

## Samba Police detains notorious criminal under PSA

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SAMBA: In order to curb the criminal activities in district Samba Police has detained and lodged in jail a notorious criminal under the Jammu & Kashmir Public Safety Act (PSA). The accused identified as Alam Din alias Allu, son of Nazir Ahmed, resident of Manohar Gopala, tehsil & district Samba has involved in multiple criminal cases registered against him at Police Station Samba and Police Station Majalta of district Udhampur. His criminal activities have posed a serious threat to public peace and tranquility. Following his repeated engagement in criminal activities, detention order was issued by the District Magistrate Samba based on detailed dossiers prepared by SSP Samba Virender Manhas. Police team of Police Post Rakh Amb Talli headed by Incharge PP Rakh Amb Talli under Police Station Samba successfully executed the warrant, leading to the incarceration of the said accused in District Jail Kathua.



## Two drug peddlers nabbed with heroin

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SAMBA: Police has arrested two drug peddlers in the jurisdiction of Police Station Vijaypur & Police Station Samba and recovered approximately 8 grams of heroin like substance from their possession.



A Police Party of Police Station Vijaypur led by SHO PS Vijaypur under the supervision of SSP Samba Virender Manhas during vehicle checking naka near NHW Zamindara Dhaba, intercepted a motorcycle bearing registration No. JK02AQ-2427 for its checking. During checking, approximately 4.50 grams of heroin like substance has been recovered from the illegal possession of accused identified as Vishal Kuma, son of Som Nath, resident of Bhour Camp, Satwari district Jammu.

The said accused has been arrested and contraband item has also been seized. A case FIR No. 145/2024 U/S 8/21/22 NDPS Act has been registered at Police Station Vijaypur and investigation started.

Likewise, a Police Party of Police Post Rakh Amb Talli led by Incharge Police Post Rakh Amb Talli under SHO PS Samba SSP Samba Virender Manhas intercepted a pedestrian at naka Rakh Amb Talli who was moving under suspicious circumstances. During checking, approximately 3.50 grams of heroin like substance has been recovered from the illegal possession of accused identified as Hasan Din, son of Makhani Din, resident of Nanke Chak Supwal District Samba. The said accused was arrested and contraband item was also seized.

A case FIR No. 302/2024 U/S 8/21/22 NDPS Act has been registered at Police Station Samba and investigation started.

## Bovine smuggling bid foiled, 4 bovines rescued, vehicle seized

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JAMMU: Jammu police tightening its noose against bovine smugglers under operation Kamdhenu Police team of Police Station Jhajar Kotli has foiled one bovine smuggling attempt in which 04 bovines were rescued from a vehicle Mahindra bearing registration number No. Jk21G/4189 which was coming Jammu towards Udhampur and when reached at Suketar naka point. The driver of the vehicle fled away from the spot after taking advantage of the darkness.

04 bovines were rescued and vehicle seized. In this regard, a case FIR No. 252/2024 U/S 223/BNS, 11 PCA Act has been registered in Police Station Jhajar Kotli. Further investigation is underway. General public have appreciated the con-

tinuous and strict actions of police against Bovine smugglers.

## Three notorious drug peddlers arrested, heroin recovered

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JAMMU: In a relentless pursuit against drug peddlers, Jammu Police made a significant breakthrough on 20-11-2024. Police team of Police Station Domana led by SHO Domana under the supervision of SDPO Domana and SP Rural Jammu while performing vehicle checking at Domana naka stopped one Scorpio N bearing registration number JK11H-1122 for checking purpose which was coming from Akhnour side towards Jammu.



On frisking of the vehicle Approx.192 grams of Heroin(chitta) like substance was recovered from the possession of Sahil Sharma, son of Raju, resident of Talla Tanda Sunderbani; Sumit Raina, son of Gani Sham, resident of Channi Prat ,Sunderbani and Mohd Rozwan, son of Mohd Ishar, resident of Dodasan Balla, Rajouri.

On this, a case FIR No.269/2024 U/S 8/21/22/25/29 NDPS Act stands registered in P/S Domana, all the three accused were arrested and scorio vehicle seized and further investigation of the case was in progress.

