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continue till December 20. "The most troubling aspect, however, is that such behaviour (disruptions) stifles the rights of new MPs – those who bring fresh ideas and energy from all parties," the prime minister said.

He also said the new members were often denied opportunities to speak in the House.

"In a democratic tradition, every generation has the responsibility to prepare the next generations. But those who have been repeatedly rejected by the people -- 80-90 times -- neither allow discussions in Parliament nor respect democratic principles or the aspirations of the people," Modi said.

"They do not realise their responsibility towards the people. As a result, they consistently fail to meet public expectations, leading to repeated rejection by the electorate," he said.

Modi said he hoped that the new members from all parties would get opportunities to speak in Parliament.

"They bring fresh ideas and innovative visions to advance Bharat. Today, the world looks at Bharat with great hope. As members of Parliament, we must use our time to further enhance Bharat's global respect and attraction," he said.

"Opportunities like the one Bharat has today are rare on the world stage. The message from Bharat's Parliament should reflect the voters' dedication to democracy, their commitment to the Constitution, and their trust in parliamentary practices," the prime minister said.

"We, as their representatives, must live up to these sentiments. It is time to reflect on the time we have lost so far and resolve to compensate by thoroughly debating various issues in the House," he said.

"Future generations will read and draw inspiration from these discussions. I hope this session will be highly productive, enhance the prestige of the Constitution's 75th year, strengthen Bharat's global stature, provide opportunities to new MPs, and welcome new ideas," he said.

"With this spirit, I once again invite and welcome all esteemed members of Parliament to approach this session with enthusiasm and vigour," the prime minister said.

He added that the current session of Parliament was special in many ways, with the most significant aspect being the 75-year journey of the Constitution.

"This is a momentous occasion for democracy. Tomorrow (Tuesday), we will collectively begin the celebration of the 75th year of our Constitution in the Samvidhan Sadan. The Constitution framers debated every point in great detail while drafting the Constitution, resulting in this excellent document. A significant pillar of this is our Parliament and its members," Modi said.

### Avoid ruckus in...

day when opposition members raised slogans and trooped to the Well of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha demanding discussion on the issue of indictment of industrialist Gautam Adani in a US court on bribery charges.

### LG reviews Tawi...

Governor directed the officers and implementing agencies to accelerate the pace of work for completion of the prestigious project in a time-bound manner. Interacting with the media persons, the Lieutenant Governor said: "The work on the first phase of this flagship project under Jammu Smart City is expected to be completed by the month of January, 2025.

Tawi Riverfront project will expand the tourism potential of Jammu. Many other projects and initiatives like Jambu Zoo, Light & Sound Show, Temple of Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams etc have already been completed to further increase the tourism potential of Jammu Division.

Around 5000-6000 people are visiting Suchetgarh and Tirumala Tirupati Temple every day. The number is increasing during weekend. Efforts are being made to create more such destinations in Jammu city and Jammu region with the assistance of the Government of India. I congratulate Jammu Smart City, it was a difficult project, I hope that the people of Jammu will enjoy the Tawi Riverfront," the Lieutenant Governor said.

The Lieutenant Governor was accompanied by Atal Dulloo, Chief Secretary; Shaleen Kabra, Additional Chief Secretary; Jal Shakti Department; Dr Mandeep Bhandari, Principal Secretary to Lieutenant Governor and Mandeep Kaur, Commissioner/Secretary, Housing & Urban Development Department. Yuvvir Sethi, Member of Legislative Assembly; Devansh Yadav, CEO Jammu Smart City Limited and senior officials were also present.

### Cop injured during...

protesters called off their strike. Jammu and Kashmir Lt Governor Manoj Sinha on Monday said the genuine concerns of the people protesting at the Katra base camp against the proposed ropeway project along the Mata Vaishno Devi route would be addressed.

Amid slogans of "Bharat Mata ki Jai", hundreds of protesters held a march and sit-in in Katra town, the base camp for pilgrims visiting the shrine atop Trikuta hill.

The protesters, who had initially called for a 72-hour strike, extended it by 24 hours late on Sunday.

During Monday's protest, tension escalated when a Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) vehicle attempted to pass through the town while the protesters were holding a dharna.

