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Attends Nagar Kirtan to commemorate 350th martyrdom anniversary of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji

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LG lauds J&K Police for unearthing, dismantling pan-India terror module

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Sunday attended the Nagar Kirtan, organised to commemorate 350th martyrdom anniversary of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji. He paid obeisance at Gurdwara Sant Singh Dastkari Ashram, Digiana, Jammu.

Addressing the gathering, the Lieutenant Governor recalled the life-long campaigns and supreme sacrifice made by Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji, the ninth Guru of Sikhism, to uphold the principles of moral values, righteousness, dignity, and religious freedom.

"Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji was the embodiment of sacrifice and universal brotherhood and on this occasion, we must reaffirm to follow his ideals of peace and harmony,' the Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor highlighted that Guru Tegh



LG Manoj Sinha paying obeisance at Gurdwara Sant Mela Singh Dastkari Ashram, Digiana, Jammu on Sunday.

Bahadur Ji brought a new revolution to society, igniting a new ray of hope.

"Guru Ji's ideals are our holy pilgrimage. Guru Ji has awakened the spirit of selfless service and instilled a new willpower in the nation," he said.

The Lieutenant Governor

observed that the sacrifices of great Sikh Gurus have ensured that India's culture and dignity remain uncompromising.

"Our revered Sikh Gurus ensured India's glory through significant contributions and selfless sacrifices.

strength and pride despite centuries of external invasions and economic drain. We must stand firm in our determination to build a new India of our dreams," he said.

The Lieutenant Governor praised the dedication and professionalism of the

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NIA arrests Kashmiri man who 'conspired' with 'suicide bomber' Dr Umar

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NEW DELHI: In a major breakthrough in the Red Fort area car bomb blast case, the National Investigation Agency has arrested a Kashmir resident who had allegedly conspired with "suicide bomber" Dr Umar Un Nabi to carry out the terror attack, which claimed 13 lives.

Amir Rashid Ali, in whose name the car involved in the blast was registered, has been arrested from Delhi by the NIA, the federal probe agency said in a release

The NIA had launched a massive search operation after taking over the case from the Delhi Police.

Investigations by the probe agency had revealed that the accused, a resident of Samboora in Jammu and Kashmir's Pampore, had conspired with the "suicide bomber", Umar, to unleash the terror attack.

Amir had come to Delhi to allegedly facilitate the purchase of the car, which was eventually used as a "vehicleborne Improvised Explosive



Central agencies collect samples from Nowgam blast site to analyse nature of explosives

SRINAGAR: Teams of NSG, NIA and Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL) on Sunday visited the Nowgam police station blast site in Jammu and Kashmir, where nine persons died and 32 others sustained injuries in an accidental blast, officials said.

The central agencies visited the site to collect samples from the scene of the blast, which occurred on Friday night, officials

They further informed that the samples will be analysed to check the nature of explosives seized from the 'white collar terror' module, which was stored at the Nowgam police station. An accidental explosion ripped ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

Device (IED)" to trigger the blast, the NIA said.

This was the first time the probe agency has described Dr

army's northern command

said in a post on X. On

Saturday, the Army com-

mander visited the Nowshera

and Bimber Gali sectors in

Rajouri district and reviewed

operational preparedness.

The commander interacted

with troops along the Line of

Umar Un Nabi, who was behind the wheel when the car exploded near the Red Fort on November 10, as a "suicide the first time used the term 'vehicle-borne IED" for the

bomber". Also, NIA has for

The NIA has forensically established the identity of the deceased driver of the "vehicleborne IED" as Umar Un Nabi, a resident of Pulwama district of Jammu and Kashmir and an assistant professor in the general medicine department of Al Falah University in Faridabad.

The anti-terror agency has also seized another vehicle belonging to Umar. The vehicle is being examined for evidence in the case, in which NIA has so far examined 73 witnesses, including those

injured in the blast. Working in close coordination with Delhi Police, Jammu and Kashmir Police, Harvana Police, Uttar Pradesh Police and various sister agencies, the NIA is continuing its investigation across states. It is pursuing multiple leads to unearth the larger conspiracy behind the "bombing" and identify others involved in the case, the release said.

