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Puneet Sharma. The operation was headed by Tehsildar & Chief Enforcement Officer, Samridhi Sharma, and Naib Tehsildar Arvind. The drive was carried out by Enforcement, Revenue and Engineering Wings of JDA comprising Rajinder Kumar, Booti Singh and Rajinder Singh Choudhary all I/C Khilafwarzi Inspectors of JDA. Naib Tehsildar Bishnah, Ram Lal was also present as Duty Magistrate, while the team of police officials was headed by SHO, Anil Choudhary, Police

#### JeM terror module...

messaging applications to procure a second-hand car for carry-

"Using technical as well as human intelligence, police nabbed Sahil, who revealed the plot about the car-bomb attack, Kaiser. Younis and Yasir Ahmad Wani, who were involved in hatching the plot, have also been arrested," Kumar said, adding that the car was seized from the house of Younis.

The IGP said Sahil has confessed to his involvement in the plot and also admitted that he had thrown a grenade at security forces in the Pampore area of Pulwama district on January 25.

Kumar said the police have also arrested an overground worker (OGW) of terror outfit Lashkar-e-Toiba (LeT) and seized 25 kilograms of explosives from his house in Pampore.

"On the instructions of Omar Khanday, who joined the militant ranks last year, the LeT had planned to carry out a fidayeen (suicide) attack or an IED blast at the municipal committee building in Pampore," he added.

On the killing of Al-Badr chief Abdul Gani Khawaja in Baramulla district on Tuesday, the IGP said it was a "clean" operation with no collateral damage.

"It is a major success for security forces. Abdul Gani had joined militancy in 2001 and was arrested in 2007. He was released in 2008 and worked as an OGW till 2018. He became active again in 2018," he said.

Kumar said the slain militant parted ways with Hizbul Mujahideen and worked to reactivate Al-Badr on instructions from Pakistan. "He was involved in recruiting new militants for Al-Badr in Kashmir while receiving groups from across the Line of Control (LoC). He was a very big commander," the officer said.

#### Spl Secy retrospectively...

March 5, 2021 posted as Special Secretary (Legal) to Home Department J&K, has used his official position to grab money and enjoy power as a Senior Legal Officer.

It was also alleged that the accused has forged and manipulated his own Date of Birth in official records, the CB officials said and added that as per his actual Date of Birth, he was supposed to have retired two years back in March, 2019.

By forgery & manipulations, the CBV officials said, the accused has added four more years to his government service, at senior rank by taking undue advantage of his official position.

With access to corridors of power of the time, the accused arose from a daily wager in the office of Executive Engineer, Electric Division, Budgam to Special Secretary (legal) to Government of Jammu & Kashmir by managing out of turn promotions which prima facie appear to be in violation of rules and regulations and would be probed.

He had also unsuccessfully pursued his case for induction into KAS in technical quota.

The accused passed equivalent of matriculation examination in 1980 as private candidate and joined as daily wager in the office of Executive Engineer Electric Division Budgam, the officials said adding that in 1985 he was regularized as Field Executive (Class-IV Employee).

In 1989, the officials said, the accused was appointed as Public Law Officer, in the same office and climbing the ladder reached to the rank of Special Secretary (Legal) in J&K Government and interestingly the officer got all education equivalent of Higher Secondary and Graduation without attending any regular schools and colleges.

On the basis of an enquiry conducted by the government, the CB officials said, the allegations of forgery and misuse of official position has been found to be prima-facie substantiated against the accused Ghulam Mohi-ud-Din Ganai.

Accordingly a formal criminal case has been registered under the relevant sections of law in Crime Branch Jammu for in-depth investigation for the omissions and commissions on the part of the accused and others.

The accused has been retrospectively superannuated from service on March 5, 2021 by the Govt. w.e.f the date on which he should have retired, March 2019.

