's intervention to save the future of some Kashmiri students who were arrested for allegedly celebrating Pakistan's victory over India in a cricket match, Rana said no anti-national activities will be tolerated.

"Anti-national activities cannot be tolerated by any country and so why India should tolerate such an act? If you are Indian, you have to respect and honour the country," he said, adding that "India is a strong democracy but that does not mean we will tolerate anti-national activities".

He said nobody should support anti-national elements.

resulting in an injury and damage to sight of my left eye while covering some pictures for work going on inside premises of Kashmir University, Dargah Hazratbal," Mukhtar stated in his complaint.

29 bovines rescued, smuggler arrested

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU/SAMBA: Police on Sunday foiled two bovine smuggling bids by rescuing 29 bovines and arrested a smuggler.

As per details, Police during Naka checking at Bravo-3 point rescued 13 bovine animals and seized a vehicle (JK02AG-8497). FIR No. 89/21 under sections 188 of IPC, 11 of PC Act was registered at Police Station Bagh-e-Bahu. The recovery has been made by Incharge SHO Bagh e Bahu Insp Zaheer Manhas under the supervision of SDPO City East Sajad Sarwar.

Meanwhile, a party from Police Station Ghagwal, while performing vehicle checking duty at Naka NH Tapyal, Ghagwal signaled a truck (JK02AR/9839) to stop.

On seeing Naka party, the driver tried to flee from the spot by accelerating speed of vehicle, but he was chased and apprehended along with truck after a few metres away from Naka point. During checking of vehicle, 16 bovines were found laden inside it without any permission. The accused driver, identified as Amarjit Singh, son of Bachan Singh, resident of Chatha Tehsil & District Jammu was arrested on spot and FIR No. 184/2021 under section 188 of IPC, 11 of PCA Act was registered at Police Station Ghagwal and investigation started.

Six vehicles involved in illegal mining seized

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Continuing its drive against the menace of illegal mining, a multi-pronged strategy was devised by Jammu Police in which police team of Police Stations Jhajjar Kotli, Janipur, Police Posts Pounichak & Chinore acted stringently on the specific inputs and raided at different locations in their respective areas and seized six different vehicles involved in illegal mining.

The vehicles seized include 2 vehicles i.e 2 tractor trollies (JK02AG/1872 and JK02CS/8652) seized by Jhajjar Kotli police; one vehicle i.e 1 tractor trolley (JK02T 7128) by Janipur Police; two vehicles i.e 2 tippers without registration number by Chinore police and one vehicle without Registration number by Pounichak police.

The vehicles were seized by SHO Jhajjar Kotli Inspr Devinder Singh, SHO Janipur Inspr Nayat Ali, In-Charge Police Post Pounichak PSI Nitish Khajuria and In-Charge Police Post Chinore PSI Avtar Krishan in their respective jurisdictions and vehicles were seized.

Thief arrested, stolen car recovered

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

UDHAMPUR: Police on Sunday solved a theft case by arresting a thief along with



stolen car.

As per details, based on the written report lodged by a person namely Bansi Lal, son of Hans Raj, resident of Phalata, Udhampur that some unknown miscreants have stolen his car (JK14 5209) from outside his house, FIR No. 236/21 under section 379 was registered at Police Station Udhampur and investigation started. A special team of Police Station Rehambal led by Insp Nishant Gupta SHO Rehambal under supervision of Anwaar-Ul-Haq Addl. SP Udhampur and Sahil Mahajan DySP Hqrs Udhampur conducted raids at several suspected locations for search of thieves as well as stolen vehicle. During the course of investigation, Udhampur Police zeroed-in some suspects persons and during the sustained interrogation, one of them broke down and confessed his involvement in offence. On his disclosure, police recovered the stolen vehicle from Chopra Shop Udhampur along with other stolen property like battery, spare parts of engine etc which was also stolen by the accused from different areas.



Woman among 3 held with drugs

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Police arrested three people, including a woman, from Jammu and Udhampur districts on Sunday and recovered narcotic substance from their possession.



As per details, a party from Police Station Udhampur led by Insp Chaman Gorka SHO Udhampur under the supervision of Anwar-ul-Haq Addl SP Udhampur, Sahil Mahajan DySP Hqrs Udhampur laid a Naka at Jakheni Naka-point for checking of vehicles. During checking, police stopped a vehicle (JK21F 6705) and during

checking recovered 55 gm Heroin (Chitta) from possession of two accused namely Qadar Khan, son of Ahmed Dulla, resident of Majalata and Sushil Sharma, son of Paras Ram, resident of Kaghote, Ramanagar who were arrested on the spot. FIR No. 412/2021 under sections 8/21/22 of NDPS Act was registered against the duo at Police Station Udhampur.

Meanwhile, during routine patrolling, a party from Police Party Narwal signaled a woman to stop near Rajeev Nagar Chowk Narwal, who was moving suspiciously with white-coloured plastic bags in her hand. Instead of stopping, she tried to run away from spot but was chased away by alert cops and apprehended. During search, 2 Kg 300 gram Ganja and 6.50 gm heroin was recovered from her possession.

On questioning, she disclosed her identity as Shakeela Devi, wife of Late Ashok Kumar, resident of Rajeev Nagar, Narwal. She was arrested and FIR No. 353/21 under sections 8/20/21/22 of NDPS Act was registered against her at Police Station Trikuta Nagar. Police team led by Insp Deepak Pathania SHO Trikuta Nagar and assisted by SI Achal Rana made arrest/recovery under the supervision of Sajjad Sarwar SDPO City East, Deepak Digra SP South Jammu and overall supervision of Chandan Kohli, SSP Jammu.

Enforcement teams recover Rs 13,500 fine from SoPs violators

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

RAMBAN: Continuing enforcement drive to implement COVID protocol across the district Ramban, the Enforcement teams on Sunday fined scores of violators for roaming without wearing face masks and not maintaining physical distance. The enforcement teams, during the inspection in their respective jurisdictions, recovered a fine of Rs 13,500 Taking the total amount fined since April 1, 2021 to Rs. 61,77,250.

The Enforcement officers urged people to wear face masks and maintain physical distance besides taking COVID vaccination doses at their nearest CVC.

District Immunization Officer, Ramban, Dr Suresh informed that as many as 1,482 persons were administered first and second COVID vaccine doses across Ramban district. As per daily bulletin issued by the Chief Medical Officer, Ramban, Dr Mohammad Fareed Bhat, the Health Department has collected 1,090 samples including 270 RT-PCR and 820 RAT samples besides administering COVID vac-

