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Woman injured in landmine blast along LoC

of J&K faced persistent neg-

lect of healthcare. There was

no government health insur-

ance scheme. Prime Minister

established a resilient health

system and provided health

assurance to all, he further

The State health agency

that is implementing ABPM-

JAY SEHAT has achieved

many milestones since the launch of initiative and more

than 77 lakh people have

Ayushman cards and so far 6

lakh beneficiaries have been

provided free and cashless

treatments under the

scheme, the Lt Governor said

lauding the agency's resolve.

Around 1000 people are

using the health golden card

per day and getting treat-

ment worth Rupees two and

a half crore daily, he added.

The Lt Governor further

observed that approximately

92% of families in the

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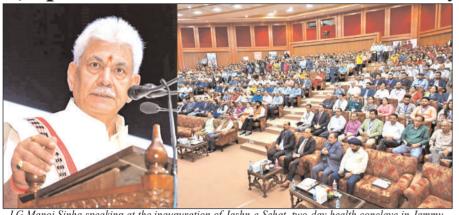
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Halloween Day celebrated at JKPS Kunjwani amidst spooky & scary ambience

Air surcharge 50 paisa for Leh

Committed to health for all without discrimination: LG

92 pc of families in J&K have at least one Ayushman Card



LG Manoj Sinha speaking at the inauguration of Jashn-e-Sehat, two-day health conclave in Jammu

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Underscoring that right to health for all without discrimination is our com-Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on "We have Friday said: ensured every citizen in need of medical attention is treat-

ed with respect and dignity". "A more happier and productive society is our prime objective", Sinha said while

inaugurating 'Jashn-e-Sehat', two-day health conclave to celebrate people's right to health and deliberate challenges and future roadmap for better health services delivery, here at Convention Centre.

The LG added: "I believe public health is fundamental to stable socio-economic growth. Prudent policy fol-

tee, the structure in question

was part of a fountain in the

offering namaz.

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tion helped us to fill gaps in health care capacities and eradicate inequality between rich and poor"

While many developed nations are mulling over Universal health coverage. PM Narendra Modi has ensured equal access to health services without finanhardship, the Governor observed.

CAO gets Addl charge of Treasury Officer

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The government on Friday assigned additional charge to the Chief Accounts Officer (CAO)/ General Manager (Accounts) Development Corporation, Srinagar.

"Abdul Salam Kumar, Accounts Officer/General Manager (Accounts) Power Development Corporation, Srinagar is assigned the charge of Treasury

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Mother-daughter duo dies as boulder triggered by landslide hits house

STATE TIMES NEWS

POONCH: A woman and her minor daughter died on Friday after a big boulder following a landslide hit their house in Poonch district, officials said.

The incident took place in Dooner area of Baffliaz on DKG road at around 5.50 am, they said.

The 48 Rashtriya Rifles of the Indian Army and the police along with

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ED attaches separatist Shabir Shah's Srinagar house

STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Enforcement Directorate on Friday said it has attached Jammu and Kashmir separatist Shabir Ahmad Shah's Srinagar house as part of a money laundering probe linked to a case of fuelling terrorist activities in the Union territory.

The house, worth Rs 21.80 lakh, is located in Botshah colony, Sanat Nagar, in Srinagar's Barzulla police station area, officials said.

The money laundering case against Shah stems from an FIR filed by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) in May 2017 against Lashkar-e-Taiba chief Hafiz Saeed and others under various sections of the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA).

"Shabir Ahmad Shah was actively involved in the in Kashmir valley by way of stone pelting, processions, protests, bandhs, hartals and other subversive activities.

"He was involved in receiving funds from terrorist organisation Hizbul-Mujahideen (HM) and other terrorists outfits based in Pakistan as well as from the Pakistani establishment hawala and various other means and channels and these funds were then being used for fuelling and supporting terror activities in the Kashmir valley, the ED said in a statement. Shah was arrested by the ED in 2017 from Srinagar and is currently

lodged in a Delhi prison.

Gyanvapi mosque: HC admits petition challenging permission for carbon dating of 'Shivling'

STATE TIMES NEWS

PRAYAGRAJ (UP): The Allahabad High Court on Friday admitted a revision petition challenging an order passed by the Varanasi district judge, which rejected a demand for the carbon-dating of a structure, claimed to be a "Shivling", inside the Gyanvapi mosque complex.

