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‘PM committed towards 100 pc saturation of Govt schemes’



LG Manoj Sinha speaking during Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra at Panchayat Dhok Waziran in Jammu on Friday.

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Friday said that allotment of five Marla land by the Union Territory Administration to poor landless beneficiaries under PMAY (G) will raise the living standards of poor, vulnerable landless families, remove the existing societal imbalances and lead to their economic and social prosperity.

The Lieutenant Governor was speaking at a function held as part of 'Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra' at Panchayat Dhok Waziran, Nagrota. He congratulated the PRI representatives and people for their enthusiastic participation. He urged them to reach out to maximum number of families, generate awareness about Government schemes and encourage enrolment of potential beneficiaries. The Lt Governor emphasized the need to replicate the best practices of Panchayat Dhok Waziran to develop model villages in a holistic way for better livelihoods options, improved quality of life and action-oriented Janbhagidari for a happy, prosperous and peaceful Panchayat. "Prime Minister Narendra Modi is committed towards 100 percent saturation of government schemes and reaching out to the

unreached. It provides a significant opportunity to rural and urban areas to ensure common man and vulnerable section is empowered," the Lt Governor said. He urged the people to actively participate in 'Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra', avail the on-spot services being provided and disseminate the information about schemes. Individual success stories must reach out to every nook and corner of UT to highlight the transformation brought about by the government's flagship schemes in their lives, he said. "Through integrated action and involvement of every individual we can turn the villages into viable, sustainable economic centres and create opportunities for youth, women, farmers and vulnerable section to accomplish the vision of Viksit Bharat," the Lt

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LeT terrorist killed in Arihal Pulwama encounter

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: A Lashkar-e-Taiba terrorist was killed in an encounter with security forces in Pulwama district, officials said on Friday.

Acting on specific intel regarding the presence of a terrorist in Arihal village of the south Kashmir district, security forces launched a cordon and search operation in the area on Thursday, a police spokesman said.

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Six charged in Kashmir for instigative content on social media

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Six people have been charged in Kashmir for allegedly spreading false information and instigative content on social media platforms, the police said on Friday.

"Srinagar Police and Cyber Police Kashmir have taken cognizance against six individuals for propagation of false information, instigative content inciting

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Dulloo takes over as Chief Secretary of J&K

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Atal Dulloo, a 1989 batch IAS officer having vast experience in the UT on Friday joined as Chief Secretary of J&K after his brief stint in Ministry of Home Affairs as a Secretary, Border Management.

Dulloo being an AGMUT cadre IAS officer has served in J&K for most part of his service. He has earlier been a key person to successfully row the UT amid the lethal Covid-19 crisis as Financial Commissioner, Health & Medical Education.

Before going to central deputation in June this year Dulloo was serving J&K as Additional Chief Secretary (ACS), Agriculture Production Department and has been instrumental in devising of Holistic Agriculture Development Programme (HADP) aiming at revolutionizing the Agri sector here and many folds increase in farmers income.

Dulloo has also served as Deputy Commissioner of key districts in the erstwhile state and has received many honours including state award for meritorious public service on Republic Day in 2013 and silver medal for successfully conducting assembly elections in the in 1996.

Later on the Chief Secretary also took round of the Secretariat campus and interacted with the employees working there. He



Atal Dulloo taking over as Chief Secretary of J&K on Friday.

asked them to feel free to bring their issues either directly to his office or to the General Administration Department (GAD).

He encouraged them to be forthcoming about all such issues so that these are resolved on merit. He asked them about their work and allied facilities available to them or they want to have for smooth disbursement of their official business.

He even took note of the hygiene and renovation works going on in the Secretariat campus. He directed

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Former Principal GMC Doda Dr Tariq Azad joins DPAP Azad exhorts party leaders to gear up for LS polls

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Former Professor of Surgery GMC Jammu & Founder Principal Govt Medical College Doda, Dr Tariq Parvez Azad on Friday joined Democratic Progressive Azad Party (DPAP) in presence of Chairman DPAP Ghulam Nabi Azad.

