Number of criminals/anti-national, anti-social elements is 'given' and 'finite': DGP to officers

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JAMMU: The crime picture of a District or Zone should highlight the rate of disposal and quality of disposal of the crime cases registered, and to improve the efficiency of crime disposal, we must create a comprehensive, up-to-date and accurate database of the criminals. This was stated by the Director General of Police J&K. R.R. Swain while chairing monthly crime review meeting of the Jammu Zone at ZPHQ Conference Hall here on Thursday. During the meeting, several crucial aspects of improving the investigation and disposal of Crime Cases particularly NDPS and bovine smuggling were deliberated upon.

The DGP said that the number of the criminals/anti-national and anti-social elements is 'eiven' and 'finite' and advised the officers to identify new characters/criminals, their motives and initiate appropriate action against them.

To improve the efficiency of

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JAMMU: Y.V. Sharma,

Spokesperson, BJP JK

UT, complimented the

Union Finance Minister,

for presenting forward

looking interim Budget for

the financial year 2024-25.

Clarifying that it is not a

complete budget but a vote

on account till June 2024.

Sharma stressed that this

interim budget very clearly

mentions the futuristic

approach of the BJP for

making Viksit Bharat by

2047. The approach of the

government in eradicating

corruption, bringing trans-

parency at all levels, devel-

oping modern technology

to eradicate ills in the soci-

ety and to give a fair deal

to youth, women, farmers

and depressed sections of

the society will continue

unabated according to the

assertions of the finance

To boost the overall devel-

minister, he said.



DGP J&K, R.R. Swain chairing monthly crime review meeting at Jammu.

crime-disposal, the stressed the importance of maintaining a comprehensive and accurate record of crime and criminals observing that the building a robust crime case database would help in utilizing the data for investigations.

Highlighting the importance of data, the DGP said that record building be given preference which will help in creating a database from which facts and figures can be retrieved for analytical usage. Addressing the issue of drugs, the DGP described the trade as extremely dangerous, as it not only destroys the younger genera-

Interim Budget a reflection of

Viksit Bharat: Y.V. Sharma

opment of the country

major schemes for giving

loans at low rate of interest

to new start-ups, establish-

ment of a special body for

research and innovations

and renewed efforts for

ameliorating the lot of

farmers are the special fea-

tures of this budget,

Sharma said and congratu-

lated the Union Finance

Minister for putting no

new tax burden on the peo-

ple and continuing all the

concessions and incentives

announced in the previous

budget. He further said

tion but the trade is also being used to generate funds to support terrorist activities in the region. He stressed the officers to take strict and well-planned action against the criminals involved in the NDPS trade directing to maintain the record of drug peddlers as well as of drug consumers so that action is initiated in a more compre-

hensive manner: The DGP impressed upon the officers to make a 'master list' of repeatedly offending vehicles.

He also directed for indexing of drivers and vehicles found involved in transportation of drugs. He stressed on the clas-

that the building of new

houses for the poor will be

continued in the coming

year as indicated in the

budget. Three major eco-

nomic railway corridor pro-

grammes will be imple-

mented. These are: energy,

mineral and cement corri-

dors; port connectivity cor-

ridors, and high traffic

Sharma specially appreci-

ated the move to add Vande

Bharat coaches to most of

the trains in the country.

This will make the Railway

journey cheap and com-

fortable for the people even

in the remote villages, he

said adding that this is a

special feature of the pro-

posed Railway corridor as

Sharma expressed his

hope and opinion that this

interim budget will bring a

sense of relief and satisfac-

tion for all sections of

mentioned above.

density corridors.

sification of victims, peddlers and dealers and impressed upon the officers to look forward and background linkages benefiting from the experiences

The DGP directed the officers to take strict action against bovine smugglers, as the trade is often associated with various other unlawful activities including transportation of criminals and unlawful material.

of other officers/districts

Strict action must be initiated against the vehicle owners whose vehicles are repeatedly used for the trade, the DGP directed further.

The officers agreed upon the

importance of setting clear goals for minimizing the crime rate in the region and implementing effective strategies to achieve the objectives.

As an added incentive to motivate the officers, the DGP announced that those who demonstrate exceptional performance in the investigations would be rewarded as best district and best police station.

The DGP emphasized upon the officers to imbibe the spirit of handling each opportunity to serve the public to the fullest, regardless of their posting. He also advised the officials to appreciate the efforts of their fellow officers who are contributing to the force with dedication, ensuring a result-oriented disposal of crime cases.