Some protesters turned violent, hitting the vehicle and breaking its windshield, officials said.

The vehicle was moved back with police intervention, prompting violent clashes during which some protesters threw bricks at the police, chased them, and even manhandled them, they added.

Some policemen were allegedly beaten by the protesters.

Senior Superintendent of Police (Reasi) Paramvir Singh said, "The law and order situation has become challenging, and we are trying to handle it. Officers are in talks with the protesters to resolve the issue."

The protesters are demanding that the project be shut down or that compensation be provided to all those likely to be affected.

The strike, called by shopkeepers and pony and palanquin owners, began on November 22 after the Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board announced plans to proceed with the Rs 250-crore ropeway project between Tarakote Marg and Sanji Chhat along the 12-kilometre route.

The shopkeepers and labourers fear the project, proposed to be completed in two years, would render them jobless.

### J&K Govt issues...

as top secret and secret should never be transmitted over the internet and must only be shared through closed networks with SAG-grade encryption.

"The departments are required to implement firewalls, white-list IP addresses and ensure access to e-Office systems through Virtual Private Networks (VPNs). Only authorized personnel are permitted to use these systems. Top secret and secret information should only be transmitted on leased-line networks," Verma said.

Referring to fresh guidelines on video conferencing (VC), the circular stated that only government-approved VC solutions from CDAC, CDOT or NIC are permitted.

"Access controls such as waiting rooms and participant registration are mandatory. Top secret and secret information must not be discussed during VC meetings," he added.

The officials working remotely should use security-hardened devices connected to office servers via VPNs and firewalls. Sharing top secret and secret information in work-from-home settings is strictly prohibited, the circular noted.

The government also imposed restrictions on smart devices for transferring sensitive communication.

"Devices like Amazon Echo, Google Home, and similar digital assistants must be removed from offices during discussions of classified issues. "Smartphones should also be deposited outside meeting rooms when discussing sensitive topics," it stated.

The circular warned that non-compliance with these guidelines would result in disciplinary action.

"These measures are critical to maintaining the confidentiality and security of government communications," Verma said, stressing the need for vigilance and adherence to these protocols.

### Two retired revenue...

Branch official said. Official added, "The complainant claimed that the accused, along with their father and in collusion with revenue officials, fraudulently got the land transferred and mutated in their favour. They allegedly used a forged Adoption Deed, which falsely showed the accused as the adopted son of the complainant and her husband, despite her never having appeared before any revenue officer or court for the adoption process."

Following the complaint, Official said, the Crime Branch initiated a preliminary

verification, registered FIR No. 30/2016, and launched an investigation. The investigation, led by an Deputy SP, uncovered offenses of cheating, forgery, and criminal conspiracy against eight individuals.

Four of the accused were arrested, while two were bailed out, and two have since passed away, Official said.

Senior Superintendent of Police, Crime Jammu, Benam Tosh, confirmed that the investigation has been completed, and the chargesheet has been filed against all eight accused in the Special Judge Anti-Corruption Court Jammu for judicial determination.

### DB directs Commissioner...

is unable to cater to the voiceless animals. Advocate S. S. Ahmed in the open Court read the report of the Court Commissioner Zia-ul-Qamar wherein several deficiencies were pointed out including Non-Segregation between Cows, Lactating Cows, baby calves and some Bulls were found locked in the same sheds, sick and injured animals also kept with healthy animals in the same shed. Animals not allowed to access the forest area for grazing. No Veterinarian or supervisory staff found at the time of visit. Electricity facilities not upto the mark. Six number of horses were found in unhealthy/weak condition in a separate shed, however, they were also found untagged only to male and one female labourer were available in the shelter meaning thereby, there is insufficient manpower which is also required to be given due attention.

Advocate S.S. Ahmed also referred the deficiencies pointed out by Dr. Priyanaka Malhotra In-Charge Cattle Pound Nagrota wherein she disclosed shortage of manpower; stocking of expired medicines, failure to provide adequate diet to animals, failure to remove cow dung from Cattle Pound, failed to issue identity cards to workers/attendants deployed at the Cattle Pound.

