

Three missing women traced, reunited with families

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JAMMU: Three missing women were traced out and reunited with their families on Tuesday.
 An information was received at PP Pargwal on 19/01/2025 about the missing of one girl (name withheld) resident of Jammu, Age 19 years and her missing report was initiated vide DDR No. 06 Dated 19/01/25 in PP Pargwal.
 Acting upon this, A Police Team of PP Pargwal led by IC PP Pargwal, PSI Deep Kumar Sharma put strenuous efforts and with the help of technical assistance as well as human intervention traced out the missing girl and after completing all legal formalities the said girl has been handed over to her legal heirs. Accordingly missing report has been closed.
 On dated Oct 29, 2024 and Jan 20, 2025, two separate complaints regarding missing of ladies were received in PS Gharota and their missing report were lodged accordingly.
 During the course of enquiry police party of PS Gharota under the supervision of SHO Gharota did hectic efforts and with the technical assistance traced out both the missing ladies. Later on both traced ladies were handed over to their legal heirs after completing all legal formalities. Both the missing reports were closed.

Three snatchers held, stolen property recovered

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JAMMU: Janipur Police acting swiftly and proactively with persistent efforts has arrested three snatchers and recovered mobile phone and INR notes garland in two different incidents.
 A complaint was received from Shobhit Mahajan, a shopkeeper near Logan park that a person came to his shop for fixing puncture and while he was busy in puncture work, the said person snatched his mobile phone and ran away.
 On receiving information case FIR No. 14/2025 u/s 307 BNS was registered and Janipur police promptly apprehended within 3 hours the said snatcher Ritesh Kumar, son of Vashist Tiwari, resident of Bihar at present Janipur, Jammu.
 In another incident, Ashutosh Sudan, shopkeeper at Main stop Janipur reported that some unknown person taking ben-

effit of electricity shut down period during the evening hours snatched notes garland worth Rs 4440/- INR.
 In this regard police station Janipur registered case FIR No.15/2025 u/s 307 BNS and using human as well as technical intelligence apprehended accused 1.Tarun Momen s/o Rajesh 2.Ajay Sidu S/o Kewal both R/O Kothbhalwal Jammu. Police also recovered 04 snatched notes garlands from the said accused and lodged them behind bars.
 With all three suspects in custody and key evidence secured, the investigation is progressing towards a watertight prosecution.



Absconder evading arrest from last 7 years arrested

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BISHNAH: In a breakthrough, a police team from Police Station Bishnah successfully apprehended a long-time absconder wanted in an Arms Act case. The accused had been evading arrest for years, but persistent efforts by the police led to his capture, ensuring that justice is served.
 The accused, Vikram Kumar, son of Ram Lal, resident of Chak Chua Kothi Morh, Tehsil Bishnah, District Jammu, was wanted in FIR No. 197/2017, registered under Sections 341/323 IPC and 4/25 Arms Act at PS Bishnah. Due to his prolonged evasion, the Honourable Court of JMJC Bishnah had issued a warrant under Section 299 CrPC against him.
 Acting on intelligence inputs and sustained surveillance, a dedicated police team from PS Bishnah launched a strategic operation to track and apprehend the absconder. After careful planning and execution, the police successfully arrested him, bringing an end to his long period of evasion.
 Following his arrest, the accused will be produced before the Honourable Court of JMJC Bishnah, where further legal proceedings will take place as per due process.

Three narco smuggler with 12.97 gm heroin

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REASI: Continuing its relentless crackdown on drug abuse, Reasi Police has arrested three notorious drug peddlers and recovered 12.97 grams of heroin from their possession. A special team from Police Station Katra, led by SHO Katra, set up a surprise naka at Bain Nallah near Nomain, Katra. During checking, a vehicle bearing Registration No. JK02CG-8436 was intercepted. Upon frisking, the following recoveries were made Sahil Sharma, son of Yashpal alias Garu, resident of Kanjali, Reasi - 05.96 gm heroin; Manish Singh, son of Shamsheer Singh, resident of Kotli, Tehsil Kashtigarh, Doda - 04.79 gm heroin and Nirmal Singh, son of Daljeet Singh, resident of Mandole, Tehsil Kashtigarh, Doda - 02.22 gm heroin. A total of 12.97 grams of heroin was recovered from the accused, which have been taken into custody. A case under FIR No. 32/2025 U/S 8/21/22/29 NDPS Act has been registered at Police Station Katra, and an investigation is underway to unearth the forward and backward linkages of this drug network.