## Two notorious persons arrested with sharp edged weapon

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JAMMU: Police station Bus Stand Jammu apprehended two Notorious persons namely Sanjeev Sharma, son of son of Karam Chand, resident of Gujiru Nagrota Tehsil Billawar District Kathua and Varun Mankota, son of Mohinder Singh, resident of Dewal Tehsil Billawar District Kathua along with Sharp edged weapon like (Toka) in case FIR No. 57/2024 U/S 126(2)/351(3)/BNS, 4/25 Arms Act. A team led by SHO Bus Stand Jammu apprehended the said persons under the close supervision of SDPO City North Jammu and guidance of SP City North Jammu. The Jammu Police remains committed to ensuring justice and maintaining law and order in the area.



## Samba Enforcement Team realises Rs. 1.2 Cr penalty in GST Crackdown

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SAMBA: The Enforcement Wing of the State Taxes Department, Samba, has achieved a remarkable feat in the ongoing financial year 2024-25 by imposing penalties amounting to Rs. 1.2 crore after detecting 190 cases of GST violations related to the movement of goods in transit.

The rigorous enforcement measures, carried out under the leadership of Deputy Commissioner State Taxes Enforcement Samba, Sanjay Gupta have targeted high tax-prone commodities, including metal scrap, cement, granite/marble, TMT bars, and tobacco.

This significant achievement has been made possible under the supervisory guid-

ance of Commissioner State Taxes P.K. Bhat and Additional Commissioner Namrita Dogra. Their strategic direction has empowered the enforcement team to adopt innovative approaches such as enhanced e-way bill verification, data analytics, and round-the-clock vigilance activities, including 24x7 checkpoints (Nakas).

Notably, the Enforcement Wing verified 2,67,519 e-way bills during the current financial year till November 2024, reflecting a 72% increase over the previous year. This surge demonstrates the department's commitment to preventing GST non-compliance and ensuring a transparent tax regime.

The commendable efforts of Assistant Commissioner Preeti Sharma, STOs Raj Kumar Badgal and Kanchan Bala, along with Inspectors Rajinder Singh, Sami Ullah, and Jagandeep Singh, and Sub Inspectors Ashish Bruno Khokhar, Sandeep, and Manvinder, have been pivotal in achieving these results. Their tireless work in conducting rigorous e-way bill verifications and maintaining round-the-clock vigilance has been instrumental in the realisation of these penalties.

## 7 vehicles seized, 7 drivers arrests for illegal extraction & transportation of minerals

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SOPORE: Cracking a whip on illegal extraction and transportation of minerals, Police seized two JCBs and five tippers, besides arrests seven drivers in Sopore.

A Police team of Police Station Bomai headed by SHO PS Bomai initiated the action under the supervision of SDPO Sopore Shri. Sarfaraz Bashir-JKPS and seized seven vehicles (2 JCBs and 5 tippers) besides, arrested seven drivers involved in illegal extraction and transportation of minerals. The accused drivers have been identified as Aabid Manzoor Khan son of Manzoor Ahmad Khan, Muzafar Ahmad Lone son of Mohammad Sultan Lone, Abdul Rashid Lone son of Mohammad Sultan Lone, Shafiq Ahmad Lone son of Abdul Rahim Lone, Aijaz Ahmad Tantray son of Abdul Hameed Tantray all residents of Tujjer Sharief, Ishfaq Ahmad Mir son of Mohammad Abdullah Mir resident of Hardu Shiva and Sheikh Imad son of Abdul Majeed Sheikh resident of Seeloo. Accordingly, cases under relevant sections of law have been registered in Police Station Bomai and further investigation have been taken up.

## Drug peddler arrested; contraband recovered

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KULGAM: Continuing its unwavering efforts to eradicate the menace of drugs from the society, Police in Kulgam arrested a drug peddler and recovered contraband substance from his possession.

A specific checkpoint was established at Batingo Kund by Police Party of Police Station Kund and during checking one person moving in suspicious condition was intercepted. During search, 36 grams of Brown Sugar like substance was recovered from his possession. He has been identified as Mohd Maqbool Lone son of Sanaulah Loan resident of Waripora A/P Ruzloo. He has been arrested and shifted to Police station where he remains in custody. Accordingly, a case vide FIR No. 31/2024 under section of law has been registered in Police Station Kund and investigation has been initiated. Community members are requested to come forward with any information regarding drug peddling in their neighbourhood. Persons found indulging in drug peddling will be dealt as per law. Our consistent actions against drug peddlers should reassure the community members that we are making efforts to keep our society free from the scourge of drug menace.

