

Two missing women traced, re-united with families

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POONCH/SAMBA: Police on Thursday traced two missing women and reunited them with their families.

A missing report of a lady namely resident of Kalaban, Tehsil Mendhar, District Poonch was entered in PS Mendhar on Jan 11, 2025 and now she has been traced and re-united with her family.

Reports said that one lady gone missing and her missing report was entered at PS Mendhar

Soon after getting the information regarding her missing, Police swung into action and on the directions of SSP Poonch a team was constituted under SHO PS Mendhar for search of missing lady.

The Police team by using all possible means as well as technical help and after getting some clues about her presence in Dhargaloon area succeeded in tracing her within weeks time. Accordingly, after completing all codal formalities, the lady has been handed over to her family and missing report has been closed.

Samba Police also reunited a missing girl with her familyafter a report was lodged at Police PostSupwal under PS Samba.

The father of the missing girl, a resident of Ranipura Tehsil RajnagarChatarpur (MP), currently residing at Nanak Chak, Samba, lodged a written complaintat Police Post Supwalstating that his daughter had gone missing from home. Despite their best efforts, the family was unable to locate her.

Following the complaint, a missing report vide DD No. 12 dated 02.01.2025 was registered at Police Post Supwal and search started to trace out the said missing girl.

Through persistent efforts, the police team at PP Supwal successfully traced out the missing girl and after completing all necessary legal formalities, reunited her to her parents. Accordingly, the missing report has been closed.

Two theft cases solved; six arrested; stolen property worth Rs 5 lakh recovered

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KISHTWAR: In a significant achievement, District Police Kishtwar has solved two theft cases involving hardware and Kiryana items, arrested six accused, and recovered stolen property worth Rs 5 lakh from multiple locations.

On January 7, 2025, Police Station Kishtwar received a written complaint from Mohd Farooq, proprietor of M/s Shalimar Glass House, regarding the theft of geysers and other hardware items from his store. Acting on the complaint, FIR No. 09/2025 under sections 305/331(4) BNS was registered, the investigation initiated

Subsequently, on January 11, 2025, another complaint was lodged by Raman Gupta, son of Bodh Raj Gupta, resident of Shakti Nagar, Kishtwar, reporting the theft of kiriyana items from his shop. Accordingly, FIR No. 14/2025 under sections 331(4)/305 BNS was registered investigation initiated.

Acting promptly, SSP Kishtwar constituted a special investigation team led by SHO Police Station Kishtwar Leveraging a combination of technical inputs and meticulous investigation, the team identified and apprehended the main accused, Rahul Singh, S/o Mangal Singh, a resident of Kuleed Chowk, Kishtwar.

Following his disclosure, five other accomplices were arrested and thoroughly interrogated. The accused individuals have been identified as Rahul Singh, son of Mangal Singh, resident of Near TRC, Kishtwar; Abdul Hamid, son of Ghulam Nabi, resident of Melan, Kishtwar; Mohd Rafi, son of Ghulam Kadir, resident of Dhar, at present Drabshalla, Kishtwar; Abhishek Mahajan, son of Kewal Kishore, resident of Udhampur City, at present Thathri City, Doda; Irshad Ahmed, son of Late Mohd Hussain, resident of Thathri Market, Doda and Rajesh Kumar Gupta, son of Bodh Raj Gupta, resident of Kandani, Kishtwar. During sustained interrogation, the accused confessed to their involvement in the thefts and disclosed the locations where the stolen property was concealed. Acting on this information, the police team successfully recovered the stolen items worth ₹5 lakh.

35 missing mobile phones recovered, handed over to rightful owners

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JAMMU: ESU team of SP City North Jammu recovered 35 missing mobile phones, missing reports of these mobile phones were lodged by people in different Police Stations/Police Posts of City North Zone Jammu.

As the reports of missing mobile phones reached ESU Unit through concerned SHOs/ICPPs. Accordingly, ESU Unit of SP City North Zone Jammu were assigned the task of tracing out these missing mobile phones and with the sincere efforts of ESU team 35 missing mobile phones were traced out from various Districts of UT of J&K with the help of concerned SDPOs, SHOs and ICPPs.

With the recovery of these missing mobile phones, many mobile missing reports have been closed. The people who received their lost mobile phones were very thankful to the Jammu Police and appreciated the sincere efforts of J&K Police.

Crackdown on illegal mining continues, 3 more vehicles seized

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SAMBA: Continuing crackdown on illegal mining, Samba Police has seized three-more vehicles in the jurisdiction of Police Stations Samba and Ramgarh which were being used for illegal transportation/mining of the construction material.

