

Crackdown on illegal mining, 7 vehicles seized

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JAMMU: In a drive against illegal mining and to tighten noose against the violators, Jammu Police has initiated strict action against the criminals involved in illegal mining & minting money out of the public resources.

In a surprise operation which was carried out in last few days at different locations in Rural zone of District Jammu. BPP Gajansoo seized four vehicles:- 02 Tipper bearing Reg.No. JK02DA/9480 loaded with Bajri & JK02CP/9318 loaded with Screened Sand. & Two dumpers bearing Regd.No.PB05AB-9660 and PB07BG/2360 found loaded with RBM without forms A.

PP Ponnichak seized 2 vehicles, one tractor bearing registration No. JK11A/2740 loaded with sand and one Tipper bearing registration number JK02BC/7595 loaded with sand without Forms A.

PP Sidhra seized one tractor trolley without number plate bearing chasis no MBNAK49AHRTE29565 loaded with sand without form A

After seizing of these vehicles District Mining Officer was informed for necessary legal actions. While giving the details SP RuralJammu, conveyed that Jammu Police is committed for protecting the public property and to eradicate the menace illegal mining in the area.

Woman fraudster arrested; stolen money garlands recovered

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POONCH: Police on Wednesday arrested a lady thief/fraudster and recovered stolen money garlands.

A written complaint was received from a shopkeeper, Mohd Naseeb, son of Mohd Shafi, resident of Kottan Mehndar, stating that while he was attending to customers at his grocery shop in the main market on January 12, 2025, unknown miscreants stole money garlands (haar) worth ₹10,000 from his shop.

Acting swiftly on the complaint, FIR No. 06/2025 U/S 331(3), 305 BNS was registered, and an investigation was launched.

During the investigation, a suspect, Rifat Yasmeen, daughter of Mohd Saghir, resident of Harooni Gursai, Tehsil Mendhar, was identified and subsequently arrested.

Upon her personal search, the stolen money garlands were recovered, along with five ATM cards in her possession.

Further interrogation revealed that the accused is a habitual ATM fraudster, known for duping unsuspecting customers unfamiliar with ATM operations in Mendhar and Surankote towns. She has been involved in multiple fraud cases and is wanted in various cases in other police stations, including PS Surankote. Further investigation is underway to uncover her involvement in other fraudulent activities.



Controversial Bhadarwah confession case solved, accused identified

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BHADARWAH: Controversial Bhaderwah confession case has been solved by police on Bhadarwah.

On January 8, 2025 a complaint was received at Police Station Bhaderwah where-in the complainant alleged that an anonymous Instagram account with the user-name _bhaderwahconfessionpage has been created by some mischievous elements using a fake email address in his name.

The said account is not only damaging the personal reputation but is also engaged in the character assassination of both boys and girls by spreading false and defamatory contents.

On this case FIR No.03/2025 was registered at Police Station Bhaderwah and investigation was entrusted to SDPO Bhaderwah.

During the course of investigation, hectic efforts were made in order to trace out the culprits. Technical support from Intermediaries like Meta, Google platform etc. was taken and with the help of technical assistance by ESU/Social Media Monitoring Cell of Doda, the person/s associated with the controversial account were identified and the case has been solved. Their technical gadgets have been seized for forensic analysis and further investigation is in progress.

Samba police arrests two bovine smugglers, rescues 19 bovines

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SAMBA: Continuing its drive against the bovine smugglers and their propagators, Samba Police has foiled bovine smuggling attempt, arrested two bovine smugglers and rescued nineteen bovines from the clutches of bovine smugglers in the jurisdiction of Police Station Ghagwal. The vehicle used for illegal transportation of bovines was also seized.

A Police team of Police Station Ghagwal while performing vehicle checking duty at naka NHW Tapyal, signaled to stop a truck bearing registration No. PB06N-8666

coming from Kathua side for checking. But the driver of the vehicle accelerated the speed endangering the life of police personnel on naka duty and hit the vehicle with naka road barrier causing damage to it.