After the arrest of the said accused, unverified complaints have started pouring in Crime Branch Jammu regarding more such cases of violation of rules, which will also be verified, the officials

#### Prpl Secy to...



Principal Secretary to LG Nitishwar Kumar reviewing progress on projects of JSCL & SSCL.

road improvement from Dogra Chowk to KC Chowk, Improvement of 23 Junctions, Jammu Smart Public Bicycle Sharing System, City Beautification, Façade Lighting Illumination of Bahu Fort & Mubarak Mandi Complex, Up-gradation and Modernization of Fire and Emergency Services and other projects & modern services

CEO Jammu Smart City Limited briefed the Principal Secretary about the current status of progress of Jammu Smart City projects. It was informed that DPR for Integrated Command & Control Center has been vetted by IIT-Roorkee and tender of the same will be floated by IT department soon. Similarly, requirements have been finalized with Traffic Police for 44 Junctions identified for traffic violation & surveillance with deployment of Box cameras and IP based PA system. The tender of the same would be floated by 20th March 2021. The progress of other projects was also given during the meeting.

The Principal Secretary directed the JDA for developing an App providing real time information of available parking spaces along with displaying of data on Screens for ease of public.

The Principal Secretary advised the CEO JSCL for taking inputs from all the stakeholders for better implementation of Complete Streets project for Jammu city.

He further directed for upgrading the skills and roping in best among the like-minded people for holistic development and meeting the targets under JSCL projects. He called for engaging more stakeholders in vertical garden development and use of Basohli painting art for beautification of Jammu City and promotion of Basohli paintings.

The meeting was also informed about the status of modernization of Narwal Fruit / Vegetable Mandi for which tender was floated on 26th February 2021.

Discussion was also held on integration of water transport system with Metro system in Srinagar and similar integration of various transport modes with Metro project in Jammu City.

Meanwhile, the Principal Secretary also reviewed Srinagar Smart City limited projects, through virtual mode and sought latest action taken on the 15 agenda points discussed in the previous review meeting vis-à-vis Upgradation of Historic Markets, Conservation of Shrines, Water Transport along Jhelum, Integrated Command & Control Center, Hop on Hop off Bus Tours, Development of Amphitheatre/ Open Air Theatre, Lighting or illumination of Mughal Gardens & Botanical Garden, Sitting Arrangement & Lighting along the periphery of Dal Lake, Open Air Theatre/Kashmir Haat other tourist facilities at Tulip Gardens, Smart Parking Solutions, Augmentation of Power Supply, Water Supply & Ice Clearing facilities, Development of Sports Clubs, Development of recreational facility on the line of Kingdom of Dreams, Project Development Strategy and Showcase of tourism through Bollywood movie clips.

CEO Srinagar Smart City Limited Dr Shahid Iqbal Choudhary briefed the Principal Secretary that conservation of shrines would be done in a phased manner including major shrines, Mosques and Temples. Reconnaissance survey from Zero Bridge to Safa Kadal for water transport along Jhelum has been completed; places have been identified for development of Amphitheatre etc.

The Principal Secretary directed for completing the illumination of Mughal gardens & Botanical garden in a time bound manner. He also directed for adequate sitting arrangements & lighting along periphery of Dal Lake, Augmentation of Power and Water supply along with ice clearing facilities, besides development of sports facilities, organising tournaments and widening of

#### RS proceedings disrupted...

"We only want that there should be fair arbitration in India. Our only intention is that people should not loot taxpayers' money through arbitration award," he said.

"The larger question is that India's taxpayer money would be given in these awards. India is a free country. But will some businessmen abuse the system and take away natural resources.... We brought this ordinance because we wanted to safeguard taxpayers' money. This is a national compelling necessity to pass this bill," the minister said.

Immediately after the passage of the bill, Deputy Chairman Harivansh adjourned Rajya Sabha for the day as opposition parties continued raising slogans demanding discussion on the three central farm laws.

The House will meet next on Monday.

