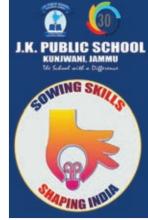
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# Welfare of deprived sections should be Govt's top most priority: LG

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Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha paid tributes to the Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi on Tithi, his Punya Thursday.

"The principles and values of truth and non-violence to which Gandhiji was always committed are beyond time and place. They are as relevant today as they were during his lifetime. He has guided us for peaceful resolution of differences and well-being of every Indian," the Lieutenant Governor said.

Attending the Shanti Doot Sammelan, organised by Gandhi Global Family, the Lieutenant Governor honoured the family members of the army brave-hearts, and also paid homage to all the leaders, fighters, and martyrs who devoted themselves towards India's freedom.

"The world, that we live in today, is witnessing conflicts. In many parts of the globe,



along with other admin officers in Jammu on Thursday.

societies are facing disruption because of ongoing aggression. In such a scenario, the need for peace and non-violence is deeply felt. I am confident in this situation Bapu's ideals will show the right path to humanity," the Lieutenant Governor said.

The Lieutenant Governor called upon every section of the society to rededicate themselves to the ideals and values of Mahatma Gandhi and come together for the cause of empowerment

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## 43 newly promoted DySPs adjusted; 17 reshuffled

Varinder SDPO Akhnoor; Sultan SDPO Ramnagar; Tussif SDPO Mendhar; Vikram SDPO North Jammu; Neeraj SDPO Billawar; Shaid SDPO Manjakote; Vijay SDPO Marwah; Bishnesh Security Jammu; Anubuti Traffic Jammu City; Ashok DSB Jammu

Ahmad, Tahir Yousuf, Mohd

**STATE TIMES NEWS** 

JAMMU: The Director General of Police (DGP), J&K Nalin Prabhat on Thursday adjusted newly promoted Superintendents of Police (DySPs) and transferred 17

Accorded to the order, newly promoted DySPs, who have been adjusted, include Vishal Singh Jamwal, Suhail Rashid, Pardeep Gupta,

Omar Abdullah's social media advisor sacked after misleading post on **SPO** honorarium hike

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

SRINAGAR: The ruling National Conference on Thursday announced that it has sacked the social media advisor to party Vice President Omar Abdullah for erroneously posting claiming credit for the hike in the honorarium of Special Police Officers (SPOs) in Jammu and Kashmir Police.

"A recent post concerning the SPOs' honorarium was shared from various handles connected to the party and the Chief Minister. This post should not have been put out and was done without any attempt to verify or crosscheck the information being shared. While we have been strongly advocating for an increase in the honorarium and are making every effort to see this done, it has not happened till now," the National Conference said in a post on its official handle on X. Earlier, a post on the party's official handle had claimed that the



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Mushtaq Ahmad, Mir Afaq Mohd Faisal Khan, Nasir

Amin, Kulbir Singh, Gulzar Showkat Ahmad, Masarat Bhat, Ahmad Sanjiv Akhter, Mushtaq Ahmad, Sharma, Musadiq Abass, Om Mohd Amin, Dalbir Kour, Parkash, Mohd Ramzan, Deepanker Singh, Vijay Akhter, Munir Kumar, Reena Devi, Rakesh Gulshan Kumar, Neeraj Bhagat, Ahmad, Manzoor Ahmad, Hafizullah Mir, Rajinder Prabhu Diyal, Karan Kumar, Sheikh Ghulam Bashir Jeelani, Aftab Ahmad Bhat, Sharma, Showkat Ahmad, Shashi Kant. Further, Afrat Nisar Ahmad Hura, Sanjay Abrol,

Hussain has been ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

Ahmad, Almas

Ahmad, Mohd Yousuf Dar,

## 19 JKAS officers get Special Scale, 51 Selection Grade

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: The government

on Thursday accorded promotion to the 19 Special Scale and 51 Selection Grade of the Jammu and Kashmir Administrative Service (JKAS) officers.

"Sanction is accorded to the promotion of 19 officers to the Special Scale of Jammu and Kashmir Administrative Service [Level 13 (123100-215900)] with effect from December 5, 2024," reads an General Administration Department GAD order.

As per order, Special Scale accorded to Bilal Khurshid, Rifat Aftab Qureshi, Rajneesh Gupta,

Jeelani Zargar, Susheel Kumar, Gurmukh Singh, Jugal Kishore Anand, Dr. Fayaz Ahmad Banday, Raina, Kusum Prerna Sharma, Rimpy Ohri, Arun Kishore Kotwal, Dr. Subash Chander, Bal Krishan, Ved Prakash, Mohammad Latif, Sandish Kumar, Pardeep

Singh and Ranjit Singh. Consequent upon the above, Kusum Sharma, Rimpy Ohri, Mohammad Latif and Sandish Kumar, presently functioning as Additional Secretary, are designated as Special Secretary in their respective departments. Rest of

### **R-Day: Marching** contingent of J&K Rifles adjudged best among 3 services STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth Thursday presented awards to the best marching contingents and tableaux of 76th Republic Day celebra-

Uttar Pradesh's tableau showcasing the ongoing Mahakumbh won the first prize while the marching contingent of Jammu and Kashmir Rifles adjudged the best among the three services.