After considering the submissions of Advocate S.S. Ahmed the Division Bench headed by Chief Justice Tashi Rabstan expressed concern and dissatisfaction in the open Court over the two reports regarding the malfunctioning of Gausghala and put a specific query to Advocate Harshwardhan Gupta as to what action has been taken by J.M.C upon the two reports referred in the Open Court.

Advocate Harshwardhan submitted that he may be given sometime to file action taken report/outcome of notice dated August 21, 2024, upon this Division Bench headed by Chief Justice Tashi Rabstan directed J.M.C to file action taken report (ATR) by or before the next date of hearing.

Sr. AAG S.S. Nanda and Advocate Nancy Mahajan vice Advocate Danish Bhat also appeared in the PIL.

### WhatsApp, Gmail banned...

to NISPG, the 'Top Secret' and 'Secret' information shall be shared only in a closed network with leased line connectivity where a SAG-grade encryption mechanism is deployed.

However, 'Confidential' and 'Restricted' information can be shared on internet through networks that have deployed commercial AES 256-bit encryption," it added.

The directive said the use of government email facility or government instant messaging platforms (such as CDAC's Samvad, NIC's Sandesh etc) is strongly recommended for the communication of 'Confidential' and 'Restricted' information.

"Care should be taken during the classification of information; information that deserves a 'Top Secret/Secret' classification shall not be downgraded to Confidential/ Restricted for the purpose of sharing," it added.

In the context of the e-Office system, departments have been directed to deploy proper firewalls and white-list IP addresses.

"The e-Office server should be accessed through a Virtual Private Network (VPN) for enhanced security. Departments may ensure that only authorised employees/personnel are allowed to access the e-Office system.

"However, Top secret/Secret information shall be shared over the e-Office system only with leased line closed network and SAG grade encryption mechanism," it said.

It said there was a blanket ban on sharing any top secret or secret information through video conferencing. The officials working from home have been directed to use security-hardened electronic devices (such as laptops, desktops) connected to office servers via a VPN and firewall setup.

"Top Secret' and 'Secret' information should not be shared while working from home, it said.

The order said digital assistant devices such as Amazon's Echo, Apple's HomePod, Google Home, etc. should be kept out of the office during discussions on classified issues.

"Digital assistants (such as Alexa, Siri) should be turned off during official meetings in the office used by employee. Smartphones should be deposited outside the meeting room when discussing classified information," the order said.

In light of the risks, all officers and officials were directed to adhere strictly to the guidelines to ensure the security and confidentiality of official communications.

"Non-compliance with these directives may result in disciplinary action as deemed appropriate by the administration," the order read.

### Four Rohingya refugees...

action against the landlords was required to curb the influx of Rohingya refugees and to ensure public safety.

Eighteen FIRs have been registered in the past two days - five of them on Sunday - against landlords for renting out their properties without informing police in accordance with the order of district magistrate, the SSP said.

SSP Sharma requested people not to provide shelter or employment to illegal immigrants and if they do, they should inform the police for verification.

"Four Rohingyas were detained in Jammu for illegally entering India and were booked under Foreigners Act," the officer told reporters here.

He said verification of all tenants is mandatory and any proprietor found lacking in getting his renter verified will have to face the law.

"Some of the Rohingyas have refugee cards and are employed by some locals in their shops. Police verification of all individuals is required for their proper documentation," the officer said.

To keep a watch on Over Ground Workers (OGWs) of terror groups, the SP said simultaneous raids were conducted throughout the south zone and other parts of the district on the people who are under surveillance of the police.

He also asked shopkeepers to inform police and the Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) if some roadside vendor occupies a space in front of their establishments.

### Police attach properties...

operation, the Anantnag police station attached a double-storey building with six shops belonging to Bashir Ahmed Mir in Sadoora, the spokesman said.

"A habitual offender involved in multiple narcotics cases, Mir's seized assets are valued at around Rs 30 lakh," he said.

### DB passes strictures...

officers particularly influential bureaucrats for the last many years.

The Division Bench further observed that it seems that the prosecution sanction is being sanctioned by these authorities on the basis of pick and choose basis as big fishes are still roaming free and the matter is being delayed on one or the other pretext, which is a matter of grave concern.