The alert cops successfully intercepted the vehicle and during checking nineteen bovines were found inside the vehicle which were tied in a cruel manner and were being transported illegally without any valid permission.

The bovine smugglers identified as Showkat Ali, son of Shah Mohd and Umer Khan, son of Abdul Rehman both resident of Dera Baba tehsil & district Reasi have been arrested.

A case FIR No. 07/2025 u/s 223 BNS 11 PCA 3 PDPP Act, 50/52/54 Transport of Animals Rules has been registered at Police Station Ghagwal and investigation started.

Theft case worked out; accused arrested, stolen cash recovered

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SAMBA: Samba Police has worked out a theft case registered at Police Station Samba, arrested an accused and recovered stolen cash from his possession.

A written complaint was lodged at Police Station Samba by one Sanjay Gupta, son of Om Parkash, resident of Chack Manga, Samba regarding theft of cash of rupees 18000.00 from his godown.

Acting upon the complaint, a case FIR No. 13/2025 U/S 305 BNS was registered at Police Station Samba and investigation started.

During the course of investigation, a Police team of PS Samba after relentless efforts and meticulous investigation successfully apprehended the accused namely Mithlesh Singh, son of Mathu Singh, resident of Peeper Panti Bihar A/P Samba who upon sustained questioning confessed his involvement in the instant case. The stolen cash was recovered from his possession. Investigation of the case is going on.



Drug peddler arrested, 5.05 grams heroin recovered with cash

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SAMBA: Continuing its drive against drug smugglers/peddlers, Samba Police has arrested a drug peddler in the jurisdiction of Police Station Vijaypur and recovered 5.05 grams approximately heroin (chitta) like substance along with cash of rupees 5000.00 from his possession.

A Police party headed by SHO PS Vijaypur under the supervision of SDPO Vijaypur and under the overall supervision of SSP Samba during vehicle checking naka at NHW AIIMS Vijaypur, intercepted a tractor without registration No. coming from Rakh Barotian side and moving towards Vijaypur for its checking. During checking, 5.05 grams approximately heroin like substance and cash of rupees five thousand were recovered from the possession of driver.

The drug peddlers identified as Kagho, son of Shano, resident of Rakh Barotian tehsil Vijaypur district Samba has been arrested and contraband item has been seized. The tractor was also seized in the instant case.

A case FIR No. 07/2025 U/S 8/21/22 NDPS Act has been registered at PS Vijaypur and investigation started.



Unidentified male body found

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JAMMU: A unidentified male body has been found from Sunjwan area of Jammu on Wednesday.



Channi Himmat via DDR No. 12 dated 14/01/2025. Anyone with information that could help identify the individual to contact the SHO Channi Himmat 9419140807

As per details, On Jan 14, 2025 an unidentified body of an individual, approximately 65/70 years old, with a height of about 5'4" and a wheatish complexion, was found at Sunjwan Barneeni Tehsil Bahu District Jammu. The person was attired in a black jacket and black trousers. He was subsequently shifted to GMC Jammu, and his body was kept in GMC Mortuary. In light of the suspicious circumstances surrounding the death, inquest proceedings have been initiated under Section 194 BNSS at Police Post Chatta Police Station

or ICPP Chatta 7780948609.

Railway Police seizes Ganja worth Rs. 5 Lakh, accused held

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JAMMU: Railway Police (GRP) Jammu has recovered and seized 5 packets of Ganja like substance from the possession of one accused Daulal, son of Baratram Chandra, resident of Odekeri Baikunthpur Jaijapur Chanjgir Champa, Chhattisgarh at GRP Railway Station Bari Brahmana.

The seized contraband is worth market price Rs. 5 lakh. Accordingly, a case FIR number 01/2025 under section 08/20 NDPS Act has been registered at Police Station GRP Jammu & investigations initiated.