J&K terror handlers now prefer recruits with no separatist links, criminal past: Officials

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Youths with no past criminal record or separatist affiliation are now preferred for recruitment by terror handlers in Jammu and Kashmir to stay under the radar of security forces, officials in the know say.

This fresh strategy is completely different from the modus operandi adopted by them two decades ago, according to officials, which favoured those with established links to terror outfits.

The investigators probing the "white collar terror module" have found a distinct nattern and a common denominator among the

Anti-submarine warfare shallow-water craft 'Mahe' to be commissioned on Nov 24 STATE TIMES NEWS

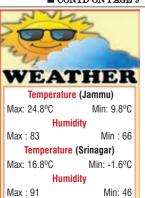
NEW DELHI: Anti-submarine warfare shallow-water craft 'Mahe', equipped with torpedoes, multi-functional anti-submarine rockets and advanced radars and sonars. is set to be commissioned into the Indian Navy on November 24, officials said

on Sunday The first of the eight Antisubmarine warfare shallow water craft (ASW SWC) being built by the Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) is named after Mahe, the historic port town in Puducherry, and symbolises India's rich maritime her-

"With her blend of firepower, stealth and mobility, the ship is designed to hunt submarines, conduct coastal patrols, and secure India's vital maritime approaches," a Navy spokesperson said.

Equipped with torpedoes and anti-submarine rockets, the first of the

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Sunset: 17:29 Hours

Sunrise: 07:01 Hours

accused persons who have been arrested or questioned so far.

"The accused persons like Dr Adeel Rather, his brother Dr Muzaffar Rather, and Dr Muzammil Ganaie do not have any past criminal record or involvement in anti-national activities," an official said.

The official said even the family members of these radicalised youths have no past affiliation with any separatist or terror outfit.

"Even Dr Umar Nabi, who was driving the car that blew up outside the Red Fort metro station in Delhi

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JAIPUR: RSS chief Mohan

Bhagwat on Sunday said the

India still stands with full

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Northern Army Commander calls for proactive steps against emerging terror threats in Jammu

JAMMU: Army's Northern Commander Lieutenant General Pratik Sharma on Sunday reviewed counter-terrorism grid in Jammu and Kashmir's Udhampur district and exhorted all ranks to remain vigilant and proactive against emerging threats in the hinterland.

General Commanding-in-Chief of Northern Command visited Basantgarh and Rampur areas, which witnessed several terror incidents over the past couple of years. "Lt Gen Pratik Sharma

RSS runs on conviction, commitment

of its volunteers: Bhagwat

"The Sangh runs on the

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RSS pracharaks

Rajasthan.



Northern Army Commander Lieutenant General Pratik Sharma during visit to Basantgarh area.

review the counter terrorism against emerging threats in Basantgarh and Rampur to the hinterland. "During the

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Sangh's life energy," he said.

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tioned that despite

the organisation's

improved working

foundational spirit

Sangh has grown, and facilities have

increased, but that

brings its own

visit he also interacted with grid. He exhorted all ranks to troops, lauding their profesremain vigilant and proactive sionalism and unwavering commitment to keep Jammi and Kashmir terror free," the

UP resident detained by Army from border village

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

MENDHAR/JAMMU: A 60-year-old Uttar Pradesh resident was detained by the Army from a forward village in Poonch district on Sunday evening, officials said.

Rann Singh, a resident of Muzaffarnagar district, was found moving in a suspicious manner at Upper Salotri village in Jhulass area and taken into custody by an Army patrolling team, the

They said Singh appeared to be mentally challenged and was handed over to police for appropriate action. Meanwhile. Special Operations Group (SOG)

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Control, commending their high morale, professionalism and sustained operational efficiency, the army said, adding he was briefed on enhanced surveillance systems, precision engagement capabilities and future ready operational measures instituted to maintain a robust

Forensic error, not terror, blamed for Nowgam tragedy: Officials STATE TIMES NEWS Faridabad, Haryana.

SRINAGAR/NEW DELHI: Preliminary investigations into the accidental explosion that ripped through the Nowgam police station late Friday night, killing nine people, suggest that the use of excessive lighting by the forensic team may have triggered the massive blast, officials said Sunday.

The explosion, authorities maintain was an accident and not a terror attack, occurred around 11:20 pm while a team was extracting samples from the final boxes of seized explosive material transported from University

The area has been visited by teams from the Central Forensic Science Laboratory and experts from the elite National Security Guards for collecting samples.

