

**03** Govt removing roadblocks in path of youth by introducing reforms: PM

**03** Exploring unexplored sectors vital for achieving India 2047 goal: Dr Jitendra

**10** Satish, Nasir flag off J&K Senior Football team for Santosh Trophy

Website : [www.statetimes.in](http://www.statetimes.in), Email: [statetimes1@gmail.com](mailto:statetimes1@gmail.com)

## Addresses 'Smart India Hackathon 2024-Hardware Edition' Grand Finale at Galgotias University Translate your ideas into socially useful, commercially viable applications: LG tells youth

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
GREATER NOIDA (UP): Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Wednesday called upon the youth to translate their ideas into socially useful and commercially viable applications and ensure that fruits of new inventions reach all sections.

"Your courage, dedication, talent and zeal to explore the unknown will give new impetus to the journey of Developed India," the Lieutenant Governor told the youth participating in 'Smart



LG Manoj Sinha addressing young innovators participating in 'Smart India Hackathon 2024 - Hardware Grand Finale' at Galgotias University, Greater Noida.

India Hackathon 2024 - Hardware Edition' Grand

Finale at Galgotias University, Greater Noida.

"We need cutting edge technologies to be the leading nation in technological inventions and at the same time we need environment-friendly innovations for sustainable development. To achieve the goal of Developed Nation by 2047, we need knowledge, capability and commitment of innovators, collaborations, support for new ideas, discoveries, marketing and commercialization of

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

## Adopting silence on Bangladesh incidents, NC, PDP, Cong should shed policy of selective condemnations: Sethi



BJP Chief Spokesperson, Sunil Sethi & others briefing media at Jammu on Wednesday.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir BJP Chief Spokesperson, Sunil Sethi, Advocate on Wednesday criticized National Conference,

PDP and Congress over their approach of selective condemnations and keeping silence on what is happening in Bangladesh.

He was addressing media

persons at party headquarters, along with party spokespersons G.L. Raina, Dr. Tahir Choudhary, Y.V. Sharma and Balbir

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

## Afghan refugee minister killed in blast

**AGENCY**  
KABUL: The Afghan Taliban's acting minister for refugees, Khalil Rahman Haqqani, and six other people were killed in an explosion in the capital Kabul on Wednesday, his nephew said.



The Taliban spokesperson said in a statement that Khalil Haqqani had been killed by the Islamic State militant group, who did

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

## LS passes Railways Amendment Bill

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
NEW DELHI: The government on Wednesday asserted that the Railways Amendment Bill will not lead to the privatisation of the national carrier and alleged that a "fake narrative" is being propagated by some opposition members regarding this.

The Lok Sabha passed the Railways (Amendment) Bill, 2024, by a voice vote on Wednesday after a debate, which could not be held earlier due to frequent disruptions of House proceedings during the last week.

Responding to the debate on the bill, Railway

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

## Jammu equally important as Kashmir from governance perspective: CM 'Darbar Move to be revived'



Chief Minister Omar Abdullah chairing a meeting at Jammu on Wednesday.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Addressing concerns of regional bias, Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Wednesday said that his government is not just for those

who voted for the National Conference; it is the government of every citizen of Jammu and Kashmir.

"Despite attempts by some to play with emotions of

Jammu after the elections and harping on issue of regional divide, we have consistently prioritized inclusivity and equity", the

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

## 2-member UN team meets Rohingya Muslims in Jammu

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: A two-member team of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) met Rohingya Muslims at a slum here amid a heated debate whether the illegally settled immigrants be provided water and electricity.

Senior Protection Officer Tomoko Fukumura along with Protection Associate Ragini Trakroo Zutushi on Monday met the Rohingya Muslims and some local residents in the Kiryani Talab

area of Narwal, an official said on Wednesday.

He said the head of the team would return to Delhi on Wednesday evening as their attempt to meet some police officials failed.

According to government data, more than 13,700 foreigners, most of them Rohingyas and Bangladeshi nationals, are settled in Jammu and other districts of Jammu and Kashmir, where their population increased by over 6,000 between 2008 and 2016.

In March 2021, police found more than 270 Rohingyas, including women and children, living illegally in Jammu city during a verification drive and lodged them at a holding centre inside the Kathua sub-jail.

On November 25, Senior Superintendent of Police, city south Jammu, Ajay Sharma said 18 FIRs were registered in a major drive against the landlords renting out their properties to Rohingyas and others

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

## Army busts terror hideout in Reasi

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: The Army busted a major terrorist hideout in the Reasi district of Jammu and Kashmir on Wednesday and seized a huge cache of arms and ammunition, officials said here.

The Rashtriya Rifles troops busted the hideout during cordon and search operations in the forest area of Mahore, they said.

According to the officials, the recovery made from the hideout included an AK assault rifle, its three magazines with over 400

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9




## You need to scan QR Codes for sending money. Not for receiving it.

**Be cautious. Be safe.**

- Do not scan QR Codes or click links received from unknown sources
- Entering PIN/OTP is not required to receive money



Issued in public interest by  
**भारतीय रिज़र्व बैंक**  
**RESERVE BANK OF INDIA**  
[www.rbi.org.in](http://www.rbi.org.in)

For more details, visit <https://rbikehtahai.rbi.org.in/qr>  
For feedback, write to [rbikehtahai@rbi.org.in](mailto:rbikehtahai@rbi.org.in)