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Air surcharge 50 paisa for Leh Satish Sharma flags off Midnight

Marathon from M.A Stadium Jammu

Dr Jitendra addresses Institutional leaders' Round **U** Table, calls for strong StartUp-Industry linkage

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J&K has been victim of vote bank politics infested with some 'Myths' used to their convenience by 'either sides'

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Modi expresses concern over threats from digital frauds, cybercrimes, AI technology



PM Narendra Modi in a group photograph during 59th All India Conference of Director Generals/Inspector Generals of Police at Bhubaneswar in Odisha on Sunday.

STATE TIMES NEWS

BHUBANESWAR: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday expressed concern over the potential threats generated on account of digital frauds, cybercrimes and AI technology, particularly the potential of deepfake to disrupt social and familial relations.

Addressing the concluding session of the 59th All India

Generals/Inspector Generals of Police, the prime minister also called for the use of technology to reduce the workload of the police constabulary and suggested that the police station be made the focal point for resource allo-

Deliberations were held on emerging security concerns along the border with Bangladesh and Myanmar,

strategies for countering malicious narratives, according to an official statement.

In-depth discussions were held on existing and emerging challenges to national security, including counterterrorism, leftwing extremism, cybercrime, economic immigration, coastal security and narcotrafficking.

Modi noted that wide-rang-

All India DGP-IGP

conference concludes

BHUBANESWAR: The 59th all-India DGP-IGP conference, which was attended by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah, among others, concluded here on Sunday amid tight security.

City Police Commissioner Suresh Devadatta Singh said, "Amid potential threats, foolproof security blanket was ensured during

the event." While Shah inaugurated the conference at the Lok Seva Bhawan on

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national and international dimensions of security challenges and expressed satisfaction on the counter strategies that emerged during the conference, the statement said. As a counter measure

Top seers to approve Sanatan Board proposal at Maha Kumbh **STATE TIMES NEWS**

PRAYAGRAJ: A proposal for the formation of a Sanatan Board will be cleared at a congregation of prominent seers and sages at the Maha Kumbh here and will be submitted to the central government, President of Akhil Bharativa Akhara

announced that a ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

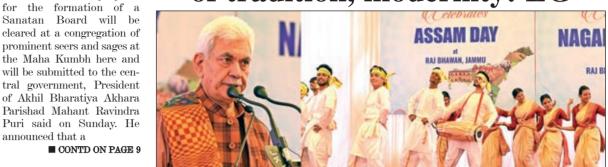
Search continues for two missing car accident victims

STATE TIMES NEWS

DODA: A search operation to trace out two persons who went missing after their car plunged into Chenab river in Jammu and Kashmir's Doda district continued for the second day on Sunday, officials said.

Commissioner Deputy Harvinder Singh, accompa-Superintendent of Police Sandeep Kumar Mehta visited the accident site

J&K Raj Bhavan celebrates Statehood Day of Nagaland Nagaland, Assam fine synthesis of tradition, modernity: LG



(L to R)LG Manoj Sinha addressing gathering, while traditional dance of Nagaland being performed during the event in Jammu on Sunday.

nation building.

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Congratulating and extending his felicitations to the people of Nagaland and Assam, Governor Lieutenant Manoj Sinha on Sunday paid homage to Rani Gaidinliu, Reverend Poswuvi Swuro, Maniram Dewan, Piyali Barua, Gopinath Bardoloi, Kanaklata Barua, and other great personalities and remembered their sig-

"Nagaland and Assam are fine synthesis of tradition and modernity. The two states symbolize India's strength, its cultural traditions, rich folk art, crafts and literature. May the blessed States continue to scale new heights of growth and development, under the guidance of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. I pray for

peace, prosperity, and well-

being for all its citizens,"

the Lieutenant Governor

said during the Statehood Day celebrationNagaland in Jammu Kashmir Raj Bhavan. The event was celebrated

with the spirit of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat. The event, celebrating

inherent cultural links among states, also observed Assam Day, which falls on 2nd December. Students, Security personnel and residents of Nagaland and Assam were the special

DC Reasi, 4 IAS officers transferred

Nidhi DC Reasi; Vishesh Dir Tourism; **Rupesh Dir Social Welfare** STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Government on

Sunday transferred Deputy Commissioner Reasi and 4 IAS officers

According to the order by General Administration Department (GAD), Nidhi Malik, IAS (AGMUT:2013), awaiting orders of posting in GAD, has been transferred and posted as Deputy Commissioner, Reasi; Rupesh Kumar, IAS (AGMUT:2019), awaiting orders of posting in GAD, as Director, Social Welfare. Jammu; Shahzad Alam, IAS (AGMUT:2019), awaiting

Nominations invited for 'J&K Govt Awards' by Dec 15 STATE TIMES NEWS

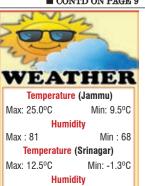
JAMMU: The government on Sunday invited nomination and recommendations in respect of eligible persons or organizations for "J&K Government Awards", to be conferred on the eve of Republic Day 2025, by or before December 15, 2024.