The officials believe the last few boxes contained a liquid substance -- likely a mixture of Acetophenone, Hydrogen Peroxide, and Sulphuric Acid -- and in order to examine the liquid substance closely, the lighting arrangement was scaled up, leading to the massive explosion.

While Acetophenone itself is a common industrial chemical it is a crucial

Terror module case: CIK raids doctor's home in Anantnag

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Counter Intelligence Kashmir on Sunday conducted searches at the residence of a doctor in Anantnag district in connection with the 'white collar terror module' case, officials said.

The raid was carried out by the CIK sleuths at Malaknag in the Anantnag area during the night, the officials said.

They said that during the searches, the CIK personnel found that a female doctor hailing from Haryana was residing in the house as a tenant.

The CIK seized a mobile



phone from the house and took it for forensic analysis, the officials said.

Meanwhile, Bilal Ahmad Wani, a dry fruit seller who,

along with his son Jasir

Bilal, was picked up by police for questioning in connection

by head and neck cancers

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tobiliary (681), genito-uri-

nary (654), hematological

Bihar cabinet meeting today, to pave way for formation of new Govt

STATE TIMES NEWS

PATNA: Decks were being cleared on Sunday for the formation of a new government in Bihar with the scheduling of the last meeting of the outgoing cabinet, which would, understandauthorise Chief Minister Nitish Kumar to take necessary action.

According to a notification of the cabinet secretariat department, the council of ministers will meet on Monday, when, according to a senior JD(U) leader, a resolution will be passed to "authorise" Kumar to meet the governor with the proposal to dissolve the outgoing

assembly. The development came on a day Chief Electoral Officer Vinod Singh Gunjiyal met Governor Arif Mohammed Khan with a list of the members elected in the recently held assembly polls, results of which were announced on Friday.

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force of its volunteers. By

their mindset alone, every

The NDA won a brute majority, bagging more than 200 seats of the 243-strong assembly, with BJP winning the maximum of 89 seats, followed by the JD(U)'s tally of 85, while Union minister Chirag Paswan's LJP(RV) bagged 19, and another nine were won by smaller partners HAM and RLM.

Meanwhile, JD(U) working president Sanjay Kumar Jha, who was back

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DGP reviews operational readiness, anti-terror measures in Kupwara **STATE TIMES NEWS**

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir DGPPrabhat on Sunday conducted a comprehensive review of kinetic and non-kinetic operations, as well as the overall security scenario in Kupwara district.

"During the meeting with senior officers, the DGP assessed operational readiness, intelligence coordination, anti-terror measures, and community-oriented initiatives aimed at strengthening peace and stability in the region," a police spokesman

Prabhat stressed maintaining high vigilance along the border, enhancing synergy



Asrar-ul-Haq Shah in Drugmulla area.

among security agencies, and ensuring the safety of civil-

Accompanied by senior officers, the DGP also visited the residence of late inspector Asrar-ul-Haq Shah in the

Drugmulla area of the district, and offered condolences to the bereaved family, the spokesman said.

Shah was killed in the accidental explosion at ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

with the terror module case, tried to set himself on fire in the Qazigund area, ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9 GMC Jammu logs 9,427 cancer cases in 5 years;

most reported in advanced stages STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: The State Cancer

Institute at the Government Medical College Jammu has documented 9,427 cancer cases over a five-year period, with the majority of the patients reporting to the hospital only after the disease had advanced to Stage III or Stage IV.

According to the latest Hospital-Based Registry data from 2020 to 2024, 5,351 patients were men and 4,076 women, placing the male-to-female ratio at 1.31:1, and suggesting a higher cancer burden among males in the region.

Lung cancer emerged as the most common malignancy with 1,338 cases, followed

cancers (653), esophageal (519), oral cancers (519), and cervical cancer (494). Other major cancers

included intestinal (456), cancers of unknown primary or CUPs (410), ovarian (354), lymphoma (305), stomach (279), brain (263), prostate (233) and bone and soft-tissue cancers (210), in addition to 186 other women's cancers, 111 skin cancers, and 53 classified as other types, the data shows. Jammu district accounted

for the highest number of cases at 3,671, followed

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