The Division Bench also expressed serious concern over the dilatory tactics adopted by the J&K Government for sitting over the matter and observed that now after taking number of opportunities under different pretexts, the CBI has filed the status report on October 15, 2024 averring therein that investigation was got conducted district wise looking into role of each licensing authority for illegal issuance of Arms License for the period 2012 to 2016. CBI in its report has further revealed that during the period between 2012 to 2016 approximately 1.53 lakh Arms Licenses were issued in 10 districts of Jammu Division and approximately 1.21 lakh Arms Licenses were issued in 12 districts of Kashmir Division.

At this stage, Senior AAG S.S. Nanda appearing for J&K Govt. produced a communication dated November 20, 2024 from Under Secretary to Govt. General Administration Department (GAD) stating that the matter is still under examination/consultation with the Department of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs and, thus, prayed for certain more time to do the needful and DSGI Vishal Sharma appearing for Union Of India also sought some time on the same lines.

The Division Bench comprising Chief Justice Tashi Rabstan and Justice M.A. Chowdhary reluctantly granted one month more time to Senior AAG S.S. Nanda and DSGI Vishal Sharma appearing for J&K Govt. and Union of India for doing the needful well before the next date of hearing, failing which this Court would have no option but to take some coercive measures. Looking into the public interest involved in the matter, the Division Bench directed the Registry to re-notify the instant PIL on December 30, 2024.

## FICCI FLO JKL Chapter, CRC Jammu sign MoU to empower women, persons with disabilities

### STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A significant Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the FICCI FLO Jammu, Kashmir & Ladakh Chapter and the Composite Regional Center (CRC) Jammu.

This partnership is aimed at empowering women and persons with disabilities through skill development, rehabilitation programs, and socio-economic initiatives.

The MoU will leverage the strengths and expertise of both organizations to build a supportive ecosystem for marginalized groups, enabling them to access training, workshops, and resources that foster independence and enhance employability. The collaboration aligns with national goals of inclusivity and social justice, with a focus on integrating these individuals into the mainstream workforce



and society.

Dr. Ruchika Gupta, Chairperson of FICCI FLO Jammu Kashmir & Ladakh, emphasized the chapter's commitment to creating sustainable pathways for women empowerment. She stated, "This collaboration is a significant step forward in our mission to empower women and persons with disabilities in the region. We believe in the strength of collective action, and this partnership will ensure that women and persons with disabilities are not just given opportunities but are empowered to take charge of their lives and contribute to society."

Dr. Rohnika Sharma, Director of CRC-Jammu (Samba), expressed the center's dedication to rehabilitation and capacity building, calling the MoU a "catalyst for meaningful change." She added, "Through skill-building, vocational training, and awareness programs, we are committed to creating a more inclusive and accessible society for all."

## Absconder evading arrest for 4 years arrested

### STATE TIMES NEWS

REASI: The District Police Reasi has apprehended Sajad Zaheer, son of Abdul Rashid, a resident of Thuroo, Tehsil Thuroo, District Reasi, who had been evading arrest for the last four years.

Sajad was wanted in cases FIR No. 106/2020 under sections 336, 323, 147, 427 IPC at P/S Arnas, and FIR No. 74/2022 under 419, 465, 468, 420, 461, 109 IPC at P/S Reasi.

Despite efforts to evade investigations, he continuously changed his hideouts.

A warrant of arrest was issued against him by the Court of CJM Reasi and JMJC Mahore.

Acting on specific intelligence, the team from P/S Arnas, led by SHO Arnas and SDPO Arnas, conducted repeated raids, eventually capturing the accused.

## Police conducts search raids in terror network case

### STATE TIMES NEWS

UDHAMPUR: District Police Udhampur carried out extensive search raids in multiple locations, including Rai Chak, Kadwah, Ponara, Loudhra, and Sang, in Basantgarh area.

The searches were part of the ongoing investigation into FIR No. 27/2024 at Police Station Basantgarh, targeting suspected associates involved in terrorist activities linked to the case.

