

## 02 Man arrested for killing wife over infidelity suspicion in Rajouri

## SIA unearths terror module assets; properties worth Rs 122.89 Cr registered in name of separatist Geelani & others seized

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: The Jammu and Kashmir State Investigation Agency (SIA) on Saturday attached several Jamat-e-Islami (JeI) properties worth over Rs 122.89 crore including a house registered in the name of late pro-Pakistan separatist leader Syed Ali Shah Geelani, officials said.

"The SIA has unearthed further assets of the banned JeI in Pulwama, Kulgam, Budgam and Srinagar districts. The properties at a dozen locations worth Rs 122.89 crore approximately after being notified by the DMs concerned on the recommendation of SIA J&K, have been barred with restrictions on usage and entry," the officials said.

They said the properties notified on Saturday include a residential house registered in Geelani's name.

The officials said the two-



A property of JeI seized by SIA in Srinagar on Saturday.

storey residential house over 17 marlas and 199 square feet at Barzulla South is in the name of Syed Ali Shah Geelani and Firdous Ahmad Asmi.

The property was believed to have been purchased in the late 1990s by Jamat-e-Islami (JeI) and was registered in Geelani's name who used to

## 02 1 dead, another injured in house collapse in Rajouri

## Huge cache of arms, ammunition recovered in Uri

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Police along with Army recovered huge cache of arms and ammunition in Hithlanga Sector of Uri in North Kashmir's Baramulla district on Saturday.

Giving details, a top police officer said that 8 AK74s, 24 AK 74 Magazines, 12 Chinese Pistols,

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## Pension applications can be submitted online: J&K's Dept of Social Welfare

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SRINAGAR: The application for grant of pension can be submitted online and beneficiaries no longer need to visit offices, Jammu and Kashmir's Department of Social Welfare said on Saturday, days after a man died while waiting in queue to submit his documents for old age pension.

According to a communiqué issued here, it was given out that

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## Modi Govt committed to drug, terrorism free India: Chugh

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JAMMU: National General Secretary of Bharatiya Janata Party, Tarun Chugh on Saturday said the policy of zero tolerance against the drug business and the financing of terrorism are the important steps being taken by the Modi government to deal with the problem of drugs.

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## 03 Mayor Jammu extends Christmas Greetings

## NIA raids 14 places in Punjab, J&K, Delhi in crackdown against KLF, other terror groups

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Saturday carried out searches at 14 places in Punjab, Jammu and Kashmir, and the National Capital in a case related to terror activities of members of proscribed terrorist organizations like Khalistan Liberation Force, Babbar Khalsa International, and International Sikh Youth Federation.

According to NIA handout, the case relates to terror activities of chiefs/members of proscribed terrorist organizations, such as Khalistan Liberation Force, Babbar Khalsa International, International Sikh Youth Federation etc. Such activities include smuggling of terrorist hardware, such as arms, ammunition explosive, IEDs etc. across international borders, for use by operatives/members of terror outfits and organized criminal



NIA team carrying out raid in a house in Jammu District.

gangs operating in various parts of the country for carrying out terrorist acts like bomb explosions, targeted killings.

This case was registered suo-moto by NIA on August 20, 2022 as RC 37/2022/NIA/ DILL

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During the searches conducted at the premises of the suspects, the NIA

(topic/nia) seized "incriminating materials, including digital devices and documents".

The central agency registered the case on August 20 this year taking suo-moto cognisance considering the significance of the matter.

Further investigations in the case are in progress, NIA (topic/nia) said.

Khalistan Liberation Force (topic/khalistan-liberation-force), Babbar Khalsa International,

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## SCERT to implement SAES in all government, recognized schools

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JAMMU: The government has decided to implement the Student Assessment and Evaluation Scheme (SAES) starting with the upcoming academic session, which will require the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) to develop uniform question papers for all government and government recognized schools.

This decision represents a significant change that will put an end to the traditional examination system.

As per the NEP-2020 examination reforms, the purpose of assessment will change from one that is summative and primarily tests rote memorization skills to

one that is more regular and formative, is more competency-based, supports our students' learning and development, and tests higher-order skills like analysis, critical thinking, and conceptual clarity.

The pupils will receive a multidimensional report card or a holistic progress card in place of a grade sheet, which would reflect each learner's individuality and progress in detail. Software assisted by artificial intelligence would create a 360-degree perspective of a student's progress and help them choose the best careers would also be used. With the new curriculum and pedagogical

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central and state governments will have to fight together.

Chugh has appealed to the governments of all the states that they should also contribute in this drug-free campaign of the central

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## Chugh asks workers to prepare for J&K Assembly elections likely in May 2023

JAMMU: BJP Jammu and Kashmir In-charge Tarun Chugh on Saturday asked the party workers to prepare for assembly elections which are likely to take place in May next year here.

