Air surcharge 50 paisa for Leh

J&K teams leave for 44th Sub-Junior

Mayor Jammu reviews Solid Waste Management; UU modalities for dev of Heritage Trail in City

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Pak agencies trying to smuggle narcotic substances into J&K in large quantities: DGP 'Terrorists issuing threats to keep fear factor alive'

JAMMU: Pakistani agencies are trying to smuggle narcotic substances into Jammu and Kashmir in large quantities and the police has taken various counter measures to deal with the challenge, DGP Dilbag Singh said on Saturday.

He said 1,693 cases were Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act. 173 peddlers were taken into preventive custody under the Public Safety Act (PSA) and 91 others were detained under prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (PITNDPS) Act during the year 2022.

"Pakistani agencies are trying to smuggle drugs into J-K in large quantities but we have taken numerous measures to counter the challenge.



DGP Dilbag Singh briefing media in Jammu on Saturday.

They are using smugglers, touts and even drones to push the narcotic substances into this side," Singh told reporters here.

A total of 1.693 cases under NDPS were registered this year which is more than 130 compared to the last year, the Director General of Police said.

"A total of 212 kgs heroin, 383 kgs charas, 12 kgs brown sugar, 215 kgs ganja

to renew our resolve to

strive for inclusive develop-

quantities of synthetic and other drugs in 2022.

> lakh in cash was also seized. It is in addition to the cash seized in Udhampur which is under investigation of the anti-terror Investigation Agency," he said. Over 1.91 crore cash

> was recovered from a car ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

Hints at legal action against Sallahuddin, other terrorists

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir's Director General of Police (DGP) Dilbag Singh hinted on Saturday that action could be taken against Sved Sallahuddin, the Pakistan-based supreme commander of the Hizbul Mujahideen terror group, and said dossiers have been prepared of almost all the local terrorists operating from across the border.

He dismissed People's Democratic Party (PDP) president Mehbooba Mufti's remarks that hundreds of youngsters are languishing in jails as draconian anti-terror laws, such as the UAPA, are slapped ruthlessly in Kashmir on "flimsy and trivial grounds", saying it is a ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

56 Pakistanis among 186 terrorists killed, 159 arrested in 2022

JAMMU/SRINAGAR: The Jammu and Kashmir Police on Saturday said 56 Pakistani nationals were among 186 terrorists killed in the Union territory in 2022 and sounded a note of caution over online terrorism propagated by the neighbouring country, including the spread of fake news.

In Jammu, police chief Dilbag Singh told reporters that a total of 186 terrorists were killed and 159 arrested in 2022 which proved to be the "most successful" in recent years. He added that security agencies were moving in the right direction to achieve "zero terror" activities in J-K. Singh, during his year-end presser, also said that

Ties with China 'not normal' as India will not agree to any attempt to change LAC unilaterally: Jaishankar mise on the core issue" of



STATE TIMES NEWS NICOSIA: India will not

agree to any attempt to change the Line of Actual Control (LAC) unilaterally by China, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has said, as he underlined that New Delhi's relations with Beijing are "not normal" and there would be no compromise on core issues

Addressing the Indian community in Cyprus on Friday during his first official visit to this Mediterranean coun-

try, Jaishankar, in a veiled attack on Pakistan, also said that terrorism cannot be used as a tool to force India to the negotiating table.

Jaishankar said India has challenges on its borders, which intensified during the Covid period. "Today the state of our rela-

tions with China is not very normal because we will never agree to any attempt to change the Line of Actual Control unilaterally," he said. There will be no "compro-

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Jammu and

Kashmir Police achieved

"100 per cent success" in

ensuring peace and stability

in the Valley in 2022 but

Pakistan-sponsored online

terrorism is a challenge now,

a senior officer said on

Over two dozen boys have

Additional

Saturday.

for the overall development of bilateral ties. The two countries have

held 17 rounds of talks

Achieved '100 pc success' in ensuring peace, Pak-sponsored online terror a

challenge: Kashmir ADGP

national security, Jaishankar

Indian and Chinese troops

clashed along the Line of

Actual Control (LAC) in the

Tawang sector of Arunachal

Pradesh on December 9 and

the face-off resulted in

"minor injuries to a few personnel from both sides",

according to the Indian

It is the first major clash between the Indian and

Chinese armies since the

fierce face-off in the Galwan

Valley in June 2020 that

marked the most serious mil-

itary conflict between the two

The ties between the two

countries froze since then

with India making it clear

that peace and tranquillity at

the border is the sine qua non

sides in decades.

asserted.

Army.