## Mohan Lal assumes charge as Addl. SP Poonch

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POONCH: Mohan Lal Sharma assumed the charge as Addl. SP Poonch. Earlier, he has also served as DY. SP Hqrs Poonch and DY. SP DAR Poonch. The incumbent officer was warmly welcomed at DPO Poonch.



# Narayana Superspeciality Hospital performs Pediatric Cochlear Implant Surgery

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KATRA: In a remarkable achievement for the region, a 22-month-old girl, successfully underwent cochlear implant surgery today at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspeciality Hospital. This milestone marks only the second time in the north India that the advanced 'SmartNav' electrode insertion monitoring software was utilized during the procedure, heralding a new era in patient care and precision surgery.

The surgery was performed by Dr. Rohan Gupta, ENT Consultant at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspeciality Hospital. Alongside that surgery, another cochlear implant procedure was successfully carried out on a two-year-old child.

Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspeciality Hospital has been a pioneer in this field, having initiated cochlear implant surgeries in 2017 and successfully treating close to 100 patients, including bilateral implants and cases as young



as 14 months old.

Dr. Rohan Gupta described the SmartNav software as a "game changer," emphasizing its role in enhancing surgical precision, reducing radiation exposure, and improving patient safety. He explained the software's findings to parents post-surgery, who were overjoyed to see real-time data confirming the successful placement and functionality of the electrodes.

Dr. M. M. Mathavan, Facility Director, highlighted that adopting cutting-edge technologies like SmartNav reflects the hospital's unwavering commitment to delivering world-class healthcare, setting a benchmark in cochlear implant procedures in the region. Dr.Yashpal Sharma, Executive Director at the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Institute of Medical Excellence, expressed pride in the hospital's achievements and emphasized the Shrine Board's role in making such advanced treatments available locally. He stated, "Thanks to the Shrine Board's commitment, families no longer need to leave the state to seek specialized care for their children with hearing loss. Our focus has always been on enabling compre-

hensive, high-quality care here at home, allowing families to receive the best medical attention without the financial and emotional strain of traveling out of state." Dr.Yashpal Sharma commended the hospital team for their dedication, saying, "With a skilled team and cutting-edge technology, the Cochlear Implant Program at Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspeciality Hospital has become a pillar of hope for families in the region. Our mission is not only to treat hearing loss but also to build a community where every child has the opportunity to thrive. We will continue to set new benchmarks in ENT and cochlear implant surgeries ensuring

families have access to the best possible care. Dr. Rohan Gupta expressed his deep gratitude to Dr.Yashpal Sharma, acknowledging his guidance and support. "Dr.Yashpal Sharma's leadership has been crucial in the growth and success of our Cochlear Implant Program. His vision inspires us to keep advancing and to make a difference in the lives of children with hearing loss."

This achievement reinforces Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspeciality Hospital's position as a leader in cochlear implant surgeries, transforming lives and helping families access world-class healthcare right here in the region.

# SSP Doda reviews highway deployment, alertness of nakas on NH-244

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DODA: SSP Doda Sandeep Mehta, reviewed highway deployment already in place on NHW-244 from Baggar to Doda. He was accompanied by the SHOs and IC PPs of the area. The manpower deployed on NHW-244 which includes Highway patrols, Model Naka at Baggar and other Nakas were thoroughly briefed to exercise vigil of highest order in their area of responsibility. Directions were also issued for checking/ frisking of vehicles and commuters besides traffic violations to prevent road mishaps. He categorically directed the field staff to take strict action against Overloading, Drunk Driving, rash and negligent driving. He



SSP Doda Sandeep Mehta, reviewing highway deployment.

stressed on stopping and frisking of suspicious people commuting on NHW-244 and drivers carrying suspicious items in their vehicles. The infrastructure available on Naka points and other locations were also inspected and necessary instructions were issued on the spot for

enhancing of security surveillance on NHW stretch. Besides this, SSP Doda also stressed on the highway patrols to help the commuters in duress and play a proactive role in shifting the injured to the nearest medical facility in case of accidents.