Notorious drug peddler booked under PIT-NDPS Act

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POONCH: Acting tough against drug peddlers and to eradicate the menace of drugs from the society, Poonch Police today booked the wanted, notorious drug peddler from the jurisdiction of Police Station Poonch under PIT-NDPS Act and lodged him in Central Jail Kot Bhalwal Jammu.
 The notorious drug peddler namely *Rajat Kapoor s/o Rahul Kapoor r/o Mohalla Dhungus, ward number 03, Tehsil Haveli, District Poonch* has been booked under PIT NDPS Act after obtaining formal detention orders from the Divisional Commissioner, Jammu. The booked drug smuggler has been subsequently lodged in Central Jail Kot Bhalwal, Jammu
 It is pertinent to mention here that multiple FIR's under NDPS are already registered against the above mentioned drug peddler, who was involved in promoting drug trade by supplying drugs to local youths of the area.
 Despite his arrest in NDPS cases, he did not mend his activities and was again involved in promoting drug abuse trade by supplying drugs to local youth, in order to achieve monetary gains by illegal, wrongful methods.
 The above said notorious drug peddler, criminal has remained successful every time in securing the bails from the Honble Courts and in order to refrain the subject from

indulging in criminal activities, a dossier under stringent PIT NDPS Act was recommended against the subject, upon which, the Divisional Commissioner, Jammu, after getting satisfied issued a PIT NDPS warrant against him.
 The arrest was made by a team of PS Poonch headed by SHO PS Poonch under the close supervision of DySP Headquarters Poonch & overall supervision of SSP Poonch.



Drug peddler arrested, contraband substance recovered

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BUDGAM: Continuing its efforts to eradicate the menace of drugs from the society, police have arrested a drug peddler in Budgam and recovered contraband substance from his possession. A police team of Police Post Soibugh at a checkpoint established at village Harran intercepted a suspicious person, who on seeing the police party he tried to flee from the spot but was apprehended tactfully. During his personal search, charas like substance was recovered from his possession. He has been identified as Sameer Ahmad Beigh son of Ghulam Hassan Beigh resident of Check Soibugh. The accused person has been arrested and a case FIR No. 17/2025 under relevant sections of law has been registered at Police Station Budgam and investigation initiated.

2 vehicles seized, 2 arrested for illegal extraction and transportation of minerals

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SOPORE: Cracking a whip on illegal mining of minerals, Police have arrested 02 persons and seized 02 vehicles involved in illegal extraction and transportation of minerals in Sopore. A police team led by Incharge Police Post Fruit Mandi, in collaboration with the Geology and Mining department have seized 02 vehicles (tippers) & arrested 02 individuals identified as Bilal Ahmad Dar son of Ghulam Rasool Dar resident of Khadnizar Baramulla and Zahoor Ahmad Malik son of Abdul Aziz Malik resident of Taki Sultan Baramulla involved in illegal extraction and transportation of minerals in Sopore.

Ritu Singh, Dr Navneet initiate cervical cancer awareness campaigns

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RS PURA: In a significant effort to raise awareness about cervical cancer and promote preventive health care, a series of 17 impactful campaigns were successfully conducted across several districts in the Jammu region, including Kathua, Kishenpur Kandi, Samba, Jammu, Gol Pattan, Boad Village Basholi, Suchetgarh Border, Akhnoor, Kothbhalwal, Marh, Udhampur, Ramgarh, Katra, Miran Sahib, and RS Pura. The campaigns, which aimed to educate women and girls about the importance of cervical cancer prevention, concluded with an impactful event in RS Pura with the participation of over 300 ASHA workers and Anganwadi workers.
 A major highlight of these campaigns was the Free HPV Vaccine drive for underprivileged girls. The vaccination campaign was specifically targeted at girls aged 8 to 13 years from slum areas and the orphanage in Balgram, Channi Himmat. This initiative provided critical protection against cervical cancer to



NGO members along with locals during the awareness rally at R S Pura.

