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Army foils infiltration...

said. The body of the terrorist along with weapons and ammunition has been recovered, the spokesperson said. An operation is in progress, he said.

Rawat, top commanders...

Air Force deposed before the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Defence at the Parliament Complex.

The agenda of the meeting was briefing by the representatives of the Ministry of Defence on 'review of strategic operational preparedness of defence forces in view of current security scenarios including border security'.

Oram said Rawat made a very good presentation on the subject before the panel. Sources said commanders of all three armed forces made presentations on the operational preparedness of their respected forces. They updated MPs about the recent procurement and additions in their arsenal.

CDS Rawat gave the overall presentation on the preparedness of all three forces and various initiatives taken for development of infrastructure in the border areas, they said. Around 11 members of the 31-member committee were present in the meeting on Friday. Congress leader Rahul Gandhi was among the absentees.

India's growth story...

the two complement each other even while being different.

He said "Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas" is a powerful manifestation of the Constitution's spirit.

Modi said a government dedicated to the Constitution does not discriminate when it comes to development and "we have shown that".

At a Constitution Day event in Parliament, the Prime Minister said that dynastic parties are a matter of concern to people committed to the Constitution and are against the spirit of democracy.

"Dynastic parties are a matter of concern to people committed to the Constitution. Look at dynastic political parties from Kashmir to Kanyakumari, this is against the democratic spirit," Modi said.

"If a party is run for generations by a family and the entire party system is with a family then that is the biggest problem for a healthy democracy," he said in an apparent reference to the Congress.

He also said the constitutional spirit is hurt when political parties lose their democratic character.

The event, which was organised as part of the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav to celebrate 75 years of India's independence, was boycotted by opposition parties.

Modi, however, said the function was not organised by the government, but by an institution.

The Prime Minister earlier shared on Twitter a part of B R Ambedkar's speech in the Constituent Assembly in which he moved a motion for adoption of the draft Constitution.

Constitution Day is celebrated to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution by the Constituent Assembly in 1949.

"Best wishes to our citizens on Constitution Day," Prime Minister Modi tweeted.

On this "special day", Modi also shared a part of Ambedkar's speech in the Constituent Assembly on November 4, 1948 in which he moved a motion for adoption of the Draft Constitution as settled by the Drafting Committee.

In another tweet, Modi quoted India's first president Rajendra Prasad's words that no matter how beautiful, well-organised and strong any Constitution is made, if it is not run by the true, fearless, selfless servants of the country, then it cannot do anything. This spirit of Rajendra Prasad is like a guiding light, he said in his tweet in Hindi.

12 Excise SIs...

Kishore Singh Chib, Excise Commissioner, J&K.

The Sub-Inspectors who have been promoted as Excise Inspectors include Sumit Chowdhary, Amit Sharma, Rattan Singh Slathia, Rohit Singh, Naveen Sharma, Sunil Sharma, Ravinder Pal, Rishav Seth, Sanjeev Kumar, Khalid Amin Malik, Sandeep Kumar Sharma and Mohd Altaf Wani.

21 Inspectors adjusted...

Rajesh Kumar, Ashok BAZAZ, Meenu Sharma, Vikas Sharma, Wasim Mehraj have been adjusted at CID; Rohit Kumar Bhagat at Crime; Sandeep Singh and Guralp Singh at SSF; Vipin Bangotra at ACB; Jatinder Singh at Jammu Zone and Rayees Ahmed Ganie at Kashmir zone.

J&K Govt's new...

in Istanbul, Turkey. Addressing the gathering, the Lt Governor congratulated the sportspersons and budding gymnasts for the opening of the Gymnastics Academy.

He said that the Gymnastics Academy will identify the talents, hone their abilities and provide them all support to bring laurels at Olympics and International level.

The Lt Governor observed that the formal inauguration of the Gymnastics Academy awaited for many years shows the strong resolve of the Jammu and Kashmir administration to strengthen the resourees of sports and make sports an

important part of the society.

We are committed to extend all-out support to the local talent to scale new heights of success. Sportspersons who made J&K and the nation proud will get due recognition of their achievements, the Lt Governor said.

Underlining the ground-breaking initiatives taken to create a flourishing sports culture at the grassroots level, the Lt Governor said that the UT Government is giving focused attention to develop world class infrastructure, arranging the best coaches, implementing new policies for laying a solid foundation for the budding sportspersons and making J&K the Power House of sports.

