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Want J&K where no life is lost due to terrorism: Amit Shah



Home Minister Amit Shah interacting with children from weaker sections of J&K under 'Watan Ko Jano' programme in New Delhi on Monday.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: There is peace in Jammu and Kashmir and this peace has to be permanent, and the Narendra Modi government's aim is to make a Jammu and Kashmir where no life is lost due to terrorism, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said here on Monday.

Interacting with youngsters

from Jammu and Kashmir who have come to the national capital under the Watan Ko Jano youth exchange programme, Shah also said the people of Jammu and Kashmir had equal rights over the entire country, like the people of any other state, and the entirety of India looked at the people of the Union Territory with love

and respect.

When terrorism comes to an end, there is no need for the deployment of police and that day is not far, he added. "When there is peace, no police will be required. This message has to be carried by you to your friends, family and villages... When you go home, tell your friends, neighbours that the entire

country is living in peace and the people of Jammu and Kashmir should also live in peace," Shah said.

"There is peace in Jammu and Kashmir and this peace has to be permanent and "our aim is to make a Jammu and Kashmir where no life is lost due to terrorism", he added.

"Violence brings nothing. Due to the decades of terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir, 36,000 people lost their lives," the home minister said.

Shah said Prime Minister Narendra Modi had made the country equal for all by abrogating Article 370 and, now, the people of Jammu and Kashmir had equal rights anywhere in India, like the people of Delhi, Rajasthan, Gujarat or Rajasthan.

"You have rights over Jammu and Kashmir. Is it not good that you also have equal rights over the

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Pakistan destabilised by its animosity towards India: Anurag Thakur

'Rohingya immigrants living in J&K be identified, deported'

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Senior BJP leader Anurag Thakur on Monday said India never bore ill will towards Pakistan and asserted that the neighbouring country destabilised itself by its animosity towards New Delhi.

"Pakistan is being given a befitting response like in the past (for mischief on the borders). If it (Pakistan) does not end its nefarious activities, our forces know how to take care of it, as they have done in the past," he said during a press conference.

"Pakistan has destabilised



BJP MP Anurag Thakur briefing media in Jammu on Monday.

itself trying to destabilise India. No one wants its neighbouring country to be a failed state, we never wished ill for it but the one who kept an evil eye was ruined,"

Thakur said. Thakur also demanded that Rohingya immigrants living in Jammu and Kashmir be identified and deported.

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Rs 35 lakh seized from private vehicle in Kathua; 1 held for questioning

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
KATHUA/JAMMU: One person was apprehended for questioning after Rs 35 lakh was seized from a private car in Kathua district on Monday, police said.

This was the second major cash seizure from a car in the district bordering Punjab within a week.

On February 18, two youth from Kashmir were taken into custody after Rs 3.36 crore was seized from a special cavity inside their car at Lakhampur.

In the latest case, a police party intercepted a car bearing a Delhi

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Firing case at Swarn Palace: 2 gangsters arrested

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: In a major crackdown on criminal activities, Jammu Police apprehended two wanted criminals and seized illegal arms and ammunition during a surprise Naka checking operation on Ring road in Miran Sahib area.

On Feb 23, a credible information was received at Police Station Miran Sahib regarding three criminals-namely Rajat Raina alias Rishu,

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Search operations underway in Poonch

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
MENDHAR/JAMMU: Security forces on Monday launched a search operation at multiple places near the Line of Control in Poonch district, police officials said.

Acting on inputs about suspicious movement, Special operations group of local police and troops of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) jointly cordoned

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WEATHER

Temperature (Jammu)
Max: 25.3°C Min: 10.2°C

Humidity
Max: 84 Min: 51

Temperature (Srinagar)
Max: 18.0°C Min: 0.2°C

Humidity
Max: 75 Min: 29

Sunset : 18:16 Hours
Sunrise : 07:03 Hours

Chugh slams AAP, Cong for misleading Punjab; wasting state resources

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
CHANDIGARH: BJP National General Secretary Tarun Chugh on Monday strongly criticized both the ruling AAP government and the opposition Congress in Punjab, accusing them of engaging in a political charade while the state suffers.