## Drug peddler held with Approx. 11.56 grams heroin

### STATE TIMES NEWS

KATHUA: As part of its ongoing #WarOnDrugs initiative, Kathua Police seized approximately 11.56 grams of heroin (chitta) and arrested one person in connection with the drug recovery.

The operation took place in the Kukey Chak area under the supervision of DySP Hqrs. Kathua and SHO PS Kathua.

On the evening of November 25, a police team laid a routine naka (checkpoint) at Kukey Chak and apprehended Ravi Kumar @Laddi, a resident of Chak Drab Khan, Kathua, while he was enroute from Changran to Kukey Chak.

During a physical search, the suspect was found in possession of 11.56 grams of suspected heroin, which was immediately seized.

A case, FIR No. 379/2024, has been registered under sections 8/21/22 of the NDPS Act, and further investigation is ongoing.

J&K Police Kathua has urged local residents to report any drug-related activities by calling 100 or 9858034100, assuring confidentiality.

## SSP Kishtwar holds meeting with transport stakeholders to address issues

### STATE TIMES NEWS

KISHTWAR: Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Kishtwar, Javaid Iqbal Mir, on Monday held an introductory meeting with key stakeholders, including representatives from transport unions, at the District Police Office (DPO) Kishtwar.

The primary objective of the meeting was to strengthen coordination between the police and transporters while addressing public welfare and transportation concerns in the district.

The discussion centered around several pressing issues, including the regulation of transport services, traffic management, and public safety. Transport operators shared their challenges, particularly regarding reckless bike stunts, and the illegal sale of liquor. SSP Kishtwar expressed serious concern over these issues,



emphasizing their detrimental impact on public safety and convenience. He assured participants that strict action would be taken against offenders involved in such activities.

The SSP acknowledged the vital role played by transport unions in ensuring road safety and public order, urging them to work closely with the police to enforce traffic rules, prevent overloading, and curb illegal activities.

He emphasized the importance of collaboration between the police and the

## SSP Poonch reviews security in Border Areas

### STATE TIMES NEWS

POONCH: Shafket Hussain, SSP Poonch, on Monday conducted his maiden visit to the forward areas of Jhulass, Ajote, Karnara, and Khari, located near the Line of Control (LoC).

During his visit, he interacted with both the local population and army personnel deployed in these sensitive areas. SSP Poonch closely reviewed the security situation, examining all security grids and ensuring the readiness of police forces.

In addition to the security assessment, SSP Poonch briefed police personnel on maintaining heightened alertness and taking necessary security precautions.

He emphasized the importance of coordination between the police and local residents to detect and prevent criminal activities, especially smuggling and infiltration attempts.

He also shared police helpline numbers with the public for reporting any suspicious activities or intelligence.

The SSP directed police officers to prioritize the concerns of the local populace, ensuring their grievances are addressed promptly.

## Tribute paid to Martyrs of Mirpur

### STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A large gathering of Mirpurites from various sectors of Jammu, including men, women, and school students, gathered on Monday to pay rich tribute to the martyrs of Mirpur who were brutally killed by raiders on 25th, 26th, and 27th November 1947. Over 18,000 people lost their lives, as they bravely resisted the Pakistan army, vowing not to bow down until the last bullet was fired.

The tragic event occurred due to political conflicts between the then Prime Minister of India and the Maharaja of Jammu & Kashmir.

The Prabbhat Pheri procession, starting from Bakshi Nagar, was supported by similar processions from Gurha, Rehari, and Sarwal sectors, and paid homage at the Mirpur

Shaheedi Smarak at Maheshpura Chowk, Jammu. The tribute was followed by interactions with local media to highlight the painful history of the massacre.

Speakers, both male and female, moved the crowd with their heartfelt speeches and poignant poems, bringing tears to many. The rally, organized by the Mirpur Shaheedi Smarak Welfare Committee, culminated with a thank-you address from Dr. Virender Mahajan, Chairperson. Refreshments were served by Dayal House, Adarsh Trading Company, and Sanjeev Traders.

The day concluded with a Hawan at Arya Samaj Mirpur Balidan Bhawan, where elderly members of the Mirpur Mahajan community observed a fast until the ceremony ended.