Police recovers Rs 5.50 lakhs, 19 smart phones in online financial frauds

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BANDIPORA: Police in Bandipora received multiple complaints from the general public regarding various financial frauds, missing/stolen mobile phones and other social media crimes.

Acting on these complaints, police achieved significant breakthrough by recovering and amount of Rs 5.50 Lakhs from the fraudsters accounts and the same was refunded to victims Bank Accounts after completion of all legal formalities.

Moreover, 19 missing/stolen smart phones worth 03 lakhs were also recovered and handed over to their owners after completion of necessary legal formalities. Recipients expressed their gratitude & appreciate police' relentless efforts in recovering their hard earned money and mobile phones.

4 drug peddlers arrested, contraband substances recovered

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SRINAGAR: In its solemn resolve against the menace of drugs from the society, Srinagar Police has arrested four drug peddlers and recovered contraband substances from their possession.

A police party from PS Panthachowk during naka checking at Zafraan Colony apprehended two individuals who have been identified as Furqan Majid Khan alias Kanda son of Majid resident of Kanipora and Sameer Hussain Dar so of Gh. Mohammad Dar resident of Chattergram. During their search, substantial quantity of narcotic substance was recovered from their possession.

Accordingly, case FIR No. 02/2025 U/S 8/21 NDPS Act has been registered in PS Panthachowk and both the accused persons have been arrested.

Similarly, during naka checking at Zawoor crossing, two chronic drug peddlers were arrested who were on board in a vehicle (Alto) bearing registration number JK16B-3205. They have been identified as Suhailji Bhat son of Abdul Rashid Bhat resident of Ganderbal and Ubaidullah Lone son of Ifhtikhar Ahmad Lone resident of Hanji Danter Anatnag A/P Naz colony Panthachowk. During search, substantial quantity of contraband substance was recovered from their possession. Accordingly, case under relevant sections of NDPS Act has been registered.

Further investigation into both the cases is going on to unearth illegal narcotics network.

Pertinent to mention here that Ubaidullah Lone is chronic and known drug supplier in the vicinity to supply it to the younger generation resulting destruction of the many lives. As per the initial investigation and questioning, the drug supplier transports the drug from outside UT to the local area, especially the youth.



Illicit timber recovered, case registered

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SOPORE: Police in Sopore have successfully recovered a consignment of illicit timber and seized a vehicle (tractor) within the jurisdiction of Police Station Sopore.

Acting on specific intelligence about the illegal extraction of willow timber logs from Forest Compartment No. 14, Janwara Nambal during the night of 13/14 January 2025. Acting swiftly, a police team from Police Post Warpora along with the Forest Department, established a checkpoint at Janwara and intercepted a vehicle (tractor) bearing registration No. JK05D-3984. During search, illicit willow timber cut from Forest Compartment No. 13, Janwara Nambal, was recovered from the said vehicle (tractor).

Accordingly, a case vide FIR No. 05/2025 under relevant sections of law has been registered at Police Station Sopore and further investigation is underway.

DC Reasi reviews progress of Delhi-Amritsar-Katra expressway



DC Reasi, Nidhi Malik taking stock of project.

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REASI: Deputy Commissioner Reasi, Nidhi Malik, conducted a comprehensive review of the Delhi-Amritsar-Katra Expressway along the Domail-Katra axis in District Reasi to assess progress and address key challenges hindering the project. During her visit, she inspected critical sites where structures, graveyards, and

schools were causing bottlenecks and directed concerned officials to resolve these hurdles swiftly to accelerate construction. Deputy Commissioner urged the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) to expedite the project of these issues to avoid delays. She also discussed various land compensation of beneficiaries and compensa-

tion for Additional land. She stressed the importance of removing bottlenecks and maintaining consistent progress, given the expressway's vital role in enhancing regional connectivity and boosting tourism and economic development.

Reaffirming the district administration's commitment, Nidhi Malik assured full cooperation with NHAI to ensure the timely completion of this landmark project. She emphasized that the expressway is not just a critical infrastructure project but also a catalyst for the socio-economic transformation of the region. ACR Anshumali Sharma, SDM Katra Piyush Dhotra , Project Director NHAI Anuj Kumar along with officials, DFO, CEO were also present.

