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Head Constable martyred...

organisation, Ashok Koul termed the killing as barbaric and a cowardly act which has no place in a civilised society. The act deserves strong condemnation by all without any caste, creed or religion, Koul said. He also expressed grief with the bereaved family.

Police said a terror module of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) was busted by arresting its three associates in Ganderbal district.

They said arms and ammunition was also seized from the arrested persons.

Police in Ganderbal have busted a terror module by arresting three terror associates linked with proscribed terror outfit LeT/TRF (The Resistance Front a shadow of LeT) along with arms and ammunition, a police spokesman said.

He said acting on specific information, a special checkpoint was established by security forces in the Shuhama area of the central Kashmir district.

During checking, movement of three suspects was spotted and they were intercepted, he said.

The spokesman identified them as Faisal Manzoor, a resident of Braripora in Shopian, Azhar Yaqoob, a resident of Zaipora in Shopian and Nasir Ahmad Dar, a resident of Begam in Kulgam.

Incriminating material, arms and ammunition including two Chinese pistols, three pistol magazines, 15 rounds of ammunition, two hand grenades and three mobile phones, were recovered from their possession, he said.

They were arrested and shifted to a police station, he said.

During preliminary investigation, it was revealed that the trio was working as terrorist associates of proscribed terror outfit LeT/TRF and involved in providing shelter, logistic support and transportation of arms and ammunition to the active terrorists across the district. Besides, they were also involved in various terror-related activities in the district, the spokesman said.

A case has been registered and further investigation is in progress, he added.

Meanwhile, Srinagar Police this afternoon claimed no grenade attack took place in the Maharaj Bazar area of the city here earlier in the day, saying the reports of the incident were a rumour.

Earlier, officials had said terrorists hurled a grenade on security personnel at around 4.30 PM in the Maharaj Bazar area of the city, but there was no immediate report of any casualty.

There is rumour about grenade attack in Srinagar at Maharaja Bazar/Mehjoor Nagar. It is clarified that no such attack has taken place, Srinagar Police wrote on Twitter later in the evening.

Man killed, 3...

four people, including the truck driver, were injured in the accident and were rushed to hospital where one of them succumbed to injuries on Saturday.

An electricity transformer, a parked van and a two-wheeler were also damaged in the incident, the official said.

He said a case was registered and further investigation is on.

IED recovered in...

suggest that the IED was an old one as it had gathered rust while remaining buried. Police have registered a case and further investigation is on, the officials said.

J&K: 3-tier...

Gair Mumkin Daryas, Gair Mumkin Nallahs etc, and prepare maps accordingly; delineate lands which do not form part of any water course/source or annual drainage system as per spot verification; to establish baseline for conducting the delineation exercise as per the status of the land in records of 2010, vis-a-vis status of the land with respect to the previous settlement of records, Misal Haqiat etc; and recommend and take remedial action for the illegal encroachments/ constructions actually obstructing the natural flow of water in the channel/course recorded as Gair Mumkin Khads, Gair Mumkin Daryas, Gair Mumkin Nallahs etc.

The committees at Divisional Level shall have a supervisory role and will closely monitor and review the exercise to resolve issues of coordination between two districts, inter departmental consultations and any other assistance which may be required by the district level committees. The progress will be reviewed by the UT

Level Committee on a monthly basis.

The decision will give a major relief to the people who are suffering because of erroneous/misleading entries of such water bodies in their revenue records. This will put an end to litigations pending in various courts besides allowing owners of such lands to transact and carry out various economic/non-economic activities allowed as per land use under the Master Plans of development/local areas.

J&K reports 4,175...

cases reported during 24 hours, the Bulletin said that Srinagar reported 892 cases, Baramulla 475, Budgam 127, Pulwama 153, Kupwara 436, Anantnag 234, Bandipora 131, Ganderbal 44, Kulgam 292 and Shopian district reported 28 fresh cases.

Similarly, the Jammu district reported 653 cases, Reasi 25, Udhampur 104, Rajouri 34, Doda 186, Kathua 99, Samba 55, Poonch 49, Kishtwar 13 and Ramjan district reported 145 fresh cases.