ADGP Law & Order, Vijay Policy) PHQ and DySP Complaints, PHQ attended the

Kumar, ADGP Jammu Zone, Anand Jain, Range DIsG and SSsP of Jammu Zone, SSP PCR Jammu, AIG (Training &

Streamline management of Balidan Stambh to encourage tourism: SSP

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Col SS Pathania,

President Sainik Samaj Party (SSP), JK UT

expressed deep concerns on present management Balidan Stambh, Jammu and urged Lt Governor to change and streamline the management for better

upkeep/ maintenance and to be more friendly for tourism. He said that Balidan Stambh Jammu is a unique and exquisite asset, immortalizing the memory of our army ,local police, and central armed police forces, who made the supreme sacrifices, while guarding our borders and ensuring the security and sovereignty of our nation. Present management is having dual responsibilities ie upkeep and maintenance is being looked after by Army and protection including access control is being executed by local police, he said adding that control by one agency by UT government will certainly pay great dividends in terms of maintenance, upkeep and

effective monitor-Tourism Department must be assigned the task to promote this beautiful memorial and also organise various cultural events in the amphitheatre already exist-

ing, he said. Ideally located in the centre of city ,huge potential exists to optimise the tourism potential and invoke the feelings of patriotism, nationalism in outside visitors and our young generation, he said adding that schools must be encouraged to visit and learn about the sacrifices made by our heros and pay them trib-

People of Jammu region too should play their role in promoting the venue and take their guests, to enjoy the ambience of this beautiful asset.

Social Activist Keshav Chopra felicitated



Director H&H Jammu Vikas Gupta felicitating Chairman Samvedna Society Keshay Chopra.

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JAMMU: Appreciating the

important position being

played by the NGOs in

dealing with social challenges, BJP District

President Jammu South Rekha Mahajan said, that

these numerous public-

friendly institutions can

complement government

endeavours and fill the

gaps impeding social wel-

fare through honest

Rekha along with BJP

team members under the

Sampark Abhiyan) felici-

tated the President Inner

Wheel Club, Sampark

Jammu Reva Raina and

her team in the presence of

Prabhari Jammu South

Ayodhya Gupta, District

General Secretary and

Convenor of Programme

Akash Chopra, Co-con-

venor Divya Jain, District

Vice President Narinder

Koki, Mandal President

Vandan

(NGOs

strides.

Shakti

Programme

JAMMU: Renowned Social Activist and Chairman Samvedna Society Keshav Chopra was on Thursday felicitated by Director Handicrafts & Handlooms Jammu Vikas Gupta for his remarkable contribution in the field of social work and humanity.

Vikas Gupta highly praised the selfless initiative taken by Keshav Chopra

who has been working very hard to uplift the weaker sections. He also wished Keshav success for his future endeavours.

PM Modi's leadership opened unprecedented opportunities for Indian women: Rekha

Bharat Bhushan, Rachit

Khosla, Lovisha Gupta,

Rajesh Gupta, and others

were present on the occa-

Rekha appreciated the

efforts of Reva Raina

including team members

for their exemplary work

Rekha Mahajan also

highlights that under the

vibrant leadership of PM

Modi, women are leading

at the front in every corner

She said, "PM Modi has

taken significant initia-

for mankind.

of the nation.

Keshav Chopra appealed to the people to come and help the deprived sections of the society. Keshav also thanked Director Vikas Gupta for appreciating his work and said that this award will motivate him to work further hard.

Chairman PHDCCI Jammu, CCI

president hails interim budget

She noted that PM Modi

tives for women, which

were never even considered

before, including the pas-

sage of Nari Shakti

Bill) after three decades to

increase women's repre-

sentation in Parliament."

Adhinivam

Reservation

BJP District President Jammu South Rekha Mahajan and

IWC, Sampark Jammu members at felicitating function.

Vandan

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took the landmark decision to open doors for the permanent commission of women in the Indian Armed Forces as well as lauding the transformative

initiatives taken by PM Modi. **Budget disappointing for**

common man: Congress

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JAMMU: J&K Pradesh Congress Party (JKPCC) has said that the interim budget has brought no relief to the hard pressed common man, salaried class and record number of unemployed youth.

Reacting to the interim budget today, JKPCC Chief Vikar Rasool Wani termed the budget as disappointing for the common man and said it was more a list of achievements with focus on elections than the hardships faced by the common man, unemployed youth, farmers and working class in the country.

