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The Lt Governor said the UT Administration is always committed to serve the people with complete dedication and to resolve their issues promptly. He also lauded the endeavours of Srinagar Smart City Limited and Municipal Corporation for transforming Srinagar City into a prime example of urban transformation. He said the massive and first of its kind New Year celebration at Lal Chowk to welcome the year 2024 and the festivities till late night is indication of positive change in people's lives and restoration of Kashmir's ancient glory.

The Lt Governor administered 'Hamara Sankalp Viksit Bharat' pledge to officials and the citizens. He visited the stalls put up by different departments and handed over the sanction letters and benefits to beneficiaries under various

Beneficiaries also shared their experiences and succes stories on the occasion.

Vidhi Kumar Birdi, IGP Kashmir; Vijay Kumar Bidhuri Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir; Sujit Kumar, DIG CKR Srinagar; Mohammad Aijaz, Deputy Commissioner Srinagar; Athar Aamir Khan, CEO Srinagar Smart City Limited; senior officers of police and civil administration and people in large number were present.

Couple, child die...

time recovering the bodies, he said.

The deceased have been identified as Zahid Ahmad (27) of Balmatkote village of Mahore, his wife Sayra Akhte (26) and their three-month-old baby, Singh said.

Irfan Ahmad, a resident of Deval village of Mahore, was injured. He has been admitted to a hospital, where his condition is stated to be critical, the SHO said.

Weapons seizure case...

of the LeT, it added. The case is connected to a larger conspiracy related to drone-dropping of weapons and money by a Pakistan-based module operating in J&K, the

The kingpin in the case, Faisal Muneer, was earlier arrested and charge-sheeted by the NIA, which found him to be involved in receiving weapon consignments sent from across the border by Sajjad Gul alias Hamza, the state-

The NIA said that after receiving the weapons, Muneer used to deliver them in Srinagar to Ganaie, who further distributed them to active cadres or terrorists of the TRI to carry out targeted killings to spread terror.

"The accused were also engaged in radicalising, motivating and instigating vulnerable youth to join TRF or LeT and other terror outfits in Kashmir.

"Besides arms and ammunition, NIA investigators had recovered several incriminating materials, including chats about terror funds, from the mobile phones of the accused persons." the agency said.

The NIA has established that the accused had been car rying out terrorist activities for a long time, thereby threat ening the security, integrity and sovereignty of India, it

The agency had taken over the case initially registered by the Chanapora police station in May 2022 and re-registered it at the NIA's Jammu branch office on June 18

The NIA intends to intensify its efforts to dismantle all terror networks and demolish their support infrastructure by attaching and seizing their properties in the coming days, the statement said.

Nadda in J&K...

Jugal Kishore Sharma -- who have won Udhampur and Jammu seats twice for the party, respectively. The leader quoted above said the meeting is likely to finalise the party's candidates for the Lok Sabha elections based on an internal survey report which was recently submitted to Nadda and Home Minister Amit Shah.

strategy to counter the INDIA bloc which has hinted of outting up joint candidates against the BJP, he said. The meeting will also discuss Prime Minister Narendra

The focus of the meeting would be to finalise the party

Modi's visit to Jammu and Kashmir later this month or in early February, the leader said.

He said Nadda is also scheduled to hold a separate meet ing with J&K BJP president and General Secretary Organisation) Ashok Koul before returning to Delhi

Hum Sab PM...

while none of the 54 AAP candidates managed to save deposits in the 90 member legislative assembly of Chattisgarh. In these three states, AAP didn't win even a single seat. The party got less votes than NOTA. Kejriwal is currently struggling to remain out of jail for alleged acts of omission and commission.

In such a scenario, the INDI Alliance allies are convinced that facing the Modi juggernaut in 2024 will be no less a nightmare. Their primary thrust, therefore, is to retain what ever they had got in the 2019 to save the face and the future of governments in their respective states. This is the motivation for Mamata to cut the Congress to size by sabotaging every attempt of 'unity'. Trinamool Congress is on a slippery wicket in West Bengal having won 22 Lok Sabha seats in 2019 general elections against whooping 18 by the BJP and just 2 by the Congress. Communists drew blank in those elec tions. Facing tough challenge by the BJP, Mamata will not be in a position to share seats with the alliance partners, which is why Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha and senior Congress leader Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury is using choicest invectives against the ruling Trinamool leaders in Kolkata The position with the AAP is no different. Having won none of the seven seats in Delhi and just one out 13 in Punjab during 2019 polls, AAP hopes to reap more seats after making a big in the assembly elections and forming the government. AAP has made its plans open not to share seats with the alliance partners, least with the grand old party, as Bhagwat Mann keeps mocking, saying that mothers will be telling their children one day, "Ek Thi Congress"

Akhilesh Yadav-Kamalnath spat during Madhya Pradesh assembly elections has created a deep wedge between the Congress and the Samaiwadi Party and later is in no mood to have state sharing in Uttar Pradesh.