## CLUJ hosts Inter-Collegiate power & weight lifting (men, women) competitions

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JAMMU: The Cluster University of Jammu organised Inter-Collegiate Power lifting and weight lifting (Men and Women) Competitions at Government SPMR College of Commerce the other day.

Prof. Pawan Gupta was the Chief Guest at the Opening Ceremony, while Dr. Vinod Bakshi, Director Physical Education & Sports CLUJ was the Guest of Honor.



Organisers along with medal winners.

Dr. Chetna Gupta, Prof. Sanjeev Verma, Prof. Esha Abrol, Ramandeep Physical Director of GCOE were also present at the Competition. The Tournament was organized under the overall Supervision of Ravi Kumar, Physical Director Govt. SPMR College of Commerce.

In the Weight Lifting women's section, the team of Govt. SPMR College of Commerce emerged as a winner of the tournament while PSPS GCW Gandhi Nagar ended as runner-up.

In the Men section, Karan jot Singh of GGM

Science Won Gold Medal and Hetender Singh of GCOE won silver medal.

In Powerlifting women, the team of Govt. SPMR College of Commerce emerged as a Winner of the tournament while PSPS GCW Gandhi Nagar stood as Runner-up.

In the Men section, Govt. SPMR College of Commerce emerged as a winner of the tournament while GGM Science Runner-up.

The Competition was officiated by Ajay Sharma, Deepak Jyoti, Akash Kath and Rahul Sawhney.

# SWD holds awareness camp on Menstrual Hygiene Management, Inclusive Education

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REASI: As part of its commitment to empowering young girls and fostering a healthier future, Department of Social Welfare, Reasi organised a significant outreach programme under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Scheme at Govt. Middle School Sherpur, Zone Reasi, Block Katra.

During the programme, District Social Welfare Officer, Reasi Sachin Sharma distributed 41 School Bags and 15 Hygiene Kits to the adolescent girl students of Govt. Middle School, Sherpur and Govt. Primary School, Gunni. More than 100 students participated in the event.

Speaking on the occasion, DSWO Reasi laid emphasis on Menstrual Hygiene management, gender equality, women empowerment and girls education. He also threw light on the



Dept officials along with faculty members and students.

bad consequences of using drugs and motivate the students to act as an ambassadors to eradicate the menace of the drugs from the society. DSWO Reasi also encouraged the students to participate in sports activities for the

holistic development of their body, mind and spirit.

The event also highlighted the link between health and education, emphasizing how addressing basic hygiene can address the issue of high

## Dy PRO Jammu organises camp for refugees to aware of relief package

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SUNDERBANI: A special camp was organized by the Public Rehabilitation Officer Jammu in Sunderbani today. The purpose of this camp was to make the refugees of 1947, 65 and 71 aware of the one-time relief package given under the Prime Minister's package, in which an amount of Rs 5.50 lakh is given to a family. Those who have not yet taken advantage of this package. To make them aware of the benefits of this package and on the basis of which documents the refugee families can get this package. Speaking on this occasion to



give detailed information to the people in this regard, Deputy PRO Jammu Kapil Kant Khajuria said that the government has allotted two types of land to the refugees.

One is government land and the other is Mahajreen land. Refugees have got ownership rights on the government land. Whereas the custodian land has desert

rights. Any refugee family can sell the rights of death to another person. On the other hand, land with ownership rights from government land can also be sold. He said that under the Prime Minister's package, it is proposed to give Rs 5.50 lakh to each family as a one-time settlement by the Central Government. Those who have not yet been able to take advantage of this scheme, should collect their Form Alf, copy cancellation, Khasra Girdawari, and other revenue related records and write the village in which they lived earlier in POJK.

Write the name of that village and tehsil and the name of their elders etc. and make a file and submit it to our office. After this, it will be processed under the procedure with immediate effect and the remaining people will be given an amount of ? 500000 as a one-time relief package. On this occasion, people of the refugee community also took many other types of legal advice from him. The camp continued till about 5:00 pm. In which hundreds of people participated enthusiastically and received legal services and information.

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