Earlier, soon after the laying of papers, Leader of Opposition Mallikarjun Kharge said notices have been given under Rule 267 for the suspension of the listed business for the day to discuss the three farm laws and issues related to farmers

As the opposition members raised slogans demanding withdrawal of the three farm laws, the chairman "disallowed" the notices, saying the issue was discussed in the first leg of the ongoing Budget Session

He asked the agitating members to return to their seats and said the farmers' issue could be discussed during the debate on appropriation bills and finance bills.

"I request you to allow under Rule 267 to discuss this issue...till then it will not be fair...without taking notice of this, we cannot proceed. So we request that you suspend all the rules and take it,"

Naidu said he has gone through the notices given by Deepender Singh Hooda, Rajeev Satav, Partap Singh Bajwa (all three from

the Congress), Manoj Kumar Jha (RJD) and Tiruchi Siva (DMK) about the need to discuss the farmers' issue and to suspend all other business of the House

Subsequently, he said, Ashok Siddharth (BSP) has given a notice on the issue of fuel price rise that "we have already disposed of vesterday".

"About these notices, I would like to say that this House, in this ession itself, in the first part, has discussed farmers' issues and the farmers' agitation... I have disallowed the notice," the chairman said.

"There is a procedure to take back the laws, which you know. If you have the numbers, you can prevail upon the government. If the numbers are not there and then you want to disrupt the House, it is not fair," the chairman said, urging the members to return to their seats

"You are not doing any justice to the farmers' cause," he

He asked the members to raise issues of farmers as part of the discussion on the Ministries of Agriculture, Rural Development and Food Processing, for which around two-three hours have

"If you are really interested in discussion, please follow the discussion route and if you only want disruption, then I leave it to you," Naidu said amid slogan-shouting by the opposition members demanding a repeal of the "black" laws.

The chairman then adjourned the House till 12 noon.

When the House reassembled at 12 noon, the deputy chairman called for the Question Hour to be taken up, but the opposition members continued with their protest in the Well As the Chair proceeded with the Question Hour, the protesting

members raised their pitch and started sloganeering against the government demanding a repeal of the farm laws. Labour Minister Santosh Gangwar tried to give his reply to a

supplementary question raised by M Thambidurai of the AIADMK, but he could not be heard in the din. With the opposition protests continuing, the deputy chairman

adjourned the House till 2 pm.

J&K reports 97...
While six districts did not report any fresh cases, 11 others reported new cases in single digits. The number of active cases stands at 899 in the union territo-

ry, while 1,24,421 patients have recovered so far, the officials said

#### Will continue discussions...

continue discussions with the Chinese side to resolve the remaining issues along the LAC in eastern Ladakh and achieve the objective of disengagement from all friction points and restoration of peace and tranquillity in the India-China border areas at an early date," Muraleedharan said.

The border standoff between the Indian and Chinese armies erupted on May 5 following a violent clash in the Pangong lake areas and both sides gradually enhanced their deployment by rushing in tens of thousands of soldiers as well as heavy weaponry.

As a result of a series of military and diplomatic talks, the two sides completed withdrawal of troops and weapons from the north and south banks of Pangong lake in line with an agreement on disengagement.

In his response, Muraleedharan also referred to Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's announcement in Parliament on February 11 that India and China reached an agreement on disengagement in the North and South banks of Pangong

"The disengagement in the Pangong Lake area has been completed," he said.