The party chairman welcomed Dr Tariq and termed it as a substantial boost to the party cadre.

Speaking on the occasion, Azad said that his party has doors open for all those who wishes and desires to work for the prosperity and wel-

fare of people. He said Dr Tariq, worked for thousands of people across J&K and elsewhere in the country.

"Since merit is the benchmark of success in our party, we encourage competent and dedicated people to join our party fold and allow them to grow as per their capacity," said Azad.

"We are here to promote talent and ensure people of J&K are represented by the most genuine representatives. J&K has suffered a lot," he said. Meanwhile, Azad held the meeting of

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ED arrests former J&K Co-op Bank chairman in Rs 250-Cr money laundering case

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has arrested former J&K Co-operative Bank chairman Mohammad Shafi Dar in connection with a Rs 250-crore money laundering case, officials said on Friday.

Dar was arrested along with Mohammad Hilal A Mir, the chairman of the River Jhelum Cooperative Housing Building Society, a "fictitious firm", and they will be presented before a special court, according to the officials.

The ED had conducted searches, including at Dar's

residence, in connection with the case on Thursday, and these resulted in recovery of incriminating evidence, they claimed.

The fraud was done in the name of the "fictitious" River Jhelum Cooperative Housing Building Society, the officials said.

The raids were conducted by the ED's office in Srinagar under powers provided to the agency under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) for search and seizure, they said.

In August 2020, the Jammu and Kashmir Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB)

had filed a charge-sheet in the case against Mir, Dar and others for offences under the Indian Penal Code and the Prevention of Corruption Act.

Mir had moved an application to the secretary cooperatives, administration department of cooperative societies, seeking directions to the J&K Co-operative Bank for granting financial assistance to the tune of Rs 300 crore for taking over possession of 37.5 acres of land in the outskirts of Srinagar for construction of a satellite township, according to the probe by the ACB.

CJ reviews pendency position of cases in Reasi Dist

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Chief Justice High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, Justice N. Kotsiwar Singh on Friday held a virtual meeting with the Judicial Officers of District Reasi to review the pendency position of cases of the district as well as status of various infrastructure projects of district Judiciary.

Judge High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh and Administrative Judge for District Reasi, Justice Mohammad Akram Chowdhary and Secretary Department of Law and Justice, Achal Sethi were also present during the meet-

ing. During the meeting, the Chief Justice reviewed the status and progress of various Judicial infrastructure projects and passed on the spot directions to concerned executing agency for expediting the pending work of various projects.

While reviewing the pendency position of cases and working of court working, the Chief Justice impressed upon the Judicial officers to ensure speedy disposal of the old matters and the updation of cases with their status on the CIS. The Chief Justice also took notice of

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Suresh Raina appointed Youth Voter Awareness Ambassador of J&K

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), J&K Pandurang K Pole on Friday announced and presented letter to Suresh Raina who has been appointed as the youth voter awareness ambassador for Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. Speaking on the occasion, the CEO said that Suresh Raina being a

Kashmir Valley incomplete without Kashmiri Pandits: Dr Jitendra



Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh speaking after releasing the Vjeshwar Jantrie (Almanac) for Saptarishi Samvat 5100 corresponding to the year 2024-25 in Jammu on Friday.

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh said here on Friday that the Kashmir Valley is incomplete without Kashmiri Pandits, who have

been, for centuries, an essential part of the unique civilisation, culture and tradition that Kashmir is known for all over the world.

Speaking after releasing the Vjeshwar Jantrie (Almanac) for Saptarishi Samvat 5100 corresponding to the year 2024-25 at a solemn function here, Dr Jitendra said, Kashmiri Pandit community has contributed to the enrichment of academics, literature and art beyond the shores of Jammu & Kashmir and even before independence, the

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CBSE not to award overall division, distinction in class 10, 12 board exams: Official

STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: The Central Board of Secondary Education will not award any overall division or distinction in class 10 and 12 board examinations, a senior official said on Friday.