In all, there are eleven "J&K Government Awards" which are conferred for excellence in the specified fields on the eve of Republic Day, every year. These awards are con-

ferred for bravery; achievements in the field of literature; performing art; excellence in art and crafts; social reforms and empowerment: meritorious public service (two awards shall be reserved for non-gazzetted officials); lifetime achievements in any other field; outstanding sportsperson; outstanding media person; outstanding environmentalist and outstanding industrial entrepreneurship.

nominations for

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Sunset: 17:32 Hours

Sunrise: 06:56 Hours

Min: 65

Max: 97

Director, Employment, J&K

General YUVA, in addition to his own duties, till further orders and Vishesh Paul Mahajan, JKAS, Deputy Commissioner, Reasi, has been transferred

and posted as Director

STATE TIMES NEWS orders of posting in GAD, as CHANDIGARH: Additional Director General of BSF's Western Command

vice Nisar Ahmed Wani, Satish S Khandare said here on Sunday that Pakistan is trying to "destabilise JKAS, who shall report to Administration the security situation in the country" by Department for further postsending armed terrorists into J&K ing. Shahzad Alam, IAS besides sending weapons and drugs into (AGMUT:2019), shall also Punjab and Rajasthan, he said. hold the additional charge of "We are basically manning the LoC, which is very difficult terrain, geograthe posts of Chief Executive Officer, Mission Youth and phy-wise, climate-wise. It is our endeav-Mission Director, Mission our to man that border so that we can foil all infiltration bids. As I said the

> Raising Day of the BSF. "We are inducting new technology in

neighbouring country is always in a

process to destabilise the security envi-

ronment in Kashmir", Khandare told a

news conference to mark the 60th



Pakistan trying to destabilize security situation,

ADG BSF Satish S Khandare briefing media at Chandigarh.

the border management on the LoC also which is coupled with AI-based cameras etc. We are taking care of the requirements of our troops at the border so that they are equipped well, they are trained well and they are able to perform their job professionally well," Khandare said. He said this year's drone seizures along the International Border in Punjab have been the highest and added

that the force is deploying anti-drone

systems to neutralise illicit drones "As far as drone recovery is concerned, in the entire Western Command, we were able to recover 250 drones till now this year and this is the highest figure so far." Khandare said.

A total of 242 were recovered in Punjab, six in Rajasthan and two in Jammu, he said.

From November 2023 to November 2024, BSF was involved in seizing 663kg of narcotics, and 69 arms, appre-

North Zone-I Regional Conference on Court Dockets concludes

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Two Days North Zone-I Regional Conference Dockets: Explosion & Exclusion" organized by National Judicial Academy, Bhopal and hosted by the High court of J&K and Ladakh and Jammu & Kashmir Judicial Academy concluded on Sunday at SKICC, Srinagar.

The second day of the Twodays North Zone Regional Conference witnessed two technical sessions. In the first technical session of the day, Justice Rajesh Bindal, Judge, Supreme Court of India alongwith Justice A.

Muhamed Mustaque, Judge, High Court of Kerala, resource persons of the session, discussed on the e-Courts Project, emphasizing strategies to bridge the digital divide.

Justice Bindal highlighted that inadequate equipment and infrastructure are persistent issues affecting all judicial stakeholders including judges, lawyers and litigants. He emphasized that it is imperative to consider robust internal regulations for three primary stakeholders: judges, lawyers and litigants. It should address unequal access to devices

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No change in migrant status of KP women marrying non-migrants: HC

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh has observed that there will be no change in the migrant status of Kashmiri Pandit women even if they marry non-migrants, upholding a Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) order in favour of two women selected under PM employment pack-

The two women -- Seema Koul and Vishalni Koul -had moved the High Court in 2018 after their provisional selection to the post of Legal Assistant in the department

relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction under the PM for Kashmiri migrants in December 1, 2017 forfeited on the ground that they have lost their migrant status having mar-

ried non-migrant persons. "One question of public importance that arises before this court is whether a woman who has been given a migrant status on account of the suffering endured by her and her family on account of which they were forced to leave their home and hearth in the Kashmir Valley..., could be discriminated and would stand to lose the said

status only on account of fact that she had got married to a "Holding this would be

going against the nature of human beings. Respondents herein, who are ladies and on account of no fault of theirs, had to leave their place of original residence Kashmir Valley, cannot be expected to remain unmarried only to secure a job in the Kashmir Valley as a migrant," a Division Bench of Justices Atul Sreedharan and Mohammad Yousuf Wani said in a seven-page order last month

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Proba-3 mission on Dec 4

STATE TIMES NEWS

BENGALURU: ISRO's trusted workhorse Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) will blast off from Sriharikota spaceport in Pradesh Andhra December 4 carrying ESA's Proba-3 mission, the Indian agency said on

Sunday. European Space Agency's (ESA) Proba-3 Mission is happening in collaboration with ISRO's commercial arm NewSpace India Limited (NSIL).