Meanwhile, Ladakh's COVID-19 caseload increased to 25,536 as 188 more people tested positive for the virus, officials said.

Of the new cases, 125 were reported from Leh district and 63 from Kargil district, they said.

According to officials, no Covid deaths were reported on the previous day and the death toll remained unchanged at 223 with 164 fatalities in Leh and 59 in Kargil.

A total of 143 patients, including 108 in Leh and 35 in Kargil, were discharged after successful treatment, officials said, adding the total number of recoveries in Ladakh have gone up to 24,018.

There are 970 active Covid cases in Leh and 325 in Kargil, while the positivity rate of the Union Territory stands at 4.1 per cent, they said.

Rise in minimum...

nearby south Kashmir town of Kokernag registered a low of minus 3.3 degrees Celsius.

The mercury in Kupwara in north Kashmir settled at a low of minus 1.5 degrees Celsius.

The Met Office has said the weather is likely to remain dry till Monday when there is a possibility of rain/snow at scattered places. After that, there are chances of a wet spell on February 2 and 3, it said.

Kashmir is currently under the grip of the 40-day harshest winter period known as 'Chilla-i-Kalan', which began on December 21 last year.

'Chilla-i-Kalan' is a period when a cold wave grips the region and the temperature drops considerably leading to the freezing of water bodies including the famous Dal Lake here as well as the water supply lines in several parts of the valley.

The chances of snowfall are the most frequent and maximum during this period and most areas, especially in the higher reaches, receive heavy to very heavy snowfall.

The 'Chilla-i-Kalan' will end on January 31, but the cold wave continues even after that in Kashmir with a 20-day-long 'Chillai-Khurd' (small cold) and a 10-day-long 'Chillai-Bachha' (baby cold).

Bail denied in...

caught fire but his brothers and children extinguished the fire. He further told that he is having dispute regarding land with one Karan Singh and started construction of house on October 6, 2021 but Karan Singh got a stay from Court and on October 20, 2021 police provided them copy of stay order. The accused Karan Singh used to threaten them daily that he will make their life miserable. He also threatened them in front of the police. The victim further said that he is not having a house and due to this, he tried to commit suicide. On January 6, 2022 the injured person Dilawar Singh also succumbed to injuries and thereafter FIR No: 12/2021 under section 306 of IPC was registered at Police Station Nagrota and subsequently vide DPO Jammu order No: CRB/2022/838-40/DPOJ dated January 6, 2022, a SIT under the supervision of SP (Rural) Jammu was constituted for investigating the case.

Principal Sessions Judge Jammu Kishore Kumar after hearing Public Prosecutor Kulbushan Sharma appearing for police observed that by the act of accused victim Dilawar Singh and his wife Purna Devi lost their lives and family of victim become orphan as there is no body to look after children of victim. "Release of the accused at this stage will be opposed to the cause of public justice as there is likelihood of accused to influence the witnesses, as the challan against the accused is yet to be filed. With these observations," the Court observed and dismissed the bail application.

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Meanwhile, officers from Police Station Budgam intercepted two suspects at a checkpoint established at Bathar. During search, 335 gm Charas was recovered from their possession. The accused, identified as Gulzar Ahmed Paul, son of Abdul Rehman Paul and Nisar Ahmad Dar, son of Abdul Rehman Dar, both residents of Narkara Budgam, were arrested and shifted to Police Station where they remained in custody. Accordingly, cases under relevant sections of law were registered at respective police stations and investigations started.

Drug peddler, 4 gamblers arrested in Baramulla

STATE TIMES NEWS

BARAMULLA: Acting tough against social crimes, Police on Saturday arrested a drug peddler in Baramulla and recovered contraband substance from his possession. Besides, 4 gamblers were also and stake money was seized from them. As per details, officers at a checkpoint established under jurisdiction of Police Station Pattiyan arrested a drug peddler, identified as Sayar Ahmad Bhat, son of Ab Rahman Bhat, resident of Wagam, Pulwama and recovered 20 gm Brown Sugar from his possession. He was arrested and shifted to police station where he remained in custody. Meanwhile acting on specific information, a party from Police Station Baramulla raided a gambling site at Binner and apprehended 4 gamblers. Police also seized stake money amounting to Rs 9,900 and playing cards from gamblers. They were arrested and shifted to police station where they remained in custody. Accordingly, cases under relevant sections of law were registered in respective Police Stations and investigations started.