# CRIMEREPO

#### 5 notorious drug peddlers arrested with contraband substance STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Continuing its efforts to eradicate menace of drugs from society, Police has arrested two notorious drug peddlers in Budgam and recovered contraband substance from their posses-

Officers from Police Station Khansaheb, at a checkpoint established at Khahipora Khansaheb, intercepted two persons identified as Mursheed Ahmed Shah, son of Ghulam Mohidin Shah nd Mohammed Alam Mir son of Ghulam Mohammed Mir both residents of Khansaheb. During checking, 11.5 Kg Cannabis powder was recovered from their possession. Both the accused were arrested and shifted to police station, where they remained under custody. Accordingly, a case vide FIR No 27/2021 under relevant sections of law was registered at Police Station Khansaheb and further investigation has been taken up. Meanwhile, officers from Police Station Soura at a checkpoint established at Hafiz Bagh Soura intercepted two persons riding on a Scooty bearing registration number JK01AK-7854. They vere identified as Umer Ahmad Dar alias Holder, son of Manzoor Ahmad Dar, resident of Umerhair Soura and Usman Najar, son of Favaz Ahmad Najar, resident of Usmanabaad. During checking, officers were able to recover Cannabis from their possession, which was kept in boot-space of Scooty. Both were arrested and Scooty used in the commission of crime has also been seized. Accordingly, a case vide FIR No. 11/2021 under relevant sections of law has been registered at Police Station Soura and further investigation is going on.

In Kulgam, officers from Police Post Mirbazar at a checkpoint intercepted a vehicle bearing registration number DL26W-7754 with a person on board, who was identified as Tariq Ahmad Bhat, son of Mohammad Maqbool Bhat, resident of Khudwani Kulgam. During checking, officers were able to recover 12.5 Kg of Poppy Straw like substance and 33 bottles of illicit liquor from his possession. He was arrested on the spot and vehicle used in commission of crime has also been seized. Accordingly, a case vide FIR No. 44/2021 under relevant sections of law stands registered at Police Station Qazigund. It is pertinent to mention that he was also involved in a case registered vide FIR No. 09/2021 of Police Station Qazigund and was evading arrest.

#### **4 injured in road accident** STĀTE TĪMES NEWS

BHADARWAH: Four persons got injured when a vehicle, they were travelling in, skidded off the road in Bhalla area of Bhadarwah. According to reports, an Eeco bearing registration no JK06A 9029, driven by some unknown driver, was on its way



from Bhalla to Suranda. At about 16.50 hours, when it reached near Suranda, it met with an accident due to negligence and rash-driving. The vehicle rolled down about 20 feet from road resulting in injuries to four persons, who were identified as Sangeeta Devi, wife of Doulat Ram; Muni Devi, wife of Sudesh Kumar; Kamla Devi, wife of Mansa Ram and Adesh Thakur, son of Mohinder

Singh, all residents of Kotli Rewara, Tehsil Doda. The injured persons were shifted to PHC Bhalla. After medical check-up and first aid, all were referred to GMC Doda for further treatment.

## Trucker nabbed with 100 Kg poppy straw

RAMBAN: Continuing its war against drugs, Ramban Police

on Wednesday recovered 100 Kg poppy straw and arrested a drug smuggler at Chanderkot.

Reports said that on specific inputs that a contraband con-

through a truck (HR38U-4014), SHO Chanderkot, Inspector Vijay  $\operatorname{Singh}$ Choudhary, laid a Naka and stopped the truck. During frisking, some bags containing poppy straw were recovered from the truck, weighing approximately 100 Kg. The driver of the truck namely



Gurbachan Singh, son of Arjun Singh, resident of Thar Balla, Punjab was taken into custody and vehicle was seized. An FIR vide No-15/2021 under Sections 8/15 of NDPS Act was registered at Police Station Chanderkot and further investigation is going on. The poppy straw was seized in pr magistrate Saif-ulla Shah. The entire operation was conducted under the direct supervision of Additional SP Rajni Sharma and SSP Ramban Haseeb-ul-Rehman.

#### 4 vehicles seized for illegal mining **■ STATE TIMES NEWS**

SAMBA: Continuing its drive against illegal mining and illegal transportation of construction material, Samba Police seized 4 vehicles from across the district, which were being used for illegal mining and transportation of construction

Acting on reliable information regarding illegal mining/transportation of construction material (sand) from Basantar River-Bed, a team from Police Station Samba rushed to spot and seized 2 Tractor-Trolleys which were without registration numbers and transporting construction material illegally. Similarly, a team from Police Station Ghagwal, while performing vehicle checking at Naka NHW, Tapyal intercepted two dumpers (JK02CK-0975 & JK02CB-7063) for illegal transportation of construction material (Bajri). All 4 vehicles intercepted by Samba Police in aforementioned incidents were seized on the spot and cases were entrusted to Geology & Mining Department, Samba for further action.

