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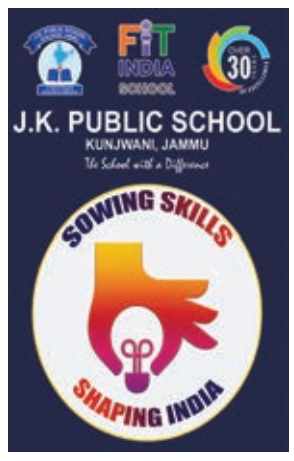

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Modi inaugurates India AI Impact Expo, interacts with startups

PM Narendra Modi at the India AI Impact Expo 2026 at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi on Monday.

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NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday inaugurated the India AI Impact Expo here featuring over 600 high-potential startups and 13 country pavilions showcasing international collaboration in the AI ecosystem. He also interacted with startups participating in the expo.

The prime minister visited various stalls and spoke with the companies participating in the expo. He was seen asking questions from company representatives to better understand what they are showcasing.

The prime minister spent several minutes at various stalls while interacting with the representatives.

Modi said in a post on X, "Inaugurated the India AI Impact Expo 2026 at Bharat Mandapam. Being here among innovators, researchers and tech enthusiasts gives a glimpse of the extraordinary potential of AI, Indian talent and innovation. Together, we will shape solutions not just for India but for the world!"

The Expo brings together global technology firms, startups, academia and research institutions, central and state governments and international partners.

Spread across 10 arenas covering more than 70,000 square metres, the Expo brings together global technology firms, startups, academia and research institutions, Union ministries, state governments and international partners.

The Expo also features 13 country pavilions, showcasing international collaboration in the Artificial Intelligence (AI) ecosystem.

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J&K Govt to conduct survey in 10 districts on drug abuse

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JAMMU: The Jammu and Kashmir government will conduct a survey on drug abuse in 10 districts of the Union territory as it has launched a community rehabilitation programme, Circle of Care, to support de-addiction counsellors in every village, officials said on Monday.

Jammu and Kashmir has the highest number of functional addiction treatment facilities (ATFs) in the country, with these facilities having provided around 1.5 lakh patient consultations so far.

"A survey will soon be launched in 10 districts of the Union territory to study substance use disorders in depth. The survey will be part of a national exercise on substance use disorder," Minister for Health Sakina Itoo said. She further said that the government

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LG orders reopening of more tourist spots in J&K

11 tourist spots in Kashmir, 3 in Jammu Div to reopen immediately

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JAMMU: After a thorough security review and discussion, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Monday has ordered the reopening of more tourist spots in Kashmir and Jammu Divisions, which were temporarily closed as precautionary measures.

11 tourist spots in Kashmir Division- Yousmarg and Doodhpathri in Budgam; Dandipora Park in Kokernag, Anantnag; Peer Ki Gali, Dubjan and Padpawan in Shopian; Astanpora and Tulip Garden in Srinagar; Thajwas Glacier and Hung Park in Ganderbal and Wullar/ Watlab in Baramulla to be reopened immediately.

Three tourist spots in Jammu Division- Devi Pindi in Reasi, Mahu Mangat in Ramban and Mughal Maidan in Kishtwar to be reopened immediately.

Three sites in Kashmir Division- Gurez and Athwatoo in Bandipora, Bangus in Kupwara and One site in Jammu Division- Ramkund in Ramban will be reopened once snow gets cleared.

3 tourist spots - Gurez, Athwatoo of Bandipora Distt; Bangus of Kupwara Dist in Kashmir Div; 1 tourist spot in Jammu Div- Ramkund of Ramban Distt will be reopened once snow gets cleared

JEE-Main results: 12 candidates bag 100 score in first edition of exam, 3 from Rajasthan

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NEW DELHI: Twelve candidates have bagged the perfect 100 score in engineering entrance exam JEE-Main 2026, with the maximum number of such candidates hailing from Rajasthan, the National Testing Agency (NTA) announced on Monday.

More than 13.04 lakh candidates had appeared for the first edition of the crucial exam.

According to sources, at least nine questions were dropped from the final answer key after discrepancies were highlighted by students and other stakeholders.

"For the nine questions dropped across multiple shifts, full marks will be awarded to all

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High Alert: Posters of 5 JeM terrorists released in Kathua

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JAMMU: Amid heightened vigilance in the twin border districts of Kathua and Samba, posters carrying photographs of five suspected Pakistani terrorists have been put up in Kathua, seeking the cooperation of the general public in tracking their movement.

The development follows intelligence inputs generated outside Jammu and Kashmir regarding suspected infiltration of terrorists from across the border in the region, sources said.

The poster, titled 'Public Information', urges people to immediately inform the security forces -- Army, CRPF, police or BSF -- or contact a dedicated helpline number if the suspects are spotted anywhere. It also assures readers that the identity of the informer will be kept confidential.