Two narco smugglers held with 13.90 Kg poppy straw

STATE TIMES NEWS

RAMBAN: Tightening noose over narcotics smugglers under Operation Sanjeevani, police foiled a narcotics smuggling bid at Ramban. During routine Naka checking of vehicles near Shaan Palace Ramban, a party from Police Station Ramban intercepted an Activa Scooty (PB91-G-7533) for checking which was moving from Kashmir towards Punjab with two persons, who were identified as Labh Singh, son of Sathan Singh, resident of Patya Colony, Gali No.1 Gagandeep, Ludhiana and Raghbir Singh, son of Gurnam Singh, resident of Pind Payal, Ludhiana. During search, 13 Kg 90 gm Poppy Straw like substance was recovered from their possession. The accused were arrested on the spot and vehicle was also seized. FIR No 26/2022 under sections 8/15/29 of NDPS Act was registered at Police Station Ramban and investigation started. The overall recovery and arrest was made by police party led by Insp Sandeep Charak, SHO Ramban under supervision of Pardeep Singh Sen, DySP Hqrs Ramban and overall supervision of Mohita Sharma, SSP Ramban.

Drug-peddler arrested with heroin

STATE TIMES NEWS

MENDHIER: Continuing its war to contain spread of drugs and psychotropic substances, Mendhier police on Saturday arrested a drug-peddler and recovered 20 gm heroin from his possession.

As per details, one Zaheer Ahmed @ Patti, son of Mir Mohd, resident of Gohlad Mendhier was nabbed by Police along with 20 gm heroin. FIR no.13/2022 under sections 8/21/22 of NDPS Act was registered at Police Station Mendhier. The recovery was made by PSI Sunil Sharma under supervision of SHO Mendhier Insp Manzoor Kohli and SDPO Mendhier DySP Sheezan Bhat.

4 drug peddlers arrested, contraband recovered

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Continuing its efforts to eradicate menace of drugs from society, Police on Saturday arrested four drug peddlers in Kulgam and Budgam and recovered contraband substance from their possession.

As per details, officers established a checkpoint established near Kund gate of Qazigund area in Kulgam and intercepted a person roaming in suspicious condi-

tions. He was identified as Ajiaz Ahmad Bhat, son of Ab Sattar Bhat, resident of Khargund Qazigund. During checking, officers recovered 10 gm Brown Sugar from his possession. He was arrested and shifted to police station where he remained in custody.

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10 bovines rescued; 2 vehicles seized

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRAMBIA: District Police Samba on Saturday successfully foiled two attempts to smuggle bovines by rescuing 10 bovines under jurisdiction of Police Station Ghagwal. Acting on reliable information regarding smuggling of bovines, a party from Police

Man detained with...

produce any valid document of weapon. The weapon was seized and he was taken into custody for questioning," said official, adding that FIR No. 08/2022 under relevant sections of law was registered at Police Station Chatroo and further investigation is going on.

JSCL to develop...

directed officials to complete the project within the stipulated time frame.

Authorised signatory of M/S RSB Projects Limited, Suresh Gupta assured the completion of project before deadline.

The 23 junctions where these facilities are being developed are Shakuntala, Satwari, Mian Dido, Karan Nagar, Prasar Bharti, CPO, Prem Nagar, Gujjar Nagar, District Jail, Vivekanand, Indira Junction, Rehbari Junction, Kachi Chawni, DC office Junction, Gummat Junction, Upper Muthi, J&K Bank Head office junction, Panama Junction, Trikuta Nagar Junction, Power Grid office, Gangyal Junction, Jeevan Nagar Junction and Shaurya Motor Junction.

Similarly, the smart traffic booths will be installed at 25 different locations across the city with an objective to provide better working conditions to traffic personnel.

In the first phase the smart traffic booths will be established at 25 different locations across the City. These locations have been identified in consultations with Traffic police at strategically important and critical junctions for smooth traffic movement.

The smart traffic booths will be equipped with modern facilities and will be able to maintain pleasant temperature inside according to weather conditions. The booths will also have single unit prefabricated toilet facility.

