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JAMMU: In a major initiative to further public participation in the overall development process in the UT, the J&K government on Saturday launched the 'Janta Ki Scheme-Janta ki Bhagidari' campaign. The initiative aims to strengthen the Jan Bhagidari and make it integral part of transparent and accountable governance.

The idea is to make the entire Project Planning and Implementation process open to the general public who will be ultimate beneficiaries of



Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha said that the UT administration is taking all the necessary steps to make the entire governance structure transparent and accessible to public.

"Every citizen can now access details about the type and extent of work under execution in their area or any part of the Union Territory at the click of a button. Public has a right to know how much money is being spent on the development works in their area and whether the project is

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the projects. Good governance requires that enough information is provided to the public so they could see the decisions are taken in the manner following rules and regulations.

Newly appointed HM 'Distt Commander' killed in Kulgam encounter

Sleeper cell module busted in Pulwama, 5 active LeT terrorist associates arrested

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SRINAGAR: Newly appointed District Commander of proscribed terror outfit HM Mudasar Wagay was killed in an encounter with security forces in Kulgam district on Saturday while a sleeper cell module in Pulwama was busted and five active terrorist associates of proscribed terror outfit of LeT arrested, police said.

Security forces launched a cordon and search operation in the Ashmuji area of the

south Kashmir district following information about the presence of terrorists there, a police official said.

During the operation, the hiding terrorists fired at the forces, leading to a gunfight, he said, adding one ultra was killed.

Acting on specific input regarding presence of terrorists in Ashmuji area of district Kulgam, a joint cordon and search operation was launched by Police, 9RR

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187 new COVID cases reported in J&K, 28 in Ladakh

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SRINAGAR: While 187 new Covid cases were recorded on Saturday in Jammu and Kashmir, the Union Territory of Ladakh logged 28 positive cases.

Officials said 24 cases were reported from Jammu division and 163 from Kashmir division, thus taking the total number of positive cases in Jammu and Kashmir to 335203. Also, 02 COVID deaths have been reported from

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India will give fitting reply if any country tries to occupy its land: Rajnath

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PITHORAGARH: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Saturday said India wants good relations with its neighbours but warned that it will give a fitting reply to any country that attempts to occupy even an inch of its land.

Singh, a senior B-JP leader, was in

poll-bound Uttarakhand to launch the second leg of the 'Shaheed Samman Yatra' from Jhaukhet Moonakot in Pithoragarh district.

"We want good ties with our neighbours. India has never attacked any country. Neither has it ever occupied a foreign territory. Having good ties with neighbours has been India's cul-

ture but some people don't understand this. I don't know whether it is their habit or temperament," he said.

Naming Pakistan, Singh said it keeps trying to destabilise India through terrorist activities and a stern message has already been given to it.

"We have given a clear message to

our neighbour on the western border that if it cross its limits, we will just not retaliate on the borders but can even cross over into its territory and do surgical and airstrikes," he said.

"We have one more neighbour (which does not seem to understand things)," the defence minister said without

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