He said that no relief has been given to the middle class tax pavers, who are hard pressed due to high inflation, the poor is suffering due to unprecedented price hike but there is no provisions to control prices by reducing taxes on essential items and similarly the worst suffering class of educated unemployed.

President BBIA welcomes proposals for speedy development of all sector including MSME

JAMMU: Lalit Mahajan, President, BBIA welcomed the proposals for the speedy development of all the sector including MSME Sector as well as for the Corporate Sector of the Country with the Budget announcements. requested Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman to provide the adequate funds for the Development of Industrial Infrastructure which includes the completion of Industrial Estates in time bound manner in Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir on priority basis enabling the prospective Entrepreneurs to start the production in time bound manner on the basis of 28.400 Crores Industrial Package approved by Govt. of India for the Industrial Sector of Jammu & Kashmir.

He also requested Manoj

Sinha, Lt. Governor, Atal Dulloo, Chief Secretary, Union Territory of J&K and Vikramjit Singh, (IPS), Commissioner/ Secretary, Industries & Commerce Department to provide requisite funds from Funds allocated to J&K in the interim budget with the enhancement the Budget Allocation for Turnover Incentives from 50 Crores to Rs. 210 Crores for the Financial Year 2021-22 and the Budget Estimates for the Financial year 2022-23 onward shall be done on the basis of Actual turnover achieve in each Financial year with the Refund of SGST on the Substantial Expansion in respect of Additional items/ change in the line of manufacturing which will encourage the Local MSME Units to enhance their production capacity resulting more Employment Opportunities for local youths

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JAMMU: With consistently efforts of the J&K UT Government, and with support of Administration, the Indira Gandhi Government Dental College (IGGDC), Jammu is declared as Recognized MDS Institution notified by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India (Dental Education Section), New-Delhi vide Notification No:-V.12017/22/2023-DE Dated January 24, 2024.

This was stated by Dr Rakesh Kishan Gupta, Dean Principal IGGDC,

"For this recognition initiative at the first instance we have to take up matter with the Health and Medical Education Department for permission and commencement of the MDS Courses in this institution with request to further pursue in this regard with the Ministry of Health and Family, New Delhi," Dr Rakesh said

Taking as a need base

MDS course launched in IGGDC Jammu demand from student comcally, because the economicalmunity of UT of J&K, he said, the UT Administration put this demand before the Ministry of Health as requisition for catering as a need base demand on behalf of Dental Fraternity especially Under Graduate Student studying in this coll

Keeping this in dire need and key base demand, Dr Rakesh said, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. Government of India, New-Delhi permitted and allowed courses in seven specialty of MDS in the first instance with two seats in each disci-

"As a Dean & Head of the institution I have to make a mention the launch of the MDS course in this institution economically is very assessable for all under graduate students who are pursuing the BDS course here and prove cheaper one economily cast of completion of the MDS course comes to around 25000 in this Govt institution, if this course have to pursue outside of the state the individual students has to pay huge amount in lakh for this specialty, which is very expensive and not bearable for everyone. So the commencement of the MDS course in this institution definitely cater the need of the Dental fraternity in the UT of J&K and extend benefits of their service for the public /humanity to serve as noble cause of their profession," he said.

He thanked to Jammu and Kashmir Government led by Lieutenant Governor UT of J&K Manoi Sinha and Chief Secretary to Government of UT J&K and Administrative Secretary to Health and Medical Education Department for providing their Administrative support.

Adhere to timeline for Jammu Airport expansion: Secy CAD

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JAMMU: Secretary, Civil Aviation Department (CAD), Mohammad Aijaz Asad, on Thursday convened a meeting to review progress on Jammu Airport expansion project. The officers of Airport

Authorities informed the Secretary about the present status of works being executed on expansion of Jammu Airport. They informed about the work done so far besides apprising that there is pendency of structure removals, land possession and other issues.

The Secretary asked the concerned officers to remove the bottlenecks and expedite the pace of work on this prestigious project for timely completion. He directed the Animal Husbandry Department to shift cattle from Belicharana to a new farm at Chattha while the poultry was directed to be shifted within a fixed period of time to prevent undue delays. Aijaz Asad directed the concerned authorities to remove all

The Project Head briefed the Secretary about mobilisation, soil testing survey, engineering drawings prepared, so far. He added that the project is being executed in two separate segments, in parallel, to ensure that it is completed before deadlines.