We are all set to complete the 615 projects, under UT CAPEX, including Renovation and Upgradation of all Sports Infrastructure by March 2022. Apart from this, 190 projects (out of 520) for creating world-class sports infrastructure in all schools and colleges of J&K have been completed. Out of 31 projects under the Prime Minister's Development Package, 25 projects have been completed till date, the Lt Governor observed.

The combined budget of education and sports of Jammu and Kashmir is Rs 2386 crores, which is way more than various bigger States and UTs. Besides, Youth Services and Sports, this year, is allocated with a budget of Rs 513 crore. At least 17 lakh youth will be provided sports opportunities and Youth clubs have been established in all the panchayats, all urban wards of the UT which will bring out the best sporting talent of J&K, he added.

The Lt Governor appreciated the Sports Council for organizing more than two lakh activities this year to realize the vision of "har din Khel, Sabhi ke Liye Khel".

On the occasion, the Lt Governor interacted with the Gymnasts of all States/UTs, and felicitated the outstanding sportsperson of J&K with cash awards.

A cheque of Rs 5 lakh was handed over to paralympian Rakesh Kumar, and Rs 2 lakh to Shooter Chain Singh.

Sinha calls upon...

India. Our Constitution is an inspirational and living scripture, an epitome of ideals for society. The virtues of liberty, equality and fraternity were held supreme by the framers of the Constitution, observed the Lt Governor.

As Mahatma Gandhi had said the true source of rights is duty. If we all discharge our duties, rights will not be far to seek. "Let us vow to discharge our Social, Moral & Fundamental duties keeping the national interests paramount", the Lt Governor said. Constitution Day, also known as 'Samvidhan Divas', is celebrated in our country on 26th November every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India.

NMA preparing blueprint...

said that NMA is preparing a well-crafted plan to achieve UNESCO world heritage site status for several monuments here.

"Martand, Parihaspora, Naranag and Harwan are among the major sites which deserve the status of UNESCO World Heritage sites."

"Jammu and Kashmir is sitting on a treasure of world class heritage sites and the NMA will work hand in hand with J&K Government and ASI to ensure that these sites are taken up in tentative list of World Heritage sites and consequently into UNESCO list of the World Heritage sites," NMA Chairman observed.

The Chairman also appreciated the efforts of Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha, who has infused new enthusiasm among officers to protect heritage and has started a new campaign for the protection of cultural heritage in Jammu and Kashmir.

Tarun Vijay also complimented the Deputy Commissioner, Srinagar, Aijaz Assad for initiating the renovation process of Vicharnag Temple.

He also applauded the efforts of central and local officers who have worked hard in spite of several challenges. He added that special certificates of honour will be given to them for their dedicated services in preserving these rich cultural treasures.

The Chairman, while acknowledging the work of ASI officers, said that more than 19 cases of encroachment and violation of law have been registered by ASI against the encroachers in Naranag only.

During his survey of Rainawari's ancient Vitaal Bhairav Temple, the Chairman asked the officials that the process should be initiated to list the site on Central and local ASI list.

Tarun Vijay also asked the officers that adequate staff be deployed for upkeep and protection of these cultural heritage treasures and in coming days proper budget and funds will be allocated for the same.

J&K ranks 3rd...

quality products survive in today's competitive markets and the Jammu region must be known for the best quality milk products', he maintained.

The celebration was held at Krishi Bhavan Jammu in which Director Animal Husbandry Jammu, Dr Doifode Sagar Dattatray, Joint Director Farms, Dr MA Tak; Joint Director Poultry, Dr Tariq Parvez; Technical Officer General, Dr Rajiv Manhas; Technical Officer Poultry, Dr Abhinav Chauhan among other officers and dairy farmers participated.

India asks Pak...

note verbale was handed over to the Pakistani diplomat, reiterating New Delhi's demand for an expeditious trial in the Mumbai attacks case and asking that country to abide by its commitment to not allow territories under its control for terror-

ism against India.

"I pay homage to all those who died in the Mumbai attack. Many brave police personnel were also martyred in the strike. I also pay homage to them," Modi said in Hindi in the video posted by the MEA on Twitter.

"India cannot forget the wounds of the Mumbai attack. Today's India is combating terrorism with a new policy and new ways," he said.

In a statement titled 'Thirteen years of seeking justice for the victims of 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks', the MEA asserted that the terror attack was "planned, executed and launched" from Pakistani territory.