#### 26 bovines rescued, 2 smugglers arrested **■ STATE TIMES NEWS**

SAMBA: Continuing its drive against bovines smuggling, Police on Wednesday foiled attempt to smuggle bovines by rescuing 26 bovines and arrested two bovine smugglers.

As per details, a party from Police Station Ghagwal led by Kuldeep Raj SHO Ghagwal, while Naka checking at NH Tapyal, Ghagwal intercepted a truck (Tralla) bearing registration No UP22AT-0816, which was coming from Kathua side and moving towards Valley. During checking of vehicle, 22 bovines were found laden inside vehicle without any permission, which were rescued. The accused driver, identified as Akeel Ahmed, son of Shakeel Ahmed, resident of Bilaspur-Rampur, Uttar-Pradesh and associate Mohd Taseem, son of Sabbir Ahmed, resident of Pipal Sana, Ahatmali-Moradabad, Uttar-Pradesh were arrested on spot and a case vide FIR No. 58/2021 under sections 188 of IPC, 11 of PCA Act and 184 of MV Act was registered against them at Police Station Ghagwal. Meanwhile, Satwari police also rescued 4 bovines from a truck (JK02CQ-0410) at Dabbad area, however smugglers managed to escape from the spot.

#### Two held with sharp-edged weapons **■ STATE TIMES NEWS**

UDHAMPUR: Police on Wednesday arrested two persons with sharp-edged weapons. As per details, a party from Police Station Udhampur, during Naka near Air Force Road, signaled a car (JK21C 3441) to stop for checking.

During checking, police team recovered three sharp-edged weapons from the possession of two persons namely Sushant Pandotra, son of Jawar Lal, resident of Jaganoo and Mukesh Sharma, son of Dawarka Nath, resident of Kawa, Udhampur. Both the accused were arrested and a case vide FIR No. 98/2021 under Section 4/25 of Arms Act was registered against them at Police Station Udhampur.

#### 2 Narco-smugglers held with Charas ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

BANIHAL: Police on Wednesday arrested two drug peddlers along with 90 gm of Charas at T-Chowk, Banihal.

As per details, during routine checking at T Chowk Banihal, a party from Police Station Banihal intercepted two suspects namely Akir Ahmad, son of Ab Rashid Naik and Sajad Ahmed, son of Gh Hassan Naik, both residents of Kaskoot Naikpura, Tehsil Banihal for checking. During checking, 90 gm of Charas like substance was recovered from their possession. The duo was arrested on the spot and a case vide FIR No. 20/2021 under Section 8/20 of NDPS Act was registered at Police Station Banihal. The arrest as well as recovery was made by Inch Naveem-ul-Hag SHO Banihal under supervi sion of Ashish Gupta DySP (SDPO) Banihal, Rajni Sharma Addl SP Ramban and overall supervision of Haseeb-ur-

#### Bootlegger nabbed with 20 bottles of illicit liquor ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

AKHNOOR: Police on Wednesday nabbed a bootlegger and recovered 20 bottles of illicit liquor from his possession.