Police teams headed by SHO Police Station Ramgarh,Incharge Police Post Mansar and Incharge Police Post RakhAmb/Talli under SHO PS Samba while performing patrolling duty in their jurisdictional areas, have seized three vehicles including two dumper bearing registration Nos.JK21G-2786& JK21G-3737 and a tractor trolley without registration No. which were being used for illegal transporta-

tion/mining of the construction material in the area.

The above mentioned vehicles have been seized by Samba Police and handed over to the Geology & Mining Department, Samba for further legal action.

Two bovine smuggling bids foiled; 17 bovines rescued, 2 vehicles seized

Samba: Continuing its drive against bovine smugglers and their propagators, Samba Police in successive day has foiled two bovine smuggling attempts in the jurisdiction of Police Station Vijaypur and Police Station Ghagwal, rescued seventeen bovines from the clutches of bovine smugglers and seized two vehicles used for illegal transportation of bovines.

A Police team headed by SHO Police StationVijaypur while performing vehicle checking dutyduring special nakaestablishedat Jakh, intercepted a truck bearing registration No. JK14G-0065 for checking.During checking of the vehicle, twelve bovines were found laden inside which were tied in a cruel manner and were being transported illegally without any valid permission. All the rescued bovines have been shifted to a safer place.

A case FIR No. 08/2025 U/S 223 BNS, 11 PCA Act has been registered at PS Vijaypur and investigation started.

Similarly in another incident, Police team headed by SHO PS Ghagwalintercepted a Mahindra vehicle bearing registration No.JK02DA-9772 for its checking at naka NHW Tapyal and rescued five bovines which were being transported illegally without any valid permission.

A case FIR No. 08/2025 u/s 223 BNS, 11 PCA Act has been registered at Police Station Ghagwal and investigation started.

5 drug peddlers arrested; contraband substances, cash recovered

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SRINAGAR: Police have arrested five drug peddlers in Kupwara, Baramulla, Srinagar & Budgam and recovered contraband substances & cash from their possession.

A police team of Police Post Bazaar at a checkpoint established at Geerhatchi, Kupwara, intercepted a suspicious person identified as Ishfaq Ahmad Parry son of Ghulam Hassan Parry resident of Doniwari Lolab. During search, 11 grams of Heroin-like substance and ₹5,170 was recovered from his possession. Subsequently, he was arrested. Meanwhile in Baramulla, a Police party of Police Station Uri at a checkpoint established at Gingal Uri, arrested a drug peddler identified as Saleem Khan son of Akhter Khan resident of Dawaran Uri. During search, 1.208 Kgs of Cannabis Powder like substances was recovered from his possession.

In Srinagar, a Police team at a checkpoint established at Dalgate, arrested two drug peddlers identified as Aquib Ahmad Sofi son of Late Gh Mohi Udin Sofi resident of Buchwara Dalgate and Ashiq Hussain Dar @Ashiq Kala son of Mohd Yousuf Dar resident of Dubji Bund Maisuma Srinagar. During search, substantial quantity of narcotic substance and cash amount of ₹5,000/- have been recovered from their possession. In Budgam, during naka checking at Madbal Chadoora, a Police party of Police Station Chadoora intercepted a vehicle (Alto) bearing registration No. JK01K-3500 driven by Sajad Ahmad Wani son of Ghulam Mohi-ud-din Wani resident of Nowhar Chadoora. During search, 1.70 Kgs of Charas Powder and 02 sticks of Charas wrapped in corn husk were recovered from his possession. He has been arrested and the vehicle used in the commission of crime has also been seized. Accordingly, cases under relevant sections of law have been registered at respective police stations and investigations have been initiated.

Fraudulent gold smith arrested; counterfeit ornaments seized

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BLJBEHARA: Police in Srinagar have apprehended an individual involved in the sale of counterfeit gold ornaments.

On January 9, 2025, a written complaint was lodged at Police Station Nowhatta by an individual namely Nisar Ahmad Bhat, a resident of Bindoo Kokernag, at present living in Srinagar & working as a storekeeper at Lalmandi Srinagar, stating therein that he had purchased gold ornaments from one Mehraj Din Qazi, the proprietor of M/S Soliya Ornaments in Bijbihara. Upon close observation once purchased, they turned out to be fake. In this connection, a case vide FIR No. 02/2025 under relevant sections of law was registered in Police Station Nowhatta.

Acting swiftly, the investigating team arrested the accused shopkeeper identified as Mehraj Din Qazi son of Gh Mohammad Qazi resident of Bijbihara, and seized the fake jewellery. During questioning, the accused admitted to deceiving customers by embossing fake hallmarks on gold-like ornaments. The investigating team also learnt that the accused had been making home deliveries of these counterfeit items to various locations of Srinagar City, including Nowhatta. The laboratory tests of the seized gold jewellery have confirmed that the ornaments in question are indeed counterfeit. The investigation of the case is going on to uncover any further links in this fraudulent network.