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LG greets people on New Year

■ STATE TIMES NEWS upon the year gone by and

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha has greeted the people on the eve of the New Year 2023.



said: warmest greetings and good wishes to all on the joyous

occasion of New Year. J&K Bank raises Rs 1000 crore

capital as Tier-II Bonds **STATE TIMES NEWS**

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Bank on Saturday said it has raised Rs 1,021 crore as Tier-II bonds from the market as part of its

"The issue was oversubscribed by more than 100 per cent," J K Bank MD & CEO Baldev Prakash said. "It will not only help boost

efforts to strengthen its cap-

ital position.

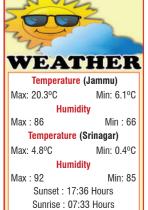
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Kashmir already special; doesn't need any special legal status: Kerala Guv STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Kashmir has so many special things and qualities that it does not need any special position under the law, Kerala Governor Arif Mohammad Khan said here on Saturday Khan was the chief guest at a Sufi Conference organised at SKICC here.

He said the sense of equality in the world today is

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ment and to maintain the impetus towards higher ecogrowth,

social development overall progress of the society in the year ahead".

"We are determined to redouble our efforts for rapid growth, economic security and prosperity to meet the aspirations of the people. Let us work together to take J&K UT to

new heights of achievement. May the year 2023 bring prosperity, good health and happiness to all", said the

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Jammu and

Kashmir Police has attached

a property belonging to a

Pulwama resident whose

sons were arrested for

allegedly harbouring two ter-

rorists, an official spokesper-

The divisional commission-

approval for the attachment

of the property on December

On May 30 this year, police

in Awantipora area of south

Kashmir's Pulwama district

received information regard-

ing the presence of terrorists

in the house of Jahangir

Ahmad Lone and Umar

Shafi Lone, residents of

Kashmir, granted

son said on Saturday.

1, he said.

and 10,746 kgs poppy straw were seized, besides huge

"In addition, over Rs 60 State

CJM rejects bail plea of CMO BSF in SI recruitment scam

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: CJM Jammu Anjum Ara rejected the bail application of Dr. Karnail Singh then posted in Border Force, Security Paloura, Headquarter, Jammu as Chief Medical Officer/Selection Grade/Commandant Medical in the Border Security Force in much publicized SI Paper Leakage Scam.

Wall of terrorist's house

demolished in Anantnag

Srinagar: An extended por-

tion of the house of a Hizbul

Mujahideen (HM) terrorist

Anantnag, officials here said

According to authorities,

Ghulam Nabi Khan alias

Amir Khan had a wall built

on encroached land as an

extension to his house in

Rajpora,

spokesperson said. A cordon

and search operation was

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Lider Pahalgam in the

launched and as the

demolished

While rejecting the bail application, CJM Jammu Anjum Ara observed that the bail application of applicant had been dismissed by High court on 30-11-2022 and the instant application has been filed on 06-12-2022. There is no change in circumstances except presentation of charge sheet which too was filed on

Police attaches property of father of

two arrested for sheltering terrorists

was

on Saturday.

12-112022. However investigation with regard to larger conspiracy and other aspect is still underway, the accused is the main accused in the case and it has come in the evidence that he has earlier also tried to influence the witnesses and was not cooperating with investigating agency, as such if the applicant/accused is enlarged on bail, there is every possibility that he may temper with the evidence, influence the witnesses and may also jump over the bail. After considering the rival arguments and the facts and circumstances of the case, the accused is not found entitled for any leniency of bail at this stage for the reasons viz; he has played a key role in crimiconspiracy with other

STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: The National

Investigation Agency (NIA)

registered an "all-time high"

of 73 cases in 2022 even as it

is working to undertake a

approach to dismantle the

terrorist networks that aim

to harm India, officials said

They also said that the

agency was "pressing on the

pedal" to get extradited

gangster Goldy Brar, the

prime accused in the murder

of Punjabi singer Sidhu

There were reports of his

detention in the US recently

but agency sources said those

"whole

Saturday.

of ecosystem"

persons; he is involved in serious economic offence; he is habitual offender involved in other similar case; his role in larger conspiracy is yet to be investigated, further investigation of the case is still going on; the accused being a senior BSF official and highly influential can temper with evidence and hamper/frustrate further investigation, and the involvement of many more accused is yet to be ascertained by the investigating agency as such the release of accused at this stage will hamper the investigation. More so his earlier bail application has already been rejected by High Court of J & K and Ladakh Jammu on 30-11-2022. In such circumstances, the accused person

NIA registers 'all-time high' 73

terror cases in 2022: Official data

were "unconfirmed" reports.