BSP wants to align with the INDI Alliance only if Mayawati is declared as the PM face in 2024. Kashmir's PDP and the NC have just the value of cheer-leaders. The two parties want to remain glued to the INDI Alliance to rear whatever they can in case Modi is defeated, which, of course remains their primary agenda.

The Congress scions Rahul and Priyanka were bowled out by Mamata Banerjee with the 'limited over match' beginning in December by proposing Kharge

Kejriwal had readily and immediately seconded, perhaps as per the strategy evolved by the two chief ministers a day ahead in the national capital. This left the Congress president sulking with the prospect of High Command, say Gandhis getting annoyed. In the backdrop of arm twisting and playing hide and seek, the deadline of reaching a seat sharing formula by INDI Alliance has just elapsed without anything tangible in sight.

Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra gaining momentum across Jammu Division



Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra unleashes Developmental Cadence across Kathua

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KATHUA: The Bharat Sankalp Yatra, a transformativejourney aimed at empowering individuals across the nation, unfolded a remarkable chapter in Kathua. In the picturesque town Vandana, a determined resident of Barwal. Kathua found her path illuminated by the Umeed scheme of NRLM, turning her dreams of entrepreneurial success into reality.

Facing the challenges of limited resources and opportunities, Vandhana's aspirations gained momentum when she discovered the Umeed scheme. Eager to make a difference, she formed the 'Chintpurni' selfhelp group with like-minded women from her community. Registering with the Umeed scheme opened doors to financial support and training, marking the inception of a journey from threads to entrepreneurial triumph.

group initially embarked on the journey of making and selling clothes in the local market. As their skills and experience grew, they diversified their product range, expanding into other garments that quickly gained popularity. The success story of Chintpurni caught the attention of the local media, earning Vandana a spot in the Meri Kahani Meri Zubani segment of the ongoing Viksit Bharat Sankalp

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Jammu Crime Branch said.

Yatra.

Vandana, a beacon of inspiration, emphasized the pivotal role of women empowerment schemes in enabling women to become self-reliant and successful entrepreneurs. Her journey became an integral part of the ongoing Yatra, showcasing the transformative power of initiatives aimed at uplifting

In 2018, Vandana assumed the role of the head of the Chintpurni Women Self Help Group, nurtured under the Umeed scheme of NRLM. With essential resources provided by the NRLM team, including sewing machines and other equipment, the group's modest tailoring initiative blossomed into the flourishing Chintpurni Boutique. Vandana, the dynamic president of the group, expressed profound gratitude to the NRLM team for their unwavering support. turning their skills into a sustainable enterprise.

Vandana's success story is a testament to the empowering wings of the Umeed scheme She credits the initiative for elevating not just her group but also women across the nation. In her heartfelt narrative, she extends thanks to the Prime Minister for steering initiatives that enable women to lead dignified lives. The Chintpurni success story resonates as a beacon of empowerment through skill

Two Punjab bookies held for

Rs 1.6 Cr embezzlement

JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir Police Crime Branch has arrested two brothers from

Punjab for alleged embezzlement of over Rs 1.6 crore from a government department here

The accused bookies -- Jatin alias "Raja" and Jatinder alias "Poot" -- who were evading arrest

for the last four years were arrested from the Mukerian area of Punjab, a spokesperson of the

They were allegedly involved in an inter-state bookie business and siphoned the revenue col-

neurship, illustrating the transformative impact of initiatives like the Umeed scheme in building a Viksit Bharat.

The ongoing Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra is traversing across rural and urban areas of Kathua district, paving the way for progress and development. This unique Yatra not only creates awareness about the welfare schemes of the government but also serves as a platform for beneficiaries to share their life-transforming stories through the popular segment "Meri Kahani Meri Zubani"

The Yatra, undertaken with great enthusiasm, focuses on

through the picturesque areas of Basohli. The Yatra, with great enthusiasm and fervor, covered various neighborhoods and localities, engaging with the residents and spreading awareness about the government's wel-

instrumental role in disseminating information about the schemes, ensuring that the citizens of Basohli are wellinformed and empowered to take advantage of the opportunities provided. Yatra's visit to Basohli reinforced the commitment towards inclusive development, leaving no stone unturned in reaching every



Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra inspires people of Rari, Smailpur in Samba district.

spreading awareness about the various welfare schemes initiated by the government. Through the use of Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) Vans. the Yatra reaches far and wide, ensuring that the citizens of Kathua are wellabout these informed schemes.