Admitting the petition filed by Laxmi Devi and others, Justice J J Munir also ordered to issue notices to the Anjuman Intezamia Masjid Committee, which manages the affairs of the mosque, to present its ver-

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JAMMU: The government

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Udhampur to three Medical

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Nursing College, Akhnoor;

Dr. Seema Rani, Medical

Officer of B.Sc Nursing

College, Reasi; and Dr. Renu

Rani, Medical Officer of

Nursing College,

Akhnoor, Reasi

Officers (MOs).

posts of

Secretary,

Department.

Udhampur

Max: 88

Medical

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SC seeks replies of Centre, J&K on plea against shifting of detenues out of UT jails people, detained under the

STATE TIMES NEWS

"wazookhana", a small reser-DELHI: voir used by devotees to per-Supreme Court on Friday form ritual ablutions before sought responses from the Centre, the Jammu and An application was moved Kashmir government and before the district judge others on a plea alleging that over 20 people, demanding a scientific determination of the age, characdetained under public safety ter etc. of the "Shivling", law, have been shifted out of including its carbon dating. the union territory prisons In the application, a to jails in Uttar Pradesh and ground penetrating radar Harvana. (GPR) survey was also

A bench comprising Chief Justice Uday Umesh Lalit and Bela M Trivedi took GPR is a geophysical note of the submissions of method that uses radar pulses to image the subsurface of advocate Colin Gonsalves, appearing for the relatives of four detenues, ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9



that they have been shifted out of the jails in Jammu and Kashmir thus depriving

their relatives the opportunities to meet them.

The senior lawyer said that

local law, cannot be moved out of the Union territory as the statute was applicable to the Union territory only.

The detenues are in preventive detention under the provisions of the Jammu and Kashmir Public Safety Act, 1978. The plea was filed by a woman named Raja Begum and three others through lawver Satva Mitra.

Arif Ahmad Sheikh, son of Begum, a resident of Parimpora in Srinagar, was shifted to the central Jail in Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh. He was detained under the PSA on April 7.

for 'monetary motivation' STATE TIMES NEWS also revealed that she was

Son, his friend murdered woman

SRINAGAR: Police on Friday arrested elder son and his friend in connection with the murder of a woman in Anantnag district on October 21. The death had sparked protest by the family who had blamed her in-law.

"On October 21, 2022 at about 1800 hours, an information was received by Station Mattan Police District Ananthnag to the effect that a lady namely Razia Akhtar wife of Manzur Ahmad Khan of Kehribal, who is aged about 45 years, had slipped from a concrete slab," a police said.

The information, he said,

shifted to GMC anantnag for treatment; however doctors declared her brought dead.

"Due to her prolonged matrimonial dispute, various allegations and counter allegations were making rounds in societal circles." he said.

Accordingly, he said, a police party was deputed who after inspecting the scene of crime raised questions on the pattern of fall as it seemed 'suspicious".

"Few Suspects were identified and were called for questioning. During the course of questioning several contradictions were noted

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9 Shiv Sena leader Sudhir Suri

Rs 364 cr earned from scrap during Swachhta campaign: Dr Jitendra

STATE TIMES NEWS

a structure. It is a

NEW DELHI: Union Minister for Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Dr. Jitendra Singh, said that Special Campaign 2.0 was highly successful in realizing Prime Minister Modi's vision for institutionalizing Swachhta and Minimizing

look after the charge of the Principal, Briefing the media about B.Sc.Nursing Colleges in the outcomes and best practices of Month long with immediate effect, till Nationwide Special Campaign 2.0 conducted regular arrangements are made," reads an order issued from 2nd October to 31st October, 2022, Dr Jitendra by Bhupinder Kumar, Health and Singh said, over Rs. 364 Education crores earned from scrap disposal and over 88.05 As per order, Dr. Raman

lakh sq feet of space freed during the campaign. Dr Jitendra informed that

Special Campaign 2.0 was 15 times larger than Special Campaign of 2021 in terms of cleanliness campaign sites. He said, Swachhata Campaign successfully conducted in 99633 campaign sites, 54.5 lac files reviewed. 436,855 Public Grievances Redressed, 8734 MP's references replied and 883 Rules eased in the period October 2-25, 2022.

Dr. Jitendra Singh said officials drew inspiration Prime Minister's fromwords in his tweet that "such efforts are not only innovative and commendable but most importantly remind us of our basic civic duty of keeping our surroundings and public places clean.