"It is a matter of deep anguish that even after 13 years of this heinous terror attack, the families of 166 victims from 15 countries across the globe still await closure, with Pakistan showing little sincerity in bringing the perpetrators to justice," it said in a statement.

The MEA said India will continue to make every effort to seek justice for the families of the "victims and the martyrs" of the attacks.

"The former Prime Minister of Pakistan had gone on record and admitted that the terrorists were sent from Pakistan's soil," the MEA said, in a reference to comments made by former premier Nawaz Sharif.

"We once again call on the government of Pakistan to give up double standards and to expeditiously bring the perpetrators of the horrific attack to justice," it said.

The MEA said it is not just a matter of Pakistan's accountability to the families of the innocent victims who fell to terrorists, but also an international obligation.

"On the 13th anniversary of the 26/11 Mumbai terrorist attacks, the government and people of India somberly remember the victims of this dastardly attack and the valiant security personnel who laid down their lives to protect ours," the MEA said.

"The President, the Prime Minister and the External Affairs Minister, in separate messages, have expressed their firm solidarity with the families of the victims," it said.

On November 26, 2008, a group of 10 Pakistani terrorists went into a rampage, carrying out a coordinated attack on a railway station, two luxury hotels and a Jewish centre, after they sneaked into India's financial capital using the sea route in the Arabian sea.

As many as 166 people were killed in the nearly 60-hour assault that sent shock-waves across the country and even brought India and Pakistan to the brink of war.

In November 2012, Ajmal Amir Kasab, the lone surviving gunman among the Pakistani group, was hanged to death in Yerawada Jail in Pune.

India has been pressing Pakistan to punish those involved in the dastardly attack but the trial of the accused in the attack made little headway so far.

India and 14 other countries lost their nationals in the attack.

"Indian Missions in these countries are organising memorial events remembering the victims, both national and foreign, reminding the world of the continuing global threat of terrorism," the MEA said.

"Senior government representatives from the host governments, family members of victims and survivors will be participating in these solemn events," it said.

MEA Spokesperson Arindam Bagchi tweeted that the world stands united in remembering the victims of 26/11 and seeking justice. The video featured images of the Mumbai carnage including the iconic Taj Mahal Palace Hotel.

LG seeks 30...

testing, and vaccination across the UT, besides proportion of RAT/RTPCR testing and COVID Appropriate Behaviour enforcements.

Dr Arun Kumar Mehta, Chief Secretary; Atal Dulloo, Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department; Shaleen Kabra, Principal Secretary to the government, Home Department; Nitishwar Kumar, Principal Secretary to the Lt Governor; Dr Raghav Langer, Divisional Commissioner Jammu; Vijay Kumar, IGP Kashmir; Deputy Commissioners and SPs, attended the meetings, in person and through virtual mode.

J&K records 174...

23 cases in Baramulla district, they said.

There are 1719 active cases in the union territory, while the number of recovered patients stood at 320048, the officials said.

The till date death toll in the union territory due to pandemic reached 4470 with four deaths in the last 24 hours.

Meanwhile, the officials said, there were 49 active cases of Mucormycosis (black fungus) in the union territory, though no new case was reported in the last one day.

Kashmir Police opens...

According to the new mechanism, any person can file a complaint against misuse of power by police or any other officer in the department by accessing the link on the website and providing the details asked.

The complaint shall be monitored by a designated officer at the zonal police head-quarter, Kashmir, and appropriate action will be taken within 15 days from the date of the complaint, said the spokesperson.

The police also solicited suggestions to improve public-police relationship from the public.

The reply or action taken report shall be conveyed to the sender through mail within the 15 day period, the spokesperson added.



Rambagh encounter: Downtown in Srinagar remained closed; mobile internet remained suspended

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Majority of shops and business establishments in downtown Srinagar remained shut on second consecutive day on Friday while mobile internet remained suspended in many parts of the city following killing of three terrorists, officials said. The shutdown was observed mainly in interior areas such as Nowhatta, Gojwara, Khanyar, Safakadal, Nawakadal, Rajouri Kadal and MR Gunj, they said. Traffic, however, was plying as usual, the officials said.