The IEC Vans are equipped with audio-visual aids, which enhance the dissemination of information. These vans visit various villages, towns, and cities, educating the residents about the benefits and provisions ofwelfare schemes.

During its Urban Leg today, the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra made its way

fare schemes. The IEC Vans played an

corner of the Kathua district.

The ongoing Yatra has become a catalyst for change, unleashing a developmental cadence across Kathua. It has shed light on the importance of government welfare

lies, and communities. "The Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra is a powerful tool for creating awareness and fostering a sense of pride in our national welfare schemes. It allows beneficiaries to actively participate and share their success stories, inspiring others to strive for similar achievements. We are determined to ensure that no one is left behind when it comes to development," says an inhabitant of Basohli.

schemes and their impact on

the lives of individuals, fami-

The Yatra continues to make significant progress, driving the message of progress, empowerment, and inclusivity to all corners of Kathua. With the commitment and dedication of the participants and the support of the local community, the Yatra is set to leave a lasting impact on the lives of countless individuals.

RAJOURI: Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra (VBSY) is momentum in gaining Rajouri, driving the implementation of various government schemes and bringing about comprehensive develop-

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ment in the district. This initiative aims to transform Rajouri by reaching underserved areas and ensuring the effective execution of government programs, thereby improving the lives of its residents.

To effectively communicate and create awareness about these initiatives. Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) van has been deployed as an essential part of the Yatra. This mobile communication platform has played a crucial role in engaging with local communities and equipping them with the necessary knowledge to benefit from government schemes.

The VBSY has achieved remarkable success in implementing various government schemes in Rajouri District. These schemes, designed to enhance the quality of life and provide essential services, have been executed with exceptional efficiency on the ground. As a result, the community has experienced tangible benefits and witnessed positive changes in their daily

Today, the VBSY IEC vans traveled through the panchayats of Treru Lower-B, Terayth, Harichuma, Khabbar Barmandal Broh. Som and Dhangiote West of Moughla and Kalakote block.

The impact of the Yatra can be seen in improved access to healthcare, education, and basic amenities, as well as the overall progress of Rajouri District. This initiative has journey in Rajouri District stands as an exemplary model of effective governance, community engagement, and collective determination to build a better and prosperous

SAMBA: The Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, an extensive outreach initiative, reached the Panchavat Rari and Smailpur of Bari Brahmana today amid enthusiastic response from the residents.

The campaign features an Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) Van that informs the public about various government schemes and shares a special message from Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The message outlines a visionary roadmap for Viksit Bharat by 2047, emphasizing inclusive participation from all stakeholders.

The campaign also included Health Checkup camps , distribution of Abhinandan Patras to Panchayats under JJM etc. Sankalp pledge was taken by all to encourage active participation in the nationwide campaign for a developed and empowered India.

The campaign has attracted people from all walks of life, who are eager to learn about the transformative vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister PRIs Narendra Modi. expressed gratitude for the overwhelming response, stating, "The success of Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra in panchayats of Bari Brahmana is a testament to the collective



Kalakote in Rajouri District during VBSY.

been meticulously planned and executed to align with the core objective of holistic development, leaving a lasting and positive impact on the community

The VBSY represents progress and collaboration, embodying the spirit of Viksit Bharat Sankalp. By bringing government schemes to the grassroots level and ensuring comprehensive coverage, it has created a platform for empowerment and upliftcommitment towards building a developed India by 2047. The active participation of people from diverse backgrounds is crucial for the success of this transformative journey."

The campaign continues to foster awareness, participation, and unity to achieve the vision of a developed India by 2047. The Yatra was attended by Ex minister Chander Prakash Ganga, PRIs and

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MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAY **NOTIFICATION** New Delhi, the 29th December, 2023

S.O. 27(E).- In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section 3A of the National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government, after being satisfied that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which is given in the Schedule below, is required for building idening/two lane with paved shoulder/four laning etc.), maintenance, management and operation of NH-NE5 in the stretch of land from Km. 515 to Km. 566.52 (Dc Office Jammu, Wazaratb Road Jammu) in the district of JAMMU in the state of JAMMU & KASHMIR, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land.

Any person interested in the said land may, within twenty-one days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, object to the use of such land for the aforesaid purpose under sub-section(1) of section 3C of the said Act.