An Interpol arrest warrant

is alive against him, and his

visa in Canada has expired.

Efforts are on to get him

The federal anti-terrorist

investigation agency has

released the year-end figures

of its action saving the cases

filed by it under the provi-

sions of the Unlawful

Activities Prevention Act

(UAPA) and some other IPC

sections covered a spectrum

of crimes, including 'Jihadi

terror', gangster-terror-drug

smugglers nexus, terrorist

funding, and FIRs against

the now banned Islamic

back to India to face the law,

they said.

who is involved in such serious and economic offences cannot claim bail at this stage. The present case falls under the exceptional cases where judicial discretion cannot be exercised in favour of accused person. The case law referred by Learned counsel for applicant is not applicable in present circumstances of the case. Viewed thus for what has

been observed above, keeping in view the nature of the offence, the facts and circumstances of the case, the larger interest of public/state and the case law relied upon by the non-applicant/CBI, the accused is not found entitled for bail at this Accordingly the application in hand is rejected as no case for

organisation PFI or the

"The NIA has registered 73

cases in 2022 which is a

19.67 per cent increase from

the 61 cases registered in

2021 and is an all-time high

for the agency," a spokesper-

On average, about 60 cases

were filed by the agency in

2019 and 2020, officials

Bihar,

Assam,

Pradesh.

Rajasthan, Tamil

son for the agency said.

Popular Front of India.

been brought back to the mainstream and all but two chiefs and top commanders of terror outfits have been neutralised, Director General of Police, Kashmir, Vijay Kumar said

stage.

in a series of tweets. There were no hartals, street violence, internet shutdown, funeral processions of

terrorists, glamorising of terrorists and stone pelting inciespecially encounter sites, and this benefitted all sections of society, he said.

"On L&O (law and order) front, we have achieved 100% success in peace & stability. From 2897 cases of L&O incidents in 2016 to 26 minor cases in 2022. No civilian lost life in firing while handling L&O problems in last more than 3 years," the ADGP said.

He said the security forces made major gains on the anti-terrorist operations front this year. "All Chiefs & Top Commanders of

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Search operations conducted along IB in Samba, Rajouri

STATE TIMES NEWS

SAMBA/JAMMU: Police and security forces on Saturday conducted a search operation in several forward villages along International Border in Samba district, a police officer said.

Deputy Superintendent of Police (Operations-Samba) G R Bhardwaj said the focus

of the search operation was to look for any underground tunnel and create public awareness about drones being used to smuggle weapons from across the bor-

search operation The comes in the wake of a recent gunfight in Sidhra bypass area in Jammu that left

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■ CONTD ON PAGE 9 DGP's Commendation Medal announced; 641 Police, SF officer/personnel awarded

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Director General of Police (DGP) Dilbag Singh has awarded DGP's Commendation Medal and Certificate, in favour of 542Police personnel/SPOs, Army/BSF/ CRPF/ ITBP/ SSB officers/personnel, and 04 civil officers/officials for meritorious and exemplary performance ren-

dered by them during 2022. The DGP J&K in his message has congratulated these awardees and hoped that they will continue to work with the same zeal & zest in future as well.

Those SsP/Dy.SsP who have been awarded are SP Lakshay Sharma. SP











Sandeep Gupta, SP Nikhil Borkar, SP Tanushree, SP Mohita Sharma, SP Zahoor Ahmad Wani SP Mohd Rafi Giri, DySP(S) Peer Abdul Haq, DySP Anu Kumar, DySP Abdul Aziz, DySP Sved Ahmad Badhana, DySP Jatinder Singh, DySP Satvinder Singh, DySP

Farooq Ahmad Wani, DySP

Paul, DySPBashir Ahmad, DySP Gh. Mohd Bhat, DySP Peerzada Aijaz Ahmad, DySP Prithpal

DySPUmmerSingh.

DySP Ravinder Rashid. Singh, DySP Abdul Raqeeb, Tariq Mahmood, DySP Owais Ahmad, DySP

DySP Kosheen Koul, DySP Mehraj-ud-Din Raina, DySP **DGP** congratulates awardees Naseem, DySP Amara Parupkar Singh, DySP Syed

Sleet Shah, DySP Bhishm

DySP

Aadil

Dubey,

Mushtag

Singh, DySP Abdul Gafoor,

Lone, Insrp.(M) Mohd Shafi Khan, Inspr. Dhiraj Nugyal, Inspr. Muzaffar Ahmad, Inspr(M)Mahjabeena Akhter, Inspr. Ravinder Singh, Inspr. Bilal

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