hundreds of vulnerable girls who would otherwise have limited access to such preventive healthcare.
 The campaigns were further supported by a charitable initiative that provided 35 room heaters to the Pediatric Oncology Ward of SMGS Hospital. These room heaters, donated by NGO SUPPORT and the Maharaja Hari Singh Foundation, were a much-needed contribution for the comfort of young patients undergoing cancer treatment during the winter season. Blood Donation camps were also organized for cancer & thalassaemia, kids. These initiative was supported by the State Cancer Institute, Rotary Club Bahu 3070, ISBTI J&K Chapter

and YBA demonstrating a collaborative effort towards cancer care and prevention.
 The successful execution of these campaigns was mobilized by a dedicated team led by Dr. Navneet Kaur and Kunwarani Ritu Singh, whose leadership and passion for social welfare were integral to the campaign's reach and impact.
 In the realm of health, Dr Navneet and Kunwarani Ritu Singh has consistently advocated for improving access to medical facilities, raising awareness about women's health issues, and supporting initiatives aimed at providing comprehensive care to the underprivileged.
 Demystifying cancer among rural women a mega awareness campaign was

done at SDH RS Pura under the leadership of Chief Secretary J&K Dr Syed Abid Rasheed Shah (IAS) Administrative & Dr Rakesh Mangotra Director Health Services. Kunwar Rani Ritu Singh and Dr Navneet Kaur concluded the One month of Cancer Awareness Campaign for the rural women of Jammu & Kashmir. Which went district to district spreading the wings of awareness touching 2700 lives. The key note speakers Dr Rajiv Gupta and Dr Paras Khanna gave awareness to 184 Asha workers, 120 Anganwari workers and 50 staff members under the dynamic leadership and guidance of BMO Dr Monika Kotwal. These

Anganwari & Asha workers who are our brand ambassadors and mobilisers for giving door to door awareness had a workshop on Cancer Awareness at SDH RS Pura. Dr Monika Suri gave the welcome address and thanked Kunwar Rani Ritu Singh Director Maharaja Hari Singh Foundation & Dr Navneet Kaur founder Chairperson of NGO SUPPORT for their invaluable support. Kunwar Rani Ritu Singh spoke about the social stigma of Cancer among the rural population and the challenges faced by the border belt and how we could help them to overcome them.
 MIA Narinder Raina RS Pura, Dr Gharu Ram, SDM RS Pura Ms Seema Parihaar, DD Schemes Dr Poonam Sethi, AD Schemes Dr ILA Gupta, Dr Shushma Matto State Leprosy Officer & Tehsildar Mr Shikhar lauded the efforts of Maharaja Hari Singh Foundation & NGO SUPPORT in collaboration with Dr Monika Kotwal BMO SDH Hospital for their tireless efforts in reaching out to the community at grass-root level.

A success Cancer Awareness Campaign & Cancer Awareness walk was held from SDH RS Pura to the streets of RS Pura with loud Slogans of cancer awareness led by Kunwar Rani Ritu Singh Dr Navneet Kaur and Dr Monika Kotwal leading 350 Asha & Anganwari workers with the Doctors & staff members of SDH Hospital. Kunwar Rani Ritu Singh paid her gratitude to everyone and appreciated the dedication of rural belt. Certificates of appreciation and Momentoes were awarded by Kunwar Rani Ritu Singh and Dr Navneet Kaur.
 Dr Navneet Kaur presented her vote of thanks to all the dignitaries, Hospital staff & Doctors, Asha & Anganwari workers, Sh Ashok jee, Gurmeet Singh, Volunteers of Maharaja Hari Singh Foundation, NGO SUPPORT, participants and community members who joined hands to make this event a great success. She added together, we have taken a significant step towards creating a healthier and more informed society through such awareness campaigns.

SBI Udhampur Branch donates essential items to Jagriti Old Age Home under CSR



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UDHAMPUR: In a heartfelt gesture of community service, the State Bank of India (SBI) Udhampur branch extended support to Jagriti Old Age Home by donating essential items under its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative.
 The donation included 15 Almira's, 15 blankets, 30 bed sheets, one refrigerator, Smart Led TV, and four fans, aiming to improve the living conditions of the elderly residents. This noble initiative was led by SBI Udhampur Branch Head, Shamsi Kumar, who personally visited the Old Age Home to oversee the distribution of items among the children and inmates of Jagriti Old Age Home.
 During the event, Jagriti Old Age Home President, Jugal Kishor, expressed heartfelt gratitude to SBI for their generous support.
 He emphasized how these items would greatly enhance the comfort and well-being of the senior citizens residing at the facility.
 Also present on the occasion was Kuldeep Singh, Jammu Head of Yusuf Meher Ali Centre, who appreciated SBI's commitment to social welfare.
 He highlighted the importance of such initiatives in uplifting underprivileged sections of society.