Gambler arrested, stake money seized

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SOPORE: Police have arrested a gambler in Sopore and recovered stake money from his possession. Acting on a specific information regarding gambling activities at Behrampora, a Police team from Police Post Watergam, raided a specific location. Upon noticing the Police, the gamblers fled from the scene, but one gambler identified as Manzoor Ahmad Bhat, a resident of Khaipora Handwara, was arrested.

Police have seized stake money of ₹8,500 and playing cards from his possession. A case under the relevant sections of law has been registered at PS Dangiwachha and investigation has been initiated.

Theft case solved, accused arrested

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KULGAM: Police in Kulgam have solved a theft case and recovered a stolen vehicle besides, apprehended an accused individual involved in the commission of crime.

On January 9, 2025, Police Station Qazigund received a written complaint from Azam Khan son of Mohd Ismail Khan resident of Ramban A/P Nawa, stating therein that his vehicle bearing registration number JK13A-4716, parked near Jamia masjid Nawa has been stolen.

Accordingly, a case vide FIR No. 08/2025 under relevant section of law has been registered at Police Station Qazigund and investigation was initiated.

The investigation team led by SHO Police Station Qazigund with strenuous efforts and by using all available means tracked down the stolen vehicle at Wullarhama Pahalgam, and was recovered subsequently. During the operation, the Police apprehended the accused, identified as Shahid Ahmad Bhat son of Bashir Ahmad Bhat resident of Wullarhama Pahalgam. Investigations are ongoing to determine whether additional individuals were involved in the theft.

Poonch police's late night crackdown on illegal mining activities

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POONCH: The District Police Poonch has launched a stringent crackdown on illegal mining activities in the region, emphasizing the importance of preserving the environment and upholding the law. This initiative is part of ongoing efforts to curb illegal practices and ensure compliance with mining regulations.

During recent operations, two instances of unauthorized mining were detected, and strict action was taken against violators. Two dumpers bearing Registration Nos JK 12B/3290 and JK12B/6454 involved in illegal mining and transportation have been seized.

Speaking about the initiative, SSP Poonch stated: "Illegal mining not only damages our environment but also undermines the economy. We urge all individuals and entities to abide by the law. Anyone found engaging in illegal activities will face severe legal consequences."

The District Police further appeals to the public to report any instances of illegal mining in their vicinity. Residents can contact their nearest police station/police post.

Notorious drug peddler booked under PIT-NDPS Act

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R S PURA: Acting tough against drug peddlers and to eradicate the menace of drugs from the society, Jammu Police booked the wanted, notorious drug peddler from the jurisdiction of Police Station Ranbir Singh Pura,Sub Division R.S.Pura under PIT-NDPS Act and lodged him inCentral Jail Kot Bhalwal,Jammu.

The notorious drug peddler namely Atul Choudhary, son of Narinder Pal alias Bulla, resident of Puro Bhana Tehsil R.S Pura District Jammu has been booked

under PIT NDPS Act after obtaining formal detention orders from the Divisional Commissioner, Jammu. The booked drug smuggler has been subsequently lodged in Central Jail Kot Bhalwal, Jammu. It is pertinent to mention here that multiple FIR's under NDPS are already registered against the above mentioned drug peddler, who was involved in promoting drug trade by supplying drugs to local youths of the area. Despite his arrest in NDPS cases, he did not mend his activities and was again involved in promoting drug abuse trade by supplying drugs to local youth, in order to achieve monetary gains by illegal, wrongful methods. The above said notorious drug peddler, criminal has remained successful every time in securing the bails from the Courts and in order to refrain the subject from indulging in criminal activities, a dossier under stringent PIT NDPS Act was recommended against the subject, upon which, the Divisional Commissioner, Jammu, after getting satisfied issued a PIT NDPS warrant against him.

Four notorious criminals from Kashmir valley apprehended

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JAMMU: Displaying utmost alertness, Nowabad police achieved a major success when it apprehended 4 notorious criminals from Kashmir who were evading their arrest since last couple of years. They are involved in 43 cases related to vehicle lifting, cattle lifting, kidnapping, Rape, cheating have been registered against them in Srinagar, Budgam, Baramulla, Sopore, Kulgam,Ganderbal, Bandipora, Jammu distts., Hon'ble courts have issued several non bailable warrants against them in different cases but they were absconding since last couple of years and were not traceable.

In view of forthcoming Republic Day, 2025, security setup beefed up in entire Jammu city. During patrolling, Nowabad police received an information that some unknown individuals were roaming in Chand Nagar area under suspicious circumstances.

