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Ladakh moving towards Global Sustainable **Tourism Destination: LG Kavinder**

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PM Modi has been 1st to give idea of promoting 'one state, one global standard tourist destination'

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Chairs 3rd University Council Meeting of CLUJ

Innovation, employability, entrepreneurship

must be core of higher education: LG

World looking at India with great hope due to 'youth power': Modi

Lauds efforts to spread Indian culture, languages globally

NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday said India's achievements in the field of science, innovations and the expansion of technology have greatly impressed countries across the globe and the whole world is is looking at the country with great hope because of its "youth power"

In his monthly 'Mann Ki Baat' radio broadcast, Modi also said that on January 12, the 'National Youth Day' will be celebrated on Swami Vivekananda's birth anniversary when a 'Young Leaders Dialogue' will also be organised.

"Today, the world is looking at India with great hope. The biggest reason for hope in India is our youth power. Our achievements in the field of science, new innovations, and the expansion of technology have greatly impressed countries around the world," he noted.

Modi said the youth of India always have a passion for something new and are equally aware. He said many youth often ask him how they can further contribute to nation-building and share their ideas.

He said answer to this curiosity of



the youth is the 'Viksit Bharat Young

"On the 12th of next month, 'National Youth Day' will be celebrated on the occasion of Swami Vivekananda's birth anniversary. A 'Young Leaders Dialogue' will also be held on this day, and I will certainly participate in that. In this, our youth will share their ideas on important topics like innovation, fitness, start ups, and agriculture. I am very eager

Leaders Dialogue', whose first edition was held last year.

> about this programme," he said. The prime minister said today the youth in the country are getting new opportunities to showcase their talent and many platforms are being devel-

He said one such platform is 'Smart

"Cautions against indiscriminate use of antibiotics"

NEW DELHI: Flagging the issue of antibiotic resistance, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday urged people not to take such medicines without

In his monthly 'Mann Ki Baat' radio address, Modi said the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) recently released a report which said that antibiotics were proving ineffective against many diseases like pneumonia and UTI (Urinary Tract Infections). "This is a matter of great concern for all of us," h

According to the report, Modi said, a major reason for this is people's indis criminate use of antibiotics. He said antibiotics are not medicines that can be taken mindlessly.

He said the medicines should be used only on the doctor's advice.

"Nowadays, people have started believing that just taking a pill would cure all their problems. This is the reason diseases and infections are proving to be too strong for these antibiotics.

"I urge all of you to refrain from using medicines at your own discretion. This s especially important when it comes to antibiotics. I would simply say Medicines require guidance, and antibiotics require doctors. This practice will prove to be very helpful in improving your health," he said.

where ideas are turned into action.

oped where they can showcase their talent as per their abilities and inter-

India Hackathon', another medium

"The 'Smart India Hackathon 2025' concluded this month. During this hackathon, students worked on more than 270 problems of more than 80 government departments. Students offered solutions which were related to real life ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

STATE TIMES NEWS course structures to enhance flexibility and employability. Lieutenant integrated and professional Governor Manoj Sinha on programmes to meet the

Sunday chaired the 3rd Meeting of the University Council of the Cluster University Jammu (CLUJ), at Lok Bhavan, Jammu. The Lieutenant Governor,

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who is also the Chancellor of the University, emphasised that higher education institutions must focus on innovation, employability and entrepreneurship, while ensuring that academic initiatives are aligned with the regional and national developmental needs. He advised

the University to strengthen emerging academic and industry demands.

LG Manoj Sinha chairing Council Meeting of CLUJ in Jammu on Sunday

The University Council, which met under the chairmanship of the Lieutenant Governor, accorded in-principle approval to several significant academic and administrative proposals. It reviewed and confirmed key reforms in line with the National Education Policy (NEP)-2020, including adoption of the new undergraduate curriculum framework, introduction of new academic programmes and revision of

The Council approved the introduction of new programmes such as the Four-Year Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), M.A. Education, Masters in Performing Arts, PG Geography and Cyber Security at the PG level, along with new minor, skill and value-added courses across constituent colleges. Student-centric measures such as award of additional credits for sports and cultural activities, revised credit norms for MOOCs and

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DIG calls for stronger intelligence to counter terror networks

STATE TIMES NEWS

POONCH: A senior police officer in Poonch district on Sunday laid emphasis on (HUMINT) collection to counter cross-border narcotic smuggling and terror networks.