The meeting was attended by Director AAI Jammu Airport SK Garg, DGM AAI Ganesh Sharma, Executive Engineer PWD, Ashwani Kumar, SP Jammu South, Ajay Sharma, Additional Secretary, Civil Aviation Vidushi Kapoor, Joint Director, Animal Husbandry, Dr Raman Gupta and other

■ STATE TIMES NEWS "The corpus of Rs 1,00,000 JAMMU: While talking on crore with a 50 year interest free loan for long term financbudget reaction, Rahul Sahai, Chairman PHDCCI Jammu ing refinancing that will kick said "I think the Budget is off a whole new revolution as inclusive development and far as research and developgrowth oriented and lavs a ment is concerned which is development nath towards the much needed in our country" Viksit Bharat, I think that was he said. All in all as an interim the best that could be expected budget a very directional, bold and clear budget towards incluout of an interim budget but the move on fiscal consolidasiveness growth development and women empowerment and tion the fiscal deficit to be 5.1% is a bold move which ensures Sahai said without mincing that there will be strict inflaany words Government is confident to come again and budg-

over 11% to 11,00,000 crores direction. will again have a spin off effect In the reaction to the Budget on construction activity, announced by the Central Government, Arun Gupta, Employment and rural Chamber demand going up because of President Commerce & Industry said incomes with the rural poor specifically on technology Jai that there is nothing new for Jawan Jai Kisan Jai Vigyan the business community as no relief has been announced for them in the budget. So was very happy to see the

et is also presented in that

He said that we have demanded establishment of some public sector undertaking unit in Jammu but nothing has been announced in the budget.

announcing the budget for the UT of J&K the government will announce establishment of a big tourism destination in Jammu to increase the footfall of tourists in Jammu as the Rail/Road connectivity upto Kashmir Valley will definitely harm the economic growth especially of Jammu City. While hailing the Union Budget announced today Arun Gupta said that the Central Government has given focus to all major sectors including Defence, Health Sector. Agriculture and food processing, Women, Youth and lower middle class people.

He also hoped that while

Arun Gupta also welcomed the continuity of tax benefits to the start-ups and tax exemption of some IFSC units upto 31-03-2025 and retention of same tax rates.

Arun Gupta also welcomed the scheme of rooftop solarisation for one crore household enabling them to get 300 units of electricity free of cost per

SSP Dalip Kumar takes over as Staff Officer to Addl. DGP Armed J&K

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tion management.

Sahai said Capex growth by

Jai Anusandhan is the best.

focused given to technology

and innovation now therefore

tech savvy youth and we need

our youth to be involved in

research and development.

JAMMU: Dalip Kumar-SSP took over as the Staff Officer to Addl. Director General of Police (ADGP) Armed J&K at Armed Police Headquarters J&K in Jammu.

Dalip Kumar-SSP succeeds Mahmood Ahmed-SSP who has been transferred as Commandant IRP-21st Bn.

On his arrival at Armed Headquarters, Police Jammu today, Kumar-SSP was warmly received by the officers and staff members of APHQ

Dalip Kumar-SSP a 1999 batch JKPS officer was functioning as SSP ACB Jammu and has been transferred as Staff



Officer to Addl. Director General of Police Armed J&K by the Government of Jammu & Kashmir, vide

order No 56-Home of 2024 dated January 27, 2024 issued Department J&K.

Vijay Kumar takes over as ADGP Armed J&K



STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Vijay Kumar-IPS on Thursday took over as the Additional Director

General of Police (ADGP)

Armed J&K at Armed Police Headquarters J&K

On his arrival at Armed Police Headquarters,

Jammu today, ADGP Vijay received by the senior Police officers including Commandants of AP and IR Bns besides officers and staff members of APHQ

Vijay Kumar, a 1997

batch IPS officer of J&K cadre, while functioning as ADGP Law & Order J&K was given Addl. Charge of Addl. DGP Armed J&K by the Government of Jammu & Kashmir vide Order No 55-Home of 2024 dated January 27, 2024 issued by Home Department J&K vice S.J.M Gillani-IPS who upon his transfer as Addl. DGP Railways, J&K with additional Charge as Managing Director, Police Housing Corporation, J&K

was given a warm send-off.

illegal structures within 100 meters of the Airport Boundary and disburse compensation against residential buildings affected by the expansion. The Secretary also urged upon all the stakeholders to report all bottlenecks and hurdles to his office for resolu-

officers from Civil Aviation Department.