The board will continue the practice of awarding marks in each subject and it is for the higher education institution or employer concerned to calculate the aggregate, if required, the official said.

"No overall division, distinction or aggregate of marks shall be

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Bhagwant Mann has mortgaged Punjab to Kejriwal: Chugh

‘Punjab resources being misused for Kejriwal image building’

STATE TIMES NEWS
CHANDIGARH: BJP National General Secretary, Tarun Chugh on Friday said that Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann has been doing a futile exercise of bolstering the image of Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal at the expense of tax payer's money of Punjab.

He said the Punjab Chief Minister was making a mockery of democracy by calling Kejriwal to every function in Punjab and also by lending Punjab resources at the disposal of AAP leaders from



Chugh said there has been a lurking feeling across the state that Bhagwant Mann is on ventilator in Punjab and has been surviving only because of the mercy of Kejriwal.

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similar joke was played on the people of Punjab in Hoshiarpur also where Kejriwal was credited with inaugurating schemes which were initiated by previous governments.

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Low danger avalanche warning in Kupwara

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: A low danger avalanche warning has been issued in Kupwara district, officials said on Friday.

"Avalanche with low danger level is likely to occur above 2,800 metres above sea level over Kupwara district, in north Kashmir, in the next 24 hours," an official said.

People living in these areas are advised to take precautions and avoid venturing in the avalanche-prone areas till further orders, the officials said.

WEATHER

Temperature (Jammu)
Max: 18.8°C Min: 10.7°C

Humidity
Max: 93 Min: 89

Temperature (Srinagar)
Max: 4.5°C Min: 2.8°C

Humidity
Max: 94 Min: 88

Sunset : 17:17 Hours
Sunrise : 07:10 Hours

All gaps along Pakistan, Bangladesh border to be plugged over next 2 years: Amit Shah

STATE TIMES NEWS
HAZARIBAG : Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday said India's two major borders with Pakistan and Bangladesh will be completely secured in the next two years, with work underway to plug gaps in about 60 km stretch along these two fronts.

Shah was speaking after taking salute from a ceremonial parade of the Border Security Force (BSF) on the occasion of its 59th Raising Day celebrations here.

The minister said the Narendra Modi government has fenced and plugged gaps in about 560 km of the India-Pakistan and India-Bangladesh borders in the last nine years since it came to power at the Centre. He said all the gaps in these



two borders on India's western and eastern flank respectively are being plugged and work in only about 60 km is continuing.

In the next two years we will entirely secure these two borders, Shah said.

The two borders-- 2,290 km of India-Pakistan International Border and 4,096 km of India-

Bangladesh border-- are marked by long riverine, mountainous and marshy areas where it is very difficult to erect fences and hence the BSF and other agencies use technical gadgets to check infiltration.

"I firmly believe that a country cannot develop and prosper if its borders are not secure...the government of

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has led the country to the moon with the Chandrayaan mission, G20 Summit and brought the economy from the 11th to the fifth spot, and this was all possible due to our forces deployed for securing the borders like the BSF," he said.

"You, the BSF, are the essential pillar of this journey," the minister told the BSF personnel at the 'Meru' training camp here.

"I believe that the border fence does not alone protect the country, it only helps in rendering this task. It is the brave BSF jawan who does this task," he said.

The border force, about 2.65 lakh in strength, was raised on December 1,

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Snowfall in Sonamarg; night temperature rises at several places

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir's Sonamarg tourist resort recorded light snowfall for the second day on Friday while the Meteorological Department forecast significant improvement in weather across the Union Territory, officials said.

The three-week dry spell in Kashmir ended on Thursday with snowfall in the higher reaches of the Valley and rains in the plains.

While snowfall was recorded in Gulmarg in north Kashmir, Sonamarg in central Kashmir, and other areas in the middle and higher reaches on Thursday, light snowfall continued in Sonamarg, in Ganderbal district, on Friday morning as well, the officials said.

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