Chugh said that in the past 36 months, AAP, which was entrusted with governance, has completely failed to meet the expectations of the people. Instead of holding the ruling party

accountable, Congress, which sits in the opposition, has been complicit in AAP's mis-



governance, failing to question its blatant mismanagement of Punjab's resources and deteriorating law and order situation, he said in a statement.

As the Punjab Vidhan Sabha session began, Chugh highlighted the long list of unfulfilled promises by AAP and Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann. He reminded the people that the much-publicized promise of Rs 1000 per month to women remains unfulfilled, farmers are still waiting for the loan waivers they were assured of, and the youth of Punjab are battling drug addiction while struggling with a lack of job opportunities. The AAP

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Modi nominates Omar, Anand Mahindra, Mohanlal for campaign against obesity



■ STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday nominated 10 persons from different walks of life, including Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, businessman Anand Mahindra and actor Mohanlal, to help fight obesity, a day after he exhort-

ed people to take measures to curb the health menace. "I would like to nominate the following people to help strengthen the fight against obesity and spread awareness on reducing edible oil consumption in food. I also request them to nominate 10 people each so that our

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Happy to join campaign, says Omar

SRINAGAR: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Monday said he was happy to join the campaign against obesity, launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Abdullah also nominated 10 people to join the campaign.

"I'm very happy to join the campaign against obesity launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi ji," he said in a post on X.

"Obesity causes a number of lifestyle-related health issues like heart disease, Type 2 diabetes, strokes and breathing problems, not to mention mental health conditions like anxiety

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Govt grants Special CL for migrant employees on Mahashivratri

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Government on Monday announced four days of Special Casual Leave (CL) to Jammu-based migrant employees and Prime Minister's Package employees working in Kashmir Valley.

"Sanction is accorded to grant of four days Special Casual Leave on 25th (Tuesday), 27th (Thursday), 28th (Friday) of February and 1st March (Saturday), 2025, in favour of the Jammu based, Migrant and Prime Minister's Package employees working in Kashmir Valley, who desire to celebrate 'Mahashivratri' with their families at Jammu," read an order issued by M. Raju, Commissioner/Secretary, General Administration Department.

SAMAGAM-2025: CM calls for greater awareness, collaboration on organ donation



CM Omar Abdullah addressing inaugural session of two-day event SAMAGAM-2025.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Lauding the efforts of medical experts and institutions in saving lives, Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Monday called for intensifying efforts towards initiating cadaveric organ donation in Jammu

and Kashmir.

The Chief Minister stated this while addressing the inaugural session of the two-day event SAMAGAM-2025, organized by the National Organ & Tissue Transplant Organization (NOTTO), New Delhi in collaboration

with the State Organ & Tissue Transplant Organization (SOTTO), J&K at Sher-i-Kashmir International Convention Center (SKICC).

Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, who was the

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All-party meet convened on Feb 27 for smooth budget session: Speaker

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Assembly Speaker Abdul Rahim Rather on Monday said he has convened an all-party meeting on February 27 to ensure a smooth budget session starting on March 3.

He also countered PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti who had accused him of imposing "martial law" by warning the

legislators against unwar-



anted publicity to the notices for questions, bills, resolutions and other similar matters connected with the

business of the House.

"All necessary arrangements are in place for the upcoming budget session. I have had a meeting with the officers of various departments overseeing security and other arrangements this morning," Rather told reporters here. The speaker said he had convened a meeting of the members on

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Vehicle rolls down in Ramban; 1 dead, 12 injured

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

BANIHAL/JAMMU: A woman was killed and 12 others were injured when a passenger vehicle rolled down a hilly road in Ramban district on Monday, police officials said.

The vehicle was coming from remote Chabba village to Ramban when it met with the accident at Galli Upper Neera. While the woman identified as Sankesha

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