Acting swiftly, police party from PS Nowabad led by PSI Aziz Tariq alongwith HC Jehangir Khan apprehended all 4 from the area who disclosed their identities as Altaf Ahmed, son of Abdul Wahab, resident of Gantamulla Baramulla district; Parvez Ahmed, son of Mohd Ali, resident of Hawal Kani Deva Sheeri Baramulla; Adil Ahmed, son of Mohd Imran Shah, resident of Shalteng Srinagar and Modh latief Pathan, son of Mohd Ali Pathan, resident of Mujpathri Tehsil Khansahib Distt. Budgam. All of them were put to sustained questioning during which they broke down and confessed that they are involved in more than 40 cases registered against them in Uri, Boniyar, Sheeri, Baramulla, Dangi wachi, Kral Khud, Qazigund, Kulgam, Ganderbal, Bandipora, Parimpura Police Stations of Kashmir spanning over several distts. of Kashmir. Recently, they have kidnapped 1 minor girl from Qamarwari area in which FIR under relevant sections of law at PS Parimpura. On their disclosure, minor girl (Details withheld) too was recovered from their possession. After completing legal formalities, all the accused have been handed over to Srinagar police for further course of legal action.

SWD Reasi organises preventive education awareness campaign under Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan



SWD officials along with slum dwellers during the programme.

of sensitizing the slum dwellers about the impact of substance dependence, accept the need of help and accordingly seek professional help for treatment and Whole Person Recovery.

A video was also displayed to the masses to made aware that drug addiction is emerging as serious concern in the country, especially among the youth leading to severe consequences not just for the person using drugs, but on the family and society at large. A Pledge was also taken against drug abuse and to make the nation drug free. Helpline number was also shared with the residents for any assistance and to share information to the authorities for finding any person involved in illicit trafficking of drugs.

The programme concluded with an assurance to the public of holding such camps on regular basis.

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REASI : Under the auspices of Deputy Commissioner Reasi, Nidhi Malik, Department of Social Welfare Reasi along with Master Volunteers under the supervision of District Social Welfare Officer, Sachin Sharma organized a mega Preventive education and awareness generation programme in slum areas of Katra town with the purpose

Mission Director JJM review progress of Jal Jeevan Mission works

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KISHTWAR: Mission Director, Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), J&K UT, Khurshed Ahmad Shah conducted a detailed review of the ongoing JJM works in District Kishtwar.

During the meeting, Executive Engineer apprised the chair of the progress in implementing JJM. Detailed presentation was presented regarding ongoing schemes. It was informed in the meeting 39 schemes out of 129 schemes have been completed in the district as on date.

Mission Director JJM emphasized the importance of completing all pending schemes and achieving 100% "Har Ghar Jal" certification for covered villages. Key directives were issued to accelerate completion of all works the chair urged all stakeholders to work on a war footing to achieve the set targets and ensure seamless implementation of JJM in District Kishtwar.

The review meeting was attended by Chief Planning Officer Kishwar, Mission Director, JJM, J&K UT, Khurshed Ahmad Shah chairing a meeting at Kishtwar.

Kishwar, Bodhrag Bhagat Superintending Engineer PHE (Mech.) Salim Malik and Executive Engineer PHE (Hyd.) Kishwar.

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Miran Sahib Police holds Police-Public meeting



SP Headquarters Jammu chairing the public meeting.

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JAMMU: In order to foster trust and cooperation today a Police community partnership group meeting was held at Police Station Miran Sahib. The meeting was chaired by SP Headquarters Jammu.

Public from all corners of Miran Sahib area including respectable citizens, DDC Miran Sahib Vidya Mottan, Ex-Sarpanchs/Panchs,numbersdars,chowkidars, traders federations and various market associations attended said meeting.

This event demonstrates the commitment of the Jammu and Kashmir Police to engage, bridge the gap

with public and address their grievances. The main aim of such programmes was to foster greater public-police interaction; enhance transparency and accountability and Promote a sense of safety and security among citizens

During the interaction participants raised various issues of public importance including Drug abuse, traffic jamming, enhanced security for newly functnal Ring road and applauded the unwavering efforts of Jammu Police for curbing anti-social elements.During meeting, locals of the areas demanded concrete steps and proper counselling for youth so that

they remain away from drug abuse.

Listening to the grievances/suggestions patiently, SP Headquarters assured them that their genuine grievances will be resolved on priority and also he assured them that issues pertaining to civil administration will be taken up with concerned departments for their early redressal.

While speaking SP Headquarters thanked Public of the area for cooperation and their active participation. He urged youth to remain cautious against online scams,drug abuse and save themselves from anti-social and anti-national activities. SP Headquarters appealed participants to cooperate with Police in maintaining peace and in making the society drug free.

The public thanked Jammu Police for conducting such a meeting and building a bridge of trust between Police and Public.

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