SSP Doda hosts farewell party for outgoing DySPs

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DODA: SSP Doda Sandeep Mehta accompanied by Addl SP Doda Shakeel Rehman and Dy. SP Hqrs Doda Ajay Anand and other Officers/Officials of DPO Doda hosted an impressive farewell function for the outgoing officers viz, DySP Maneer Ahmed Khan, DySP Mushtaq Ahmed on their transfer from the district.
 SSP Doda threw light on the tenure of departing officers and appreciated their role in every sphere of Policing in the District. Later on, the departing officers were given mementos as a goodwill gesture. All the



SSP Doda Sandeep Mehta and other officers according farewell to DySPs Maneer Ahmed Khan and Mushtaq Ahmed.

officers and officials of the District conveyed their best wishes to the outgoing officers for their new assignments.
 In their farewell addresses, the departing officers shared their experiences in their respective positions and extended their gratitude to all ranks of District Police Doda for their cooperation and indentionation towards duty.
 the presence of all prominent members of Beopar Mandal, who took the opportunity to highlight various issues concerning the business community.
 During his address, Khalsa assured the traders that their problems would be taken up with the administration and resolved on prior-

Social Welfare Department organises awareness camp

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SATHRA: On the direction of District Social Welfare Officer Wakeel Ahmed Bhatt, the SANKALP: Hub for Empowerment of Women (HEW) Poonch organized an awareness camp at Village Sathra.
 The event was attended by local residents, particularly women from the village, who gained valuable information on various social welfare schemes aimed at their empowerment.
 The session focused on the "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao" campaign, raising awareness about the importance of girls' education and welfare programs such as Women Helpline 181, Sakhi One Stop Centre for Women, PMMVY (Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana), e-SHRAM, Janani Suraksha Yojana, Poshan Abhiyan, Tejaswini Livelihood



Dept officials along with participants during the camp.

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During the camp, Tirath Kour, Gender Specialist DHEW, Taranpreet Kaur, Specialist in Financial Literacy DHEW, Harmeet Kaur, Paramedical Personnel OSC, and Sobina Bandy, Case Worker OSC, actively participated and provided in-depth information about these schemes, ensuring women were well-informed about their rights and available resources.
 The event successfully instilled a sense of empowerment among the women of Sathra, encouraging them to make use of the available welfare programs for their personal and professional development.

Beopar Mandal members call on BJP Distt President

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POONCH: Sonu Goldsmith, along with the Beopar Mandal of Main Chowk Market Poonch, organised a get-together to honour Gurdeep Singh Khalsa, District President BJP Poonch. The event witnessed



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SPPND GDC Samba installs QR codes on Campus Flora

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SAMBA: SPPND Government Degree College, Samba, has embarked on a pioneering initiative to digitize the campus flora by generating and installing QR codes on various plant species. This forward-thinking Endeavour by the Department of Botany of the college aims to enhance environmental awareness and support the college's sustainability goals.
 By simply scanning these QR codes with a Smartphone, students, faculty, and visitors can access detailed information about each tree,



Faculty and students during the event.

including its species, age, ecological benefits, maintenance history, and intriguing facts. This seamless integration of technology and nature transforms the campus into an interactive learning environment, fostering a deeper connection between individuals and the natural world.
 Principal of the college, Prof. (Dr.) Twinkle Suri, commended Botany Department's efforts, exhorting that this sustainable and eco-friendly initiative contributes significantly to transforming our local landscape into an

engaging educational space. The objective is to develop a model green campus where education and nature can thrive in harmony. HOD Botany, Assoc. Prof. Mala Bhasin, added that beyond its educational advantages, the project supports the college's green initiatives by promoting eco-friendly practices and nurturing a profound connection with nature.
 This promising initiative not only enriches the educational experience but also exemplifies the college's commitment to environmental stewardship and innovative learning.

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