"The election to form a government is taking place by May and that means we have very little time left now. The (party) cells have a major role to play in these elections," Chugh said addressing a series of meetings of senior leaders, morchas, and cells at party

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## LG greets people on Christmas

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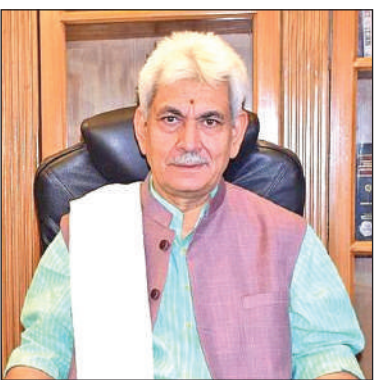
JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha has greeted the people on the auspicious occasion of Christmas.

In a message, the Lt Governor said: "On the joyous occasion of Christmas, I extend my heartiest greetings and best wishes to all and wish everyone a merry Christmas and prosperous New Year".

"Christmas epitomises the spirit of forgiveness and peace. It is an occasion to celebrate and imbibe Jesus

Christ's message of brotherhood, compassion and forgiveness.

May the Christmas this year usher in peace, happiness and joy for all," the Lt Governor said.



## Union Power Secretary chairs 16th meeting of RDSS Monitoring Committee

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Union Secretary of Power, Alok Kumar, on Saturday chaired 16th meeting of the Monitoring Committee of Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS).

Joint Secretary (UT), Ministry of Home Affairs, Chairperson CEA; Principal Advisor Energy, NITI Aayog; CMDs of REC/PFC/PGCIL from central government and Principal Secretary PDD, H.Rajesh Prasad; Managing Director KPDCIL,

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## Kashmir's Div Com asks all Govt institutes, offices to hoist tricolour on R-Day

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Kashmir's Divisional Commissioner Pandurang K Pole on Saturday directed all government institutes and offices to hoist the National Flag on Republic Day.

Pole gave the directions at a meeting to review the arrangements for Republic Day, an official spokesperson said. He said the main venue of the Republic Day

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## Cold conditions intensify across Kashmir Valley

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Cold conditions tightened its grip in Kashmir as the minimum temperature decreased at most places in the Valley, officials said on Saturday.

However, the meteorological department has forecast respite from cold and dry weather for a few days from Monday. The minimum

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## Resigning from Congress in support of Azad was blunder: Tara Chand

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JAMMU: Resigning from the Congress in support of Ghulam Nabi Azad was a "blunder", former Jammu and Kashmir Deputy Chief Minister Tara Chand said on Saturday - two days after he along with former minister Manohar Lal Sharma and former legislator Balwan Singh were expelled from the Azad-led Democratic Azad Party (DAP).

More than 100 office bearers and founding members of the DAP announced their resignation from the party in support of the three leaders, who decided to reach out to the people before taking a



Former DyCM Tara Chand briefing media in Jammu.

decision on their next course of action.

Chand, however, said they will remain secular till their last breath and would have no objection in joining the

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Rahul Gandhi-led Bharat Jodo Yatra when it enters Jammu and Kashmir.

"The decision of the DAP to expel us without any

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## Cong, NC discriminated between IB, LoC for vote: Dr Jitendra



Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh addressing public rally at Jalota area of district Kathua on Saturday.

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

KATHUA: Hitting out at Congress and National Conference for following a policy of appeasement to the extent of being inhuman, Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh said here on Saturday that both these parties not

only discriminated between one section of people and the other section but they also went to the extent to discriminating between LoC (Line of Control) and IB (International Border) purely for vote considerations. Addressing a large public

## Better to close down dozen offices than losing single human life: Dr Jitendra on KP terror threat

KATHUA: Indicating a thaw in the government's stance on relocation of under-threat Kashmiri Pandit employees from the valley, Union Minister Jitendra Singh on Saturday said it is better to save a human life even if it means closing down a dozen offices.

He also hit out at the opposition parties accusing them of following the policy of appeasement to the extent of being "inhuman."

He alleged that these parties not only discriminated between people but also went to the extent of discriminating between Line of Control and International Border purely for vote considerations. "This should be addressed amicably and with sensitivity. My personal opinion is

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rally after laying the foundation stone of Central PMGSY road from Bakhta to Magloor in Jalota area of district Kathua, Dr Jitendra

said, the Congress and National Conference governments crossed all limits of ethics and propriety

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**Joy TO THE WORLD!**

The Diocese of Jammu-Srinagar wishes the people of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh peace, joy and love on this Christmas

MAY THE BLESSING OF JOY ABIDE IN YOU;  
MAY THE BLESSING OF PEACE REST UPON YOU;  
MAY THE BLESSING OF LOVE FLOW OUT THROUGH YOU;  
MAY ALL THE BLESSINGS OF THE LORD BE YOURS  
AT CHRISTMAS AND IN THE NEW YEAR 2023

Merry Christmas!

Rt. Rev. Ivan Pereira  
Bishop of Jammu-Srinagar

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**WEATHER**

Temperature (Jammu)  
Max: 16.3°C Min: 4.2°C

Humidity  
Max: 94 Min: 71

Temperature (Srinagar)  
Max: 11.0°C Min: -5.4°C

Humidity  
Max: 96 Min: 60

Sunset: 17:32 Hours  
Sunrise: 07:31 Hours