The Special Campaign 2.0 undertaken from October 2-31, 2022 in pursuance of the decision taken by the Council of Ministers that under Special Campaign 2.0, for cleanliness in offices and for disposal of pending references, Ministries/ Departments to give special attention to attached/ subordinate/ field offices, including in the remotest parts of the Country. In the period October 2-31, 2022, the Special Campaign 2.0 has

been implemented in remote outstation offices, foreign missions and attached and subordinate offices. The campaign sites included central government offices from Drass to Kanyakumari and from Bikaner to Itanagar. Further all Indian Missions abroad implemented the Special Campaign 2.0 with enthusiasm.

Over 300 best practices in conducting the Special Campaign 2.0 as a citizen centric movement, to bring citizens and government closer and create an aesthetically pleasant work environment were reported by Ministries/ Departments.

shot dead in Amritsar **STATE TIMES NEWS** AMRITSAR/CHANDIGARH: Shiv Sena (Taksali) leader Sudhir Suri was shot dead on Friday while he was taking part in a protest outside a

Five shots were fired at Suri after which he collapsed. He was taken to a hospital where he succumbed to bullet injuries, they said.

temple in a busy Amritsar

locality, police said.

The accused, Sandeep Singh, has been arrested and the .32 bore licensed weapon used in the crime seized, police said.

Suri was protesting against the management of Gopal



Mandir on Majitha Road -one of the busiest places in the city -- after some broken

idols of Hindu deities were allegedly found on the roadside, which he termed a sacrilege act.

The Shiv Sena leader was in the hit list of several gangsters for a long time. He was provided security by the government with around eight Punjab Police personnel being attached with him, they said.

A video of the incident in which sounds of gunshots can be heard went viral on social media. Moments before getting shot, Suri was heard explaining to police personnel the reason

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LG meets kin of KP assassinated by terrorists; announces job for wife

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Friday met the family members of Puran Krishan Bhat who was gunned down by terrorists in South Kashmir's Shopian district.

Bhat was killed on October 15 outside his ancestral house in the Chowdhary Gund area of Shopian where he had gone to look after his orchards.

Flanked Divisional Commissioner Ramesh Kumar and Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Mukesh Singh, L-G Sinha, visited the house of Bhat at Muthi in Jammu and offered his condolences to his wife Sweety Bhat and children Shriya and Shanu.

"Met the family members of martyr Shri Puran Krishan Bhat Ji at their residence in Jammu and offered my condolences," Sinha tweeted.



by terrorists in Shopian last month.

He also tweeted that the administration has been directed to provide a permanent government job to Bhat's wife and extend every possible help to

Bhat's brother-in-law A K Raina told reporters that L-G has assured them that the culprits will be brought to book. "The case is under investigation. It is at its conclusion," he said.

Raina said the family raised the issue of job, education for children and ex gratia besides shifting household items from Choudharygund to Jammu.

"The LG has assured us all support," he said adding that the demand for registration of families as migrants was raised with him and he assured us of support in the matter.

Bhat's wife said that she wants to hear the news that her husband's killers are dead. "This will give me

"We lived in utter fear for the past several months. The fear became real when terrorists gunned down my husband at the gate of my house in Choudharygund", she said. Choudharvgund residents have sub-

mitted a memorandum to the L-G seeking the registration of 13 families as migrants in Jammu. Vir Ji Kaul CONTD ON PAGE 9 said that the

SC upholds validity of Employees Pension (Amendment) Scheme of 2014, quashes Rs 15,000 salary limit

STATE TIMES NEWS

DELHI: Supreme Court on Friday upheld the validity of the Employees Pension (Amendment) Scheme of 2014 but quashed the threshold limit of Rs 15,000 monthly salary for joining the pension fund.

The 2014 amendment had capped the maximum pensionable salary (basic pay plus dearness allowance) at Rs 15,000 per month. Prior to the amendment, the maximum pensionable salary was capped at Rs 6,500 a month.

A bench of Chief Justice UU Lalit and Justices Aniruddha Bose and Sudhanshu Dhulia, however, read down certain provisions of the scheme.

Employees who have not exercised the option to join the pension scheme must do so within six months, the bench said.

It added that eligible employees who could not join the scheme by the cut-off date should be given an additional chance as there was a lack of clarity on the issue in view of judgments passed by the high courts of Kerala, Rajasthan and Delhi.

The bench further held as invalid the condition in the 2014 scheme that required employees to make a further contribution at 1.16 per cent on salary exceeding Rs 15,000.

It held that the condition to make additional

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Sunrise: 06:51 Hours

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