Police on Wednesday gunned down Mehran Shalla, a self-styled commander of The Resistance Front (TRF) and a resident of Jamalata area in Nawakadal, and Manzoor Ahmad Mir and Arafat Sheikh, both from Pulwama, in a brief encounter in Rambagh area of the city. Police said Mir and Sheikh, too, were affiliated with TRF, an offshoot of Lashkar-e-Taiba. Shalla was wanted by security forces in connection with several civilian killings, including those of two teachers belonging to minority communities inside a school at Eidgah area of city last month, they said.

Police destroys 24 Kg RDX, 71 hand grenades in Reasi

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

REASI: Police on Friday destroyed 24 Kg RDX and 71 hand grenades seized during various anti-insurgency operations in Reasi district in last 12 years, officials said on Friday.

Since 2009, the special operations group had seized grenades, improvised explosive devices along with fuses and remote controls, detonators and RDX in 15 terrorism cases registered in Mahore-Chassana area of Reasi, they said, adding that these explosives remained in safe custody of police.

Sensing threat of accidental explosions, the police approached courts seeking orders for lawful safe destruction of seized explosives, the officials said.

After hearing their petitions, the Reasi Sessions Court passed destruction orders in two cases while two other cases were followed up in the National Investigative Agency court in Jammu, which subsequently passed the orders. Orders to destroy explosives in another 11 cases were passed by a court in Mahore, police said.

Acting on directions of the courts, Reasi Senior Superintendent of Police Shailender Singh constituted a special joint team comprising personnel from the Mahore sub-division, bomb disposal squad and engineering regiment of 58 Rashtriya Rifles. A team of experts took the explosives to a safe place and destroyed them following due protocols, an official said.

Blind hit & run case solved; accused arrested

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

AKHNOOR: Police on Friday blind hit & run case of Chowki Choura by arresting an accused person.

As per details, on Nov 23, 2021, an information was received at Police Post Chowki Choura from reliable sources that a truck driver was hit by an unknown vehicle at Mandir Galla, Chowki Choura under jurisdiction of Police Station Akhnoor. The driver of unknown vehicle fled away from the spot along with the vehicle after hitting the victim. Some locals shifted him to GMC Jammu where he succumbed to his injuries. On the information, FIR No. 301/21 under section 279/304-A of IPC was registered at Police Station Akhnoor and investigation started.

A team led by SHO Police Station Akhnoor Inspr Hilal Azhar assisted by Incharge Police Post Chowki Choura Insp Ankuj Kumar under the supervision of SDPO Akhnoor Varun Jandial, with strenuous efforts and with the help of analysis of CCTV footages of different locations along with technical assistance and timely human intervention, identified driver of the said unknown vehicle and arrested him.

He was identified as Yugal Kishore, son of Barfi Ram, resident of Taryath, District Rajouri and the vehicle (JK11E-9151) involved in the accident has been also recovered and seized.

2 smugglers arrested; illicit timber seized

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SOPORE: Police on Friday arrested two timber smugglers and seized illicit timber at Fidarpora Rafiabad.

As per the details, acting on specific input about timber smuggling at village Fidarpora Rafiabad, a party of Police Station Dangiwaacha along with officials of Forest Department under supervision of SDPO Rafiabad raided the particular spot and seized illicit timber from the possession of one Abdul Qayoom Mir, son of Abdul Razak Mir and Abdul Ahad Hajam, son of Muhammad Rajab Hajam both residents of Fidarpora Rafiabad. They were arrested and shifted to police station where they remained in custody. Accordingly, FIR No. 189/2021 under relevant sections of law was registered at Police Station Dangiwaacha and further investigation started.

Rs 29,400 fine recovered from SoPs violators in Ramban & Kathua

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

RAMBAN/KATHUA: Continuing enforcement drive to implement COVID protocol across the district Ramban, the Enforcement teams on Friday fined scores of violators for roaming without wearing face masks and not maintaining physical distance. The enforcement teams, during inspection in their respective jurisdictions, recovered a fine of Rs 21,800 taking the total amount fined since April 1, 2021 to Rs. 67,61,300. The Enforcement officers urged the 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 919 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 1632 samples including 348 RT-PCR and 1,284 RAT samples besides administering COVID vaccine to 919 persons at dedicated Vaccination Centres in the district.

KATHUA: To ensure strict implementation of guidelines issued by the District Administration, Kathua Police fined 24 violators and imposed fine of Rs 7,600 for not obeying COVID Appropriate Behaviour (CAB) and defying guidelines in the district.