Tripura's tableau with the theme "Eternal Reverence" has won the second prize among the tableaux

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## infiltration bid along LoC

**STATE TIMES NEWS** 

POONCH: Army troops on Thursday foiled an infiltration attempt by a group of heavily-armed terrorists along the Line of Control (LoC) in Poonch district of Jammu and Kashmir, security officials said.

Alert Army troops picked up the movement of the terrorists trying to sneak into this side from across the LoC in Khari Karmara area, leading to a gunfight between the two sides, the officials said.

They said at least two terrorists were hit by the bullets in the Army firing but

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## Omar champions J&K's tourism growth, cultural showcase

MUMBAI: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Thursday visited the Jammu and Kashmir Tourism Pavilion at the Outbound Travel Mart (OTM) 2025, Asia's largest travel trade show, being held at the Jio World Convention Centre here.

The event, which runs from January 30 to February 1, brought together exhibitors and buyers from across the globe, providing a platform for destinations to showcase their unique offer-

This year, Jammu and Kashmir has made a strong impression with the participation of 120 tourism trade and travel operators, highlighting the region's unparalleled tourism potential. From



CM Omar Abdullah visiting Jammu and Kashmir Tourism Pavilion at Outbound Travel Mart at Mumbai on Thursday.

its breathtaking landscapes to its rich cultural heritage, the pavilion showcased why Jammu and Kashmir is a must-visit destination for travellers worldwide.

During his visit, the Chief Minister interacted with stakeholders, including travel operators, artisans and

tourism officials inquired about the arrangements in place for their participation. He also conducted a detailed inspection of the pavilion, appreciating the efforts to present Jammu and Kashmir's diverse offerings creatively.

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### Tuti posted as IGP Jammu, Anand **ADGP Armed STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: ADGP (law and order) Vijay Kumar, a 1997 batch IPS officer, has been relieved to take up his new assignment at the Delhi segment of AGMUT cadre, read the order issued by the Home Department.

"Director General of Police and Managing Director Police Housing Corporation, S J M Gillani was given the additional charge of the post of Commandant General. Home Guards, Civil Defence and SDRF, J-K, in addition to his own duties, till further orders," it stated and added Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Anand Jain, IPS, has been transferred and posted as ADGP Armed, J-K.

**STATE TIMES NEWS** JAMMU: The Government

IAS officers

Lieutenant

on Thursday transferred five

According to the General

Administration Department

(GAD) order, Jatin Kishore,

Additional Secretary in the

Secretariat holding addition-

al charge of the post of

Director Information, J&K,

has been transferred and

(AGMUT:2020),

Governor's

Deputy

## **Budget Session: President Murmu** to address Parliament today

Air surcharge 50 paisa for Leh

BAC to decide on issues to be discussed: Rijiju

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

NEW DELHI: President Droupadi Murmu will address both Houses of Parliament on Friday, marking the beginning of the Budget Session.

The Union Budget will be presented on February 1.

Murmu will address the joint sitting of the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha at 11 am on Friday.

The Budget Session will be held from January 31 to April 4 in two phases. The first part of the Session will end on February 13 and the second phase will begin on

Meanwhile, Union minister Kiren Rijiju urged all parties

Commissioner, Ganderbal;

(AGMUT:2020) Additional

Jammu has been transferred

and posted as Deputy

Commissioner, Shopian vice

Mohammad Shahid Saleem

Dar, who has been asked to

report to GAD for further

Deputy

Gupta,

# J&K Assembly: Budget session to

JAMMU: The Budget Session of the Jammu and Kashmir Assembly will begin on March 3 with Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha's address, officials said on Thursday.

begin on Mar 3

This will be the first budget of the Omar Abdullah-led National Conference government after assuming power on October 16 last vear.

"I, Manoj Sinha, Lieutenant Governor of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, under the provisions of Section 21(1) of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019, call upon the Members of the Legislative Assembly to assemble in the Legislative Assembly Complex at Jammu on Monday, the 3rd of March, at 10 AM to hear my address, read a bulletin issued by the Assembly secretariat.

In another bulletin, the Assembly ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

to ensure that the Budget Session of Parliament is productive and said that the

posting. Nitish Rajora, IAS

Jammu (North) has been

transferred and posted as

Director, Information, J&K;

Kumar.

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Magistrate,

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Divisional Magistrate,

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Rakesh

Jatin posted as DC Ganderbal,

Shishir DC Shopian, Nitish as

**Director Information** 

IAS

Commissioner,

Committee will decide on the issues that will be taken up for discussion.

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9 Five IAS officers transferred Pilgrims continue to

### flock Maha Kumbh

### STATE TIMES NEWS

MAHAKUMBH NAGAR Millions of devotees flocked to the Triveni Sangam and other ghats at the Maha Kumbh to take a dip on Thursday with the Uttar Pradesh government ramping up efforts to ensure crowd management and safety of people a day after the stampede tragedy.

More than 2.06 crore devotees took the holy bath

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