Every such objection shall be made to the Competent Authority, namely, Deputy Commissioner Jammu writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the Competent Authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner, and may, after hearing all such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any, as the Competent Authority thinks necessary, by order, either

allow or disallow the objections. $Any\, order\, made\, by\, the\, Competent Authority\, under\, sub-section\, (2)\, of\, section\, 3C\, of\, the\, said\, Act\, shall\, be\, final\, act of the\, said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act\, shall\, be\, final\, constant act of the said\, act of the said\, act\, shall\, constant act of the said\, act of the said act of the said\, act of the said act$ The land plans and other details of the land to be acquired under their notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid office of the Competent Authority.

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Brief Description of the land to be acquired with or without structures falling NH-NE5 in the stretch of land from Km. 515 to Km. 566.52 (Dc Office Jammu, Wazarat Road Jammu) in the district of JAMMU in the state of JAMMU & KASHMIR



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ected by a cashier of the Jal Shakti department, the spokesperson said. A case was registered against the accused in 2020 following a complaint about embezzlement of Rs 1.64 crore out of the revenue collected as water charges in the city division, he added. The police earlier arrested Nikhil Gandral, the then cashier at the Jal Shakti office here, and

Inderpal Singh of Jammu and chargesheeted them in the case in March 2020. According to officials, the revenue collected by the sub-divisional staff was deposited at the division headquarters with the accused cashier for its further remittance into the government treasury. However, the cashier siphoned off Rs 1.64 crore and revealed that he had given the

money to bookie Jatin, on the assurance that he would get double the amount in return, they

Search operation in Poonch enters second day

MENDHAR: An anti-terrorist search operation along the Line of Control (LoC) in Mendhar sector of Jammu and Kashmir's Poonch district entered the second day on Saturday, officials said. The operation was launched in nearly a dozen forward villages in the forest area of Mankote and Mendhar on Friday following reports of suspicious movement, they said Intermittent gunfire was reported from Uchhad forest but it was later clarified that security forces had opened fire while clearing a natural cave, the officials said. The search operation vas underway when the last reports were received, they said.

Fire in PoK forest spreads to Indian side, security forces on alert

MENDHAR: A fire that broke out in a forest area in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir has spread to the Indian side and security forces are on alert to thwart any infiltration bid under the cover of the blaze, officials said on Saturday. The fire has spread to the forest area along the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu and Kashmir's Poonch district, they said. It broke out in Pakistanoccupied Kashmir (PoK) late Friday night and spread to the Balakote sector in the Mendhar sub-division, the officials said. They said an alert has been sounded along the LoC in view of the raging fire to ensure there is no attempt of infiltration by terrorists under the cover of the blaze. Army troops guarding the LoC are making efforts to put out the fire, the officials said

Narco smuggler nabbed with 25 gm heroin STATE TIMES NEWS

BISHNAH: Continuing its drive against drug trafficking and substance abuse, Bishnah Police on Saturday recovered 25 grams of heroin from one accused person.

As per details, a team of Police Station Bishnah led by SHO Bishnah while on Naka duty at Sikanderpur Kothey, near bricklin rounded up a suspected person later identified as Moho Bika alias Bikka Gujjer, son of Alam Din, resident of Sikanderpur Kothey on search, 25 grams of heroin was recovered from his possession. The accused was arrested and FIR No. 02/24

under sections 8/21/22 NDPS was registered against him at Police Station Bishnah. 10 loaded vehicles involved in illegal mining seized

KATHUA: As many as 10 loaded vehicles involved in illegal mining were seized by District Mineral Officer (DMO) Kathua Rajinder Singh Rana from different locations of district here today. The Geology and Mining department team headed by DMO conducted surprise raids at Barnoti, Ghatti, Marheen, Korepunnu, Rajibag and Taraf Tajwal areas. The team seized 4 dumpers and 6 tractor Trolleys and kept the same in the custody of police post till realization of penalty from the operators. During seizure it was found that 4 vehicles had lifted material from Uih river near four lane bridge without obtaining Forms-A from the department and were on their way towards Ghatti Industrial Estate, while six vehicles were transporting minerals without e-challans towards Samba and Punjab side. During a raid in Ravi River on the Punjab border, sand miners fled from the spot leaving behind 5 sand cleaning tools which were later handed over to police post Keedian Gandyal. While seizing Punjab based vehicles, some persons associated with mining mafia tried to attack a team of department at Gandial but police officials rushed from Kedian Gandial and chased away the crowd from the spot. The DMO informed that there are 19 mineral leases in the district for supplying material at fixed rates and over 25 stone crushers are operating for providing crushed minerals like sand, aggre gate, dust etc but despite this some violators turn towards illegal mining