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Extending Tatkal facility in J&K in Passport issue JU rules will also shed some misconceptions about J&K

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Fadnavis to take oath as CM today, Modi to attend ceremony

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Sukhbir Badal escapes attempt on life at Golden Temple; former Khalistani terrorist arrested

CM stresses on minimizing distress cuts in power supply

Unveils monitoring tool to streamline power curtailments in J&K

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Chief Minister Abdullah Wednesday emphasized minimizing distress cuts so that public begins to trust the schedule of power cuts noti- $_{
m the}$ Development Department.

Chairing a comprehensive review meeting of the Power Development Department (PDD) at the Secretariat, the Minister reiterated the need for a clear and reliable curtailment programme, stressing that distressed curtailments should be rare and

2 dead, 14 injured as vehicle plunges into gorge ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

KISHTWAR: Two people were killed and 14 injured when a vehicle carrying workers of a private company skidded off the road and plunged into a deep gorge in Kishtwar district Wednesday, officials said.

The accident took place near Dangduru when the workers of an under-construction power project were returning in a mini-bus from the dam site, they said. A

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CM Omar Abdullah chairing comprehensive review meeting of PDD at Civil Secretariat, Jammu.

well-communicated.

"Deviations curtailment

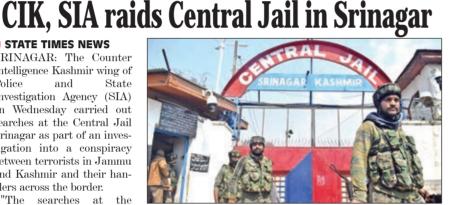
absolute bare minimum. While people are ready to accept planned curtailments, unexpected and prolonged

power cuts are difficult for them to tolerate," he added. The meeting focused

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SRINAGAR: The Counter Intelligence Kashmir wing of and State Investigation Agency (SIA) on Wednesday carried out searches at the Central Jail Srinagar as part of an investigation into a conspiracy between terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir and their handlers across the border.

"The searches at the Central Jail, Srinagar were conducted in pursuance to search warrants issued by the Honourable Court of



Special Judge, designated under the NIA Act, Srinagar in a case registered in 2023, officials said here

During investigation of the instant case, the officials said

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Ex-serviceman, suspended teacher among 3 arrested for fraud

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Crime Branch

(CB) on Wednesday arrested three accused, including two notorious cheaters, Jameel Anjum, a suspended Govt Teacher of Narania Mohalla, Jammu and Saroop Lal, an -serviceman Bishnah/Bari Brahmana against whom several cases of cheating, forgery and frauds are registered. Three separate challans were produced in the courts in Jammu and Kathua.

"As many as 9 FIRs and 1 PV are registered against habitual offender

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Terrorists attack Army post in Poonch; SFs search for ultras in Dachigam forest

Hardcore OGW detained under PSA in Doda



STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU/SRINAGAR: Terrorists hurled two grenades at an Army post in

Poonch district of early

Wednesday, officials said. Only one of the grenades exploded. There were no casualties in the

Off-duty Army jawan shot at by terrorists

SRINAGAR: An off-duty Army jawan was injured after being shot by terrorists in the Tral area of Pulwama district on Wednesday, officials said.

Delhair Mushtaq, a resi dent of Aripal area in Tral sustained two bullet injuries on the legs. The incident occurred near his house a Sofigund, they said Mushtaq was rushed

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Why Did Mehbooba compare India with Bangladesh? Politics of viciousness!



There is a shout out for Mehbooba Mehbooba Mufti over remarks drawing parallels between the treatment of minorities in Bangladesh and India. The BJP lead-

ers have cried foul over such a statement of Mufti made in Jammu on Sunday

Mehbooba's comments were inappropriate, to say the least. As the BJP put it that these were against the country could be a typical political response of the party to the utterances that Kashmiri leaders like Mufti make to stir still waters. The BJP as a party of nationalists has every right to tell

Kashmiri leaders that they would have to adhere to certain limits, as they cannot take liberties to impinge upon the national interest. It is their duty as a national party driven by patriotism and nationalism, which the BJP performed.

NEWS ANALYSIS

The anti-India utterances cannot go unchallenged. The crucial point is, why did Mehbooba say all this? It was not an off-the cuff remark.

This was a deliberate act with clear motivation and purpose to cater to vote politics, which is characteristic of politicians when they are on slippery ground. Otherwise, it is self-evident that there is, nor there could be any comparison between the two situations.

In Bangladesh, after the ouster of Sheikh Hasina, there is a very well-calculated attack on Hindus. It has become a state policy to harass and attack Hindus, their places of worship and their homes. This is a government patronized assault to convey a message to Hindus that Bangladesh is not their country, and they could live in the country only on the terms of the Islamist forces that have come to occupy the territory and its psyche with vengeance. They are having complete support of Pakistan's military establishment.

Bangladesh is persecuting Hindus because they represent a different faith and have distinct practices to worship That is not to the **CONTD ON PAGE 9**





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