Sources said security agencies in Punjab had shared credible intelligence inputs about the successful infiltration of suspected terrorists from across the border.

The poster displays photographs of five bearded suspects, including one masked individual, along with a helpline number for providing information in case anyone notices their movement.

Security forces are

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Gataru murder accused plotted escape?

Two Pakistanis among 3 flee from juvenile home; open fire, injure 2 cops

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JAMMU: Police has launched an extensive manhunt and sounded a high alert across Jammu, Samba and Kathua districts after three inmates, including two Pakistani nationals, escaped from the Juvenile Observation Home at RS Pura on Monday evening, raising serious concerns over custodial security in a sensitive border area.

According to official sources, the escape took place between 5.15 pm and 5.30 pm when the inmates opened fire and injured two

CCTV footage shows firing on cops inside juvenile home at R S Pura on Monday.

police personnel deployed on guard duty before fleeing the premises. The injured policemen have been identified as Vinay Kumar (Special Police Officer) and Parveen Kumar, both of whom were shifted to GMC Hospital for medical treatment.

According to police statement, the escapees have been identified as Ahsan Anwar, resident of Nankana Sahib, Pakistan; Moham-mad Sanaullah, resident of Basti Jawewala, Pakistan; and local inmate Karanjeet Singh, alias Gugga resident of Dablehar in RS Pura. They initially started fighting themselves, when the cops intervened they opened fire and managed to flee.

The two Pakistani nationals had been arrested last year while attempting

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New Jammu LA Complex to be ready by Oct 2027: Dy CM

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JAMMU: Deputy Chief Minister, Surinder Choudhary, on Monday said that the new Modern Assembly Complex in Jammu would be ready for functioning by October 2027.

The Deputy Chief Minister stated this while inspecting the progress of works on the under-construction Assembly Complex. He reviewed the pace and quality of execution and directed the concerned officers to expedite the remaining work to ensure timely completion.

He said that the multi-storeyed

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Police busts Rs 209 Cr inter-state online investment scam; 9 arrested

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SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir Police has unearthed a Rs 209 crore interstate online investment scam in Ganderbal district, and arrested nine persons, including the kingpin from Delhi, officials said on Monday.

"So far, police have collected details of 835 accounts and verified transactions of 290 accounts, wherein Rs 209 crore was received from various investors across India. The amount is likely to cross Rs 400 crore upon complete verification," a police spokesman said.

SSP Ganderbal Khalil Ahmad Poswal briefing media.

The transnational racket used phishing and fake trading platforms to dupe the victims, he said. Among the nine persons held was

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GOC reviews counter insurgency grid in Kishtwar

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JAMMU: The General Officer Commanding of the Army's White Knight Corps, Lieutenant General P K Mishra, on Monday visited Kishtwar district and reviewed the counter-terrorism grid and operational preparedness of the troops.

He urged all ranks to remain vigilant and mission-ready at all times.

"The GOC, White Knight Corps, accompanied by GOC CIF (Delta), visited the general area of Kishtwar, J-K, to review the counter-terror

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Special Cell integrated HQ to help bust terror modules: Amit Shah

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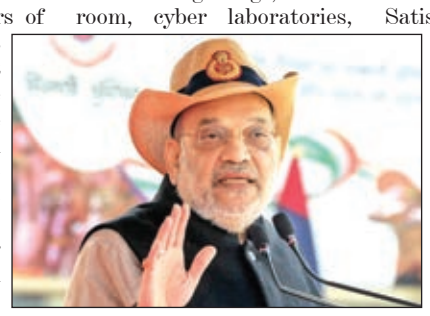
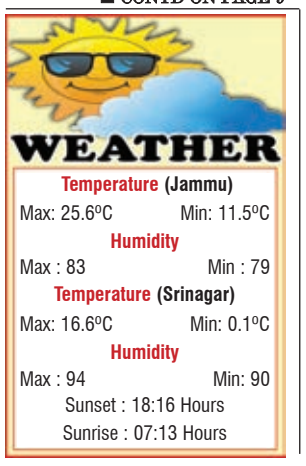
NEW DELHI: The Integrated Headquarters of the Delhi Police's Special Cell being built at a cost of Rs 368 crore will will emerge as the country's most modern centre for tackling narcotics networks, organised crime and terror, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said on Monday.



Addressing the 79th Raising Day ceremony of the Delhi Police, Shah said the integrated headquarters will house a state-of-the-art indoor firing range, a war room, cyber laboratories, training halls and other modern infrastructure.

The e-foundation stone for the project was laid during the ceremony in the presence of Delhi Police Commissioner Satish Golchha and other senior officers. Shah was the chief guest at the event.

The home minister said the Special Cell has played a significant role in cracking down on drug syndicates, fake Indian currency rackets, complex cyber-crimes and major terror conspiracies not only in the national capital but across the country. "Delhi Police

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