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Anti-encroachment drive: Man arrested for making objectionable remarks in social media

31-member Tennis Volleyball team leaves for Nationals



I&K adds 19 coronavirus cases

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir's COVID-19 caseload increased to 4,53,677 on Monday with 19 fresh infections while the death toll remained unchanged at 4 750 officials said

Of the fresh cases, two were from the Jammu division and 17 from the Kashmir division of the union territory, they said. Srinagar district

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Website: www.statetimes.in, Email: statetimes1@gmail.com

price for their actions: LG

LG Manoj Sinha addressing the commemorative event to mark 150 years of J&K Police's selfless service to people.

as constable in JKP

Announces ex-gratia of Rs 10 Lakh to the parents

>> We have given full freedom to our security forces

Umar. One of his brothers, an SPO will be promoted

to crush the terrorists and their associates, says LG

of martyr's SPO Ishfaq Ahmad & his brother

STATE TIMES NEWS

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