Speaking on the occasion, CEO, JSCL, Avny Lavasa said that these smart traffic booths are equipped with proper sitting arrangements as well as with other facilities to enable Traffic cops to deliver their duties with more dedication. She also directed the project executing agency to set up booths in the stipulated time frame.

The locations identified for establishing traffic booths are Shastri Nagar-Satwari Road Point, Last Morth Gandhi Nagar, Gandhi Nagar Hospital Turning, Greater Kailash NHW, Billol Bridge- Purmandal Turning point, Channi Himmat Central Lane 3, Sidhra Matadoor Stand, Narwal Petrol Pump, Qasim Nagar Chowk Bye Pass point, Sainik Colony Crossing on NHW, Sunjwan Chowk, 4th Tawi Bridge, Bakshi Nagar Pulli, BSF Paloura Chowk, Bagwati Nagar 4th Bridge Rotary, Jewel Chowk, Kaechi Chowani Chowk, Roop Nagar near P/S Janipur, Gole Pulli Talab Tiloo, Sidhra Minibus stop Terminal Panjthirthi, Rehbari Chowk, Roop Nagar, Janipur, Sabzi Mandi Chowk, Janipur, Women College, PCR Lane Junction and AG office Chowk.

TET case: IAS...

as many as 7,800 TET-2020 candidates were allegedly manipulated in exchange of money.

Earlier, 12 persons, including Tukaram Supe, Commissioner (now suspended) of the Maharashtra State Council of Examinations (MSCE), were arrested in connection with the alleged tampering of the TET results. Pritesh Deshmukh, director of G A Software firm, which was responsible for conducting the exam, and Abhishek Sawarkar, a consultant with the education department, are also among those arrested.

Over Rs 4 crore in cash, gold ornaments and other documents related to the fixed deposits had been recovered in the case in the past, police have said.

R-Day celebrations...

contingents of schools (Boys and Girls), Ex-Servicemen, Bharat Scouts & Guides (Boys & Girls), and cultural performers.

Beating Retreat ceremony was concluded with ever-popular 'Saare Jahan Se Achha' with simultaneous display of spectacular fireworks followed by the National Anthem.

Major Jammu Municipal Corporation Chairperson DDC Jammu; Member of Parliament; Chief Secretary; Additional Chief Secretaries; Advocate General; DGP; Divisional Commissioner Jammu; ADGP Jammu; Deputy Mayor JMC; elected representatives of ULBs and PRIs; former Legislators; Administrative Secretaries; senior Civil, Police, and Army officers; political and social activists; prominent citizens from all walks of life; media persons and the citizenry in large number witnessed the traditional grandeur.

Station Ghagwal established a random check-point near Nonath Ashram, NHW Ghagwal and signaled a Mahindra vehicle without registration number to stop for checking. But instead of stopping vehicle, the driver accelerated the speed and crossed check-point. The alert Naka party successfully chased the vehicle and intercepted it a few meters away but driver managed to escape from spot taking advantage of darkness. On checking of vehicle, 5 bovines were found inside it, which were rescued. FIR No. 14/2022 under section 188 of IPC, 11 of PCA Act was registered at Police Station Ghagwal and investigation started. The vehicle was also seized on the spot. In another incident, the party from Police Station Ghagwal rescued 5 bovines near Nonath Ashram, NHW Ghagwal which were being transported in a vehicle without any registration number. FIR No. 15/2022 under section 188 of IPC, 11 of PCA Act was registered at Police Station Ghagwal and investigation started.

180 lts Lahan destroyed, 5 lts illicit liquor seized

STATE TIMES NEWS

KISHWAR: In its drive against consumption/production of illicit liquor in the district, Kishtwar Police destroyed 180 lts of Lahan and seized 5 lts Desi liquor on Saturday.

As per details, a party from Police Station Chatroo led by SHO Insp Parvaiz Khanay, after receiving specific information regarding sale and production of illicit liquor at Nanzala Sigdi area of Chatroo, raided a suspected location but accused, on noticing Police party fled from the spot. Police recovered 5 lts illicit Desi liquor along with 180 lts of Lahan,