The Deputy Inspector General of Police, Rajouri-Poonch Range, Tajinder Singh, while addressing a comprehensive intelligence, security and crime review meeting in Poonch, urged officers to augment operations through innovative intelligence collection and spokesman said.

Two booked for using VPN on mobiles

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Two men were booked for allegedly using Virtual Private Network (VPN) applications on their mobile phones, violating the orders of Doda district administration, police said on Sunday.

The action was taken following strict enforcement of prohibitory orders issued by Doda District Magistrate (DM), banning the use of VPN services within the district for security reasons.

The accused have been identified as Khalid Abrar and Mohd Irfan, the police

A police team from Bhagla Bharth post was deployed on routine patrol duty on Saturday and noticed Abrar using a VPN application on his mobile phone, a police spokesman said.

On being questioned, Abrar failed to provide any satisfactory explanation and was subsequently

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Sunrise: 07:32 Hours

If you oppose what people like, how will you get votes: Amit Shah to Rahul Gandhi

STATE TIMES NEWS

AHMEDABAD: Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Sunday said a party won't get votes if it opposes everything people like, quipping that it was beyond his capacity to make Rahul Gandhi understand this "simple logic" because even Congress leaders had failed to make him understand it.

He was addressing a gathering in a village near Ahmedabad city.

"During a recent debate in Lok Sabha, (Opposition Leader) Rahul Gandhi asked me a strange question: 'Why does only his party lose elections every time'. Instead of asking people, he asked me. Rahul Baba, you will get the answer if you understand these two initiatives that I have launched here " said Shah... The senior BJP leader said Gandhi Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leaderies were originally **CONTD ON PAGE 9**



should not "get tired of losing" because "the Congress will definitely lose the upcoming assembly polls in Tamil Nadu

In the 2029 Lok Sabha elections too, the BJP will emerge victorious under

'The reason behind our success is that people are connected with our principles. The Congress opposed Ram temple, surgical strike on terrorists, removal of Article 370, Uniform Civil Code, Act against triple talaq and our campaign to drive out illegal Bangladeshi infiltra-

"Now tell me, if you oppose what people like, how will you get votes? But, it is beyond my capacity to make Rahul Baba understand such a simple logic because even people from the Congress have failed to make him understand it,"

During the event at Navi Vanzar, he handed 'sanad' (land ownership certificates) to 173 residents. The beneficiar-

RSS Chief urges Hindus to make India 'vishwa guru' for welfare of world Technology

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

HYDERABAD: RSS Chief Mohan Bhagwat on Sunday called upon Hindus

to work towards making the Hindu society and India a 'Vishwa Guru' for the welfare of the

Addressing valedictory function of Vishwa Sangh

Shibir, a congregation of international Hindu organisations, he said Hindus and Swavamsevaks have to lead by example and demonstrate how human intellect can be directed towards global weladvance. Social media will



human beings. Human beings would remain the owners of technology

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Jammu police raids Spa centres in Channi Himmat area, few detained

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: To curb alleged "illegal and immoral activities," Jammu police on Sunday carried out surprise raids at multiple Spa centres and detained few workers for their detailed questioning. In this connection, FIR

While reviewing efforts

against narco-smuggling and

terror networks, the DIG

directed officers to strength-

en human intelligence net-

He held deliberations on

emphasised

rejuvenating the intelligence

strengthening grassroots-

level intelligence generation

to ensure timely inputs and

proactive policing, the spokesperson said.