Woman narco-smuggler arrested; 32 gm heroin recovered

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Police on Friday nabbed a woman narco smuggler and recovered 32 gm heroin from her possession.

As per details, a team of Police Station Bagh-e-Bahu led by SHO Bagh-e-Bahu Inspr Kirti Sharma during Naka checking at Qasim Nagar Chowk, rounded up a suspect who tried to run away on seeing police. On search, 32 gm heroin was recovered from possession of suspect, later identified as Anita Devi, wife of Yash Pal, resident of Talab Tiloo and presently staying at Qasim Nagar. She was arrested and FIR No 100/2021 under sections 8/21/22 of NDPS Act was registered against her at Police Station Bagh-e-Bahu. The overall arrest and recovery was made under the supervision of SDPO East Sajjad Sarwar.

8 bovines rescued, smuggler arrested

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SAMBA: Police on Friday foiled attempts to smuggle bovines by rescuing 8 bovines in two separate incidents under jurisdiction of Police Station Ghagwal.

As per details, acting on a reliable information, a party of Police Station Ghagwal laid a surprise check point near NHW Nonath and signaled a Mahindra vehicle (PB07BY/3463) to stop. During checking of vehicle, 5 cattle were found laden inside the vehicle without any permission which were rescued. However driver managed to get escaped taking advantage of darkness. The vehicle used for transporting bovines was also seized on spot. In this connection, FIR No.

203/2021 under sections 188 of IPC, 11 of PCA Act was registered at Police Station Ghagwal.

Similarly in another incident, a party from Police Station Ghagwal while performing vehicle checking duty at Naka NH Tappal arrested a bovine smuggler namely Ghar Singh, son of Om Parkash, resident of Haria Chak, Tehsil Marheer, District Kathua and rescued 3 bovines which were being transported in a Mahindra vehicle (JK08C /8992). All the bovines were rescued and shifted to safer place. The vehicle used for transportation of bovines was also seized on spot. In this connection, FIR No.204/2021 under section 188 of IPC, 11 of PCA Act was registered at Police Station Ghagwal and investigation started.

Man dies as car falls into gorge

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

POONCH: A man got killed after a car, he was driving, skidded off the road and fell into a gorge in Poonch district on Friday.

As per the details, the accident took place when the driver lost control over his Wagnor-R car (JK12B-066) on reaching near BSF camp on old road. The driver, identified as Ashish Khajuria, son of Satish Kumar, resident of Mangnar Haveli Poonch, died on the spot.

Rs 100 cr heroin recovery case: Narco smuggler sent to 9-day police remand

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The smuggler, who was arrested with a consignment of heroin worth Rs 100 crore in Jhajjar Kotli was sent on a nine-day police remand on Friday. He is being interrogated as many things have been revealed on his disclosure and a team has been sent to conduct raids in Punjab in order to apprehend accused driver.

Pertinent to mention here that on Thursday morning, Jhajjar Kotli police recovered a huge consignment of heroin (52 packets worth Rs 100 cr) from a truck. The co-driver, identified as Bharat Sahi, was arrested however driver managed to escape from the spot. Police officials said that many things will come to fore after arrest of the driver.

Girl among 2 found hanging

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A girl among two persons was found hanging under mysterious circumstances on Friday.

As per details, 20 years old Sunil Singh, son of Kuldeep Singh, resident of Rannagar was found hanging with a tree in jungle area of Dhiran village at Rannagar. They informed the police which rushed to the spot and shifted body to morgue for autopsy. A case has been registered in this regard.

Meanwhile, a 20 years old girl, resident of Chopra Shop Udhpampur was also found hanging in her house under mysterious circumstances.

Accused wanted in theft case nabbed

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

RAJOURI: An accused of theft case, who was on run, got arrested by Manjakote Police on Friday.

As per details, acting on specific information about presence of accused in the area, Manjakote Police raided a suspected location and nabbed the accused. He was identified as Mohd Kabir, son of Feroz Din, resident of Saaz and was wanted in FIR No 155 & 162/2021 registered at Police Station Manjakote. The alto car (JK11E-6134) which he had used for commission of crime at village Patrara was also seized by police.

3-yr old girl dies of burn injuries

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

DODA: A 3 years old girl died of burn injuries in Gandoh on Friday.

As per details, Fatima, daughter of Mohd Hussain, resident of Gandoh received burn injuries in her house and was taken to hospital for treatment, where she succumbed to injuries. Police has registered a case for investigation.