As per details, a party from Police Station Akhnoor during patrolling duty near Sohal, observed a person carrying a bag suddenly changed his direction and tried to run away, after noticing police. Acting swiftly, the alert Police party chased and nabbed him. During search of bag, 20 bottles of illicit liquor were recovered from his possession. The accused, identified as Om Prakash alias Kaka, son of Ambu Ram, resident of Nud Tehsil Akhnoor, was arrested on the spot and a case vide FIR No 63/2021 under Section 48A of Excise Act was registered against him at Police Station Akhnoor

### TRF commander spotted in Srinagar, alert sounded: Police

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Inspector-General of Police (IGP) Kashmir Vijay Kumar has said that that police has received a tip-off about presence of Lashkar-e-Toiba (TRF) Commander Abbas in Chanapora area of Srinagar, after which an alert has been sounded. "We received inputs about Lashkar (TRF) Chief Abbas's presence in Chanapora area of Srinagar. An alert has been sounded and active vigil is being maintained," IGP Kashmir informed a press conference at Srinagar. He said that frisking has been intensified and all means of intelligence are in active mode.

#### Phallian Mandal triple murder: Villagers protest outside GMC, lathicharged

■ STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Villagers & relatives of persons killed in Phallian



Mandal firing and triple murder case on Wednesday staged outside GMC Jammu and demanded compensation for kids of deceased woman. However, police resorted to mild Lathicharge to disperse protesters.

As per case, a constable deployed with security wing of Jammu and Kashmir Police on Tuesday night killed his wife mother in-law and father-in-law with his service weapon (AK-47 assault rifle) at Phallian Mandal area falling under jurisdiction of Satwari Police Station. As per details, an information was received at Police Post Mandal Phallian that constable Rajinder Kumar alias Ravi, son of Madan Lal, resident o Gajansoo, fired upon his wife and in-laws identified as Seema Devi (wife), Romesh Kumar (father-in-law) and Raj Kumari (mother-in-law) at their home in Allora village of Phallain Mandal with his service weapon. His mother-in-law died on the spot while father-in-law and wife, both succumbed to injuries at GMC Jammu. Acting swiftly, a police with active assistance from locals arrested accused from Gajansoo area. His service weapon along with 51 rounds has also been seized The couple with two kids was having estranged relations.

Today, villagers and relatives of deceased staged protest outde at GMC by halting traffic by parking tractors in mid o road. They alleged that police in place of giving them bodies of victims after postmortem, sent them to house without their knowledge. During protest, they also demanded compensation for kids of victim woman.

#### Search operation in Hirangar after spotting of drone ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

HIRANAGAR: A search operation was launched in Hirangar after a drone was spotted on Wednesday. As per details, BSF Jawan spotted a drone near BoP Chandwa on Tuesday night which was coming from Pak's Pappu post after which police was informed. In morning SOG and BSF jointly carried out search operation in the area

## Woman's murder in Kathua; Supari killing angle came out

KATHUA: In murder case of 55-year-old woman, who was found dead inside her house in Kathua district on Tuesday, Police has ascertained Supari killing behind it. As per case, Bholi Devi was living alone at her house in Parliwand village following a dispute with her husband namely Madan Gopal. During initial investigation and inspection of crime scene, a theft attempt was suspected behind murder. Her husband and two others were nabbed by the Police in this connection and after questioning it was disclosed that husband of deceased had given Supari to kill her two years back. Police is further investigating the matter.

#### Three nabbed with heroin ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

KATHUA: Police on Wednesday nabbed three persons with heroin at Kathua. As per details, acting on as specific information, Kathua police laid a Naka in the area and nabbed three persons. During frisking, 9 gm heroin was recovered from their possession. A case under relevant sections of law was registered against trio.

#### Man dies in mishap ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

KATHUA: A man died in a road mishap at Kathua area on Wednesday. As per details, Rajinder Kumar, resident of Jathani was hit by a tractor in the area, due to which he got injured. He was rushed to hospital but he succumbed to injuries. Police has registered a case and started investigation

#### Three bodies found

#### **■ STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Three bodies were found from different areas of city on Wednesday. As per details, locals spotted a body near Mahamaya temple, after which they informed police which shifted it to mortuary for identification. Meanwhile, a body was found from Chenab river at Kishtwar while another was found from Basohli area. Identity of all these bodies is yet to be ascertained.