"This mission will place ESA's PROBA-3 satellites (550kg) into a unique highly

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welfare measures for various migrant categories **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo on Sunday held a detailed meeting of the Department of Disaster Management, Relief, Reconstruction (DMRR&R) to take assessment of its measures taken for disaster mitigation in J&K.

Those who attended include Principal Secretary, Home and Departments; Commissioner, Jammu:

DMRR&R Divisional Kashmir/ Relief Commissioner and other concerned officers and officials



Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo chairing a meeting in Jammu.

Dulloo took this occasion to added role at the time of disupon asters Department to further gear He even emphasised upon up for making the action the expeditions carried out to plans regarding different disstudy Glacial Lake Outburst

asters the UT is vulnerable Floods (GLOF) by visiting to. He urged them to make different mountainous lakes the Emergency Operation here. He called for training Centre (EOC) functional by the end of this fiscal as it has

students and other

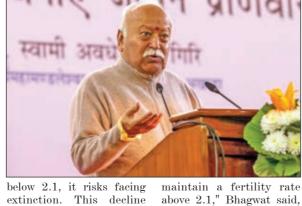
RSS Chief bats for total fertility rate of 'at least 3' to halt population decline that the total fertility rate

STATE TIMES NEWS

NAGPUR: Expressing concern over declining population growth, RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat on Sunday said the total fertility rate in India should be at least 3, well above the fertility rate of 2.1 per cent that is considered as the population replacement rate.

Speaking at the 'Kathale Kul (clan) Sammelan' in Nagpur, Bhagwat also highlighted the vital role of families, and warned that according to population science, if a society's total fertility rate dips below 2.1, it could face extinction.

"A declining population is serious concern. Demographic studies suggest that when a society's total fertility rate falls



extinction. This decline does not necessarily require external threats; a society can gradually fade away on its own," Bhagwat said.

Thus, it is essential to

emphasized that "kutumb" (family) is an integral part of society and every family serves as a "Many languages and culvital building bloc. tures have already disap-"Our country's population peared due to this issue. policy, formulated either in

should not be below 2.1. Now when we say 2.1, it is not feasible to have children in fraction. So when we say 2.1, this means it should be more, at least three. The (population) science says so," Bhagwat India's Total Fertility

Rate (TFR), or the average number of children a woman gives birth to in her lifetime, has declined from 2.2 to 2 while the Contraceptive Prevalence Rate (CPR) has increased from 54 per cent to 67 per cent, according to the National Family Health Survey data released in

A total fertility rate of 2.11998 or 2002, clearly says considered as the

replacement rate, which is a crucial factor in population growth. It ensures the replacement of a woman and her partner upon death with no overall increase or decrease in numbers.

Latching on to Bhagwat's remarks, AIMIM chief and Hyderabad MP Asaduddin Owaisi said, "PM Modi had earlier said that Muslim women produce more chil-

He also referred to Modi's remarks that if the Congress comes to power, it will redistribute gold, including 'mangalsutras', from mothers and daughters among Muslims.

"Bhagwat says produce more children. Now those in the RSS should start marrying," Owaisi said.

Dense fog envelops parts of Kashmir, mercury dips below freezing point

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Dense fog blanketed parts of Kashmir on Sunday morning, as the mercury slipped below freezing point at several places in the valley following fresh snowfall a day earlier, officials said.

"The visibility in Srinagar and some other places of Kashmir dropped below 50 metres at day break due to heavy fog," an official said.

Motorists faced difficulties navigating due to poor visibility, the official said.

However, flight operations at Srinagar International Airport remained unaffected, according to an Airports Authority of India official.

Fresh snowfall on Saturday caused temperatures to fall below freezing point last night at several places across

across the valley.

The Srinagar Airport Force station, situated at a higher altitude, was the coldest recorded place in the valley at minus 3.6 degrees Celsius. Srinagar city logged a minimum temperature of minus 1.3 degrees, an official of the Meteorological department

He said that Gulmarg, a tourist destination popular for skiing, recorded a low of minus 2.6 degrees while Pahalgam in South Kashmir was warmer at minus 0.3 degrees Celsius.

Qazigund, the gateway town to the valley, recorded a low of minus 1.8 degrees Celsius and Kupwara registered a minimum of minus 0.5 degrees Celsius. The weather is expected to

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