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LG inaugurates Rs 216 Cr- 22 power transmission, distribution projects

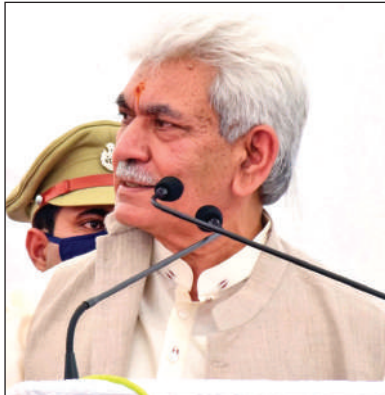
'Committed to strengthen power infra in every district'

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SAMBA: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Monday inaugurated 22 Power transmission & distribution projects costing Rs. 216 Cr at Samba.

The Lt Governor said that the J&K's power infrastructure, which remained dilapidated for the last several decades, is being transformed at a fast pace.

"Today's development represents a giant stride in capacity augmentation and improvement in power supply to consumers of Jammu, Samba, Hiranagar, Kathua, Udhampur and adjoining areas. The new power projects



will meet the power supply demand of the citizens as well as the industrial sector", he added.

Turning the occasion as historic for the people of Samba, the Lt Governor said that the Samba district has also received a dedicated grid station after a long wait of 15 years.

We are firm in our resolve for practical, pragmatic and viable solution to strengthen power infrastructure in every district of J&K UT, the Lt Governor said.

To address the current power deficit and to meet

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Ex Cong Minister threatens whistleblower, continues illegal construction near Wave Mall

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JAMMU: In a typical Mumbai don style, a former Congress minister on Monday threatened an RTI activist for 'daring' to highlight the 'illegal construction' being carried out on the posh Jammu Bypass Road opposite Wave Mall.

The videos and pictures going viral on the social media show the work being carried out behind the green construction safety nets at the most busy road of the



Illegal construction on Government land by ex-minister Abdul Majeed Wani in Jammu.

temple city, raising questions how such brazen act could be committed without the active connivance of the agency responsible issuing building permissions.

"The issue becomes more worrying that instead of acting on the complaints of the whistleblower, his identity has been exposed thus making him vulnerable at the hands of mafia dons", a resident said while expressing concern over brazen

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Govt blocks 54 more Chinese apps over security threat, privacy risks

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NEW DELHI: India on Monday blocked 54 more apps with Chinese links, including Tencent Xriver, Nice Video baidu, Viva Video Editor, and gaming app Garena Free Fire Illuminate, citing security and privacy concerns.

According to sources, these 54 apps allegedly obtain various critical permissions and collect sensitive user data. The collected real-time data are being misused and transmitted to servers located in a hostile country, they added.

The banned apps were allegedly engaged in activities prejudicial to the sovereignty and integrity of the

country, also posing serious threat to security of the state and defence of India, the sources said.

IT ministry has issued interim directions for the blocking of 54 apps, the sources said.

In a statement, Google said: "On receipt of the interim order passed under Section 69A of the IT Act, following established process, we have notified the affected developers and have temporarily blocked access to the apps that remained available on the Play Store in India." The list of banned mobile apps include Beauty Camera: Sweet Selfie

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Cop suspended for smuggling cell phones into Srinagar jail

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A policeman was suspended on Monday following a complaint by the Jammu and Kashmir Prisons' Department that claimed he was smuggling a phone inside the high-security Srinagar Central Jail, officials said.

The suspended policeman, selection grade Constable Mutazir Abbass of 6th battalion of the J&K Armed Police (JKAP), was caught in the act during an in-house surveillance initiated by the Prisons' Department last month, they said.

The officials said Director General of Prisons B Srinivas reported the matter to the Home Department which repatriated him to his battalion before placing him under suspension and ordering a time-bound departmental inquiry against him.

In an order issued by the Home Department on Monday, Principal Secretary Shaleen Kabra

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Modi leads nation in paying homage to martyred CRPF Jawans on 3rd anniversary of Pulwama terror attack



■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday led the nation in paying homage to the slain Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) personnel on the third anniversary of the deadly Pulwama terror attack, and said their bravery and supreme sacrifice motivate every Indian to work towards a strong and prosperous country.

In the attack by Pakistan-sponsored terrorists in the south Kashmir district on this day in 2019, as many as 40 CRPF personnel made the supreme sacrifice when an explosive-laden vehicle hit their convoy at Lethpora when they were heading from Jammu to Srinagar to join their duties after availing leave.

In a retaliatory strike, the Indian Air Force had carried out an air strike in Pakistan's Balakot on February 26, 2019, targeting terrorist camps.

India's retaliation was seen as a doctrinal shift in its counter-terror policy. India has been following a policy of hot pursuit in dealing with cross-border terrorism in

LG pays tributes to CRPF martyrs

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Monday paid tributes to the CRPF personnel who were martyred in the 2019 Pulwama terror attack and resolved to eliminate the menace of terrorism in the union territory.

On February 14, 2019, Pakistan-based terror group Jaish-e-Mohammed attacked a convoy of the Central Reserve Police Force in Pulwama, martyring 40 personnel of the paramilitary force. "The nation will

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Jammu and Kashmir in the last few years.

Several events were organised across the country to mark the occasion with political leaders cutting across party lines paying rich tributes to the fallen jawans. The CRPF also held a series of functions, including one near the scene of the attack to pay floral tributes to their colleagues.

Modi tweeted, "I pay homage to all those martyred in Pulwama on this day in 2019 and recall their outstanding service to our nation. Their bravery and supreme sacrifice motivates every Indian to work towards a strong and prosperous country."

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh tweeted, "This

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