77th Army Day celebrated in Bhaderwah, Commander 9 Sector inaugurates Sparsh Service Center

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BHADERWAH: To commemorate the 77th Army Day, Indian Army based at Bhaderwah celebrated the day with organising Ex-servicemen Meet in JK's Bhaderwah on Wednesday. A special redressal center was also inaugurated on the occasion.

On the solemn occasion, a function was organised by Rashtriya Rifles based at Bhaderwah, to pay homage to gallant soldiers who had made the supreme sacrifice in the line of duty.

The programme was held in presence of Commander 9 Sector RR Brigadier Sunil Mishra, CO 4RR Col Yogesh Chouhan and other senior officers.

The function in which, beside officers and Jawans of Rashtriya Rifles



Commander 9 Sector RR Brigadier Sunil Mishra addressing gathering during the programme.

Bhaderwah, ex-servicemen, family members of martyrs, Veer Naris and representatives from civil society participated was held at Army Headquarters Bhaderwah.

On the occasion, a Sparsh Service Cell was also inaugurated by the Commander 9 Sector to facilitate the Ex-Servicemen, Veer Naris and others for redressal of their grievances.

Commander 9 Sector RR Brigadier Sunil Mishra also interacted with Ex-servicemen, Veer Naris and locals.

He exhorted upon all ranks to uphold the saga of valour, sacrifice, duty and the highest traditions of the Indian Army.

He assured that every possible help will be extended for the welfare of Ex-

Workshop on e-Sakshya, e-Summon, MedLEaPR Apps conducted at DPL Poonch

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POONCH: A workshop for police officers, particularly Investigating Officers (IOs), CCTNS operators, and



Officials participating in workshop at DPL Poonch.

Families of Poonch District, was successfully conducted today at the Conference Hall, District Police Lines (DPL) Poonch. The workshop focused on the integration of key digital tools-e-Sakshya, e-Summon, and MedLEaPR to enhance efficiency, transparency, and

accuracy in police investigations under the New Criminal Laws. The workshop aimed to equip police officers-including Investigating Officers, Families, and CCTNS operators-with essential skills for digital crime scene evidence

management; ensure the efficient implementation of updated legal procedures for electronic summons and medico-legal documentation; streamline evidence handling to enhance transparency and operational efficiency.

This initiative reflects the commitment of Poonch Police to embracing digital innovations and enhancing operational efficiency in alignment with evolving legal frameworks. By integrating these advanced tools, investigations can be concluded in a time-bound manner, ensuring greater transparency and accountability in the policing system.

Workshop held on evidence handling in inquest proceedings

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SAMBA: Samba Police, in collaboration with AIIMS Vijaypur, Jammu, has organized a one-day workshop at the District Police Lines Samba focused on evidence handling in inquest proceedings.

The workshop saw participation from Gazetted Officers, SHOs, Investigating Officers and other officers/officers of Samba Police. The primary objective was to raise awareness and educate officers on the critical measures to be taken when handling dead bodies during investigations.



Dignitaries being honoured during the workshop at Samba.

The AIIMS Vijaypur team, led by Dr. Dinesh Rao (Incharge Forensic), along with Dr. VatunChandran and Harpreet Singh, provided valuable insights into essential protocols and procedures when dealing with

cases such as suicides, hangings, overdose fatalities, and inquest proceedings. The experts also discussed the precautions and steps for evidence collection in these cases.

During the programme, an interactive session was

also held in which queries from the participants were well addressed by the resource persons from AIIMS.

Speaking on the occasion, SSP Samba said that the aim of organizing such workshop is to bring more professionalism in investigations and to improve the skill set of officers handling such sensitive cases.

At the conclusion of the workshop, SSP Samba expressed gratitude to the AIIMS team and presented mementos to each member as a token of appreciation for their contribution to the workshop.

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