Singh issued instructions

for effective implementation

of the beat system, with a

prime focus on identification

and sustained surveillance of

works, he said.

and

237/2025 under Section 24 the Immigration Act/Foreigners Act and Section 223 BNS has also been registered at Channi Himmat police station. Further investigation is underway to ascertain the involvement of any wider network, said South Jammu SP Dr Ajay Sharma.

As per official handout, Jammu Police under the command of SP Dr Ajay Sharma conducted simultaneous surprise raids at multiple Spa centres located at different places falling under the jurisdiction of Police Station Channi Himmat, Sub-Division East of South

Zone, Jammu. The operation was a wellplanned and coordinated action carried out by Jammu Police in collaboration with the civil administration, following repeated complaints received from members of civil society regarding alleged illegal and immoral activities

being carried out in certain spa centres.

The raids were conducted by police teams led by the SHO PS Channi Himmat and other police officers, accompanied by lady police officials and an Executive Magistrate. During the operation, thorough checking of the spa centres was carried out. Relevant documents and registers maintained by the spa centres were scrutinised. and DVRs along with other incriminating material were seized from suspicious sites for further examination. Some persons

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: National Conference president Farooq Abdullah on Sunday defended the house arrest of its party MP Aga Ruhullah Mehdi and other leaders, saying they want to create "turmoil", which will

not be allowed. Talking to reporters at Pahalgam in south Kashmir, Abdullah said the leaders were probably not happy that Jammu and Kashmir was on the path of progress.

"You should ask those leaders what they wanted to do. We are doing as much as we can. Perhaps, they do not like



'They want turmoil': Farooq defends leaders'

that the state is progressing. They want turmoil, which we will not allow to happen," Abdullah said.

Authorities on Sunday placed several leaders including Mehdi, PDP MLA Waheed Para, Srinagar Mayor Junaid Mattoo and PDP leader Iltija Mufti under house arrest to prevent them from taking

part in protests against the existing reservation policy.

On the situation in Bangladesh, the former chief minister expressed hope peaceful elections are held in the neighbouring country so that a new government is formed.

"We hope they (the new government) will tread the path of friendship (with India),'

The leaders were put under house arrest after they expressed solidarity with students who planned to sit on a peaceful protest at Gupkar Road and had

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J&K Police organises 'Run for Unity' Jammu Marathon-2025 with massive participation

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir Police on Sunday successfully organised the "Run for Unity" Jammu Marathon-2025 at Gulshan Ground, Jammu, under its Civic Action Programme. The event witnessed overwhelming participation and enthusiasm from people across all age groups, reinforcing the message of unity, fitness, and community

bonding. Additional Director General Police (Headquarters), PHQ J&K, M. K. Sinha, IPS, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. While addressing the gathering, he highlighted the cru-



ADGP (Headquarters), PHQ J&K, M. K Sinha flagging of runners.

ical and mental development of vouth. He stated that

sporting activities help inculcate discipline, comradeship, and a spirit of unity, which

are essential qualities for the overall progress and prosperity of the nation.

Sinha further emphasized that the J&K Police has ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

Advised to 'hide in bunker' during Op Sindoor: Zardari

AGENCY LAHORE:

President Asif Ali Zardari has revealed that he was advised to "hide in a bunker" India launched when Operation Sindoor in May

Zardari made the revelation while speaking at an event in Larkana, Sindh province, to mark the 18th death anniversary of his wife and former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto, who was assassinated in a gun and bomb attack in Rawalpindi on December 27, 2007. MS(Military

Secretary) came to me and said, 'Sir, the war has started.' I had actually told him four days earlier that a war

was going to happen. He said, 'Sir, let's go to a bunker (being a safe place)'... I said, 'If martyrdom is to come, it will come here. Leaders don't die in bunkers. They die on the battlefield. They don't die sitting in bunkers," he said on Saturday.

India launched Operation Sindoor on May 7, targeting terror infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir in retaliation for the Pahalgam attack that killed 26 civilians. The strikes triggered four days of intense clashes between the two countries and ended with an understanding to stop the military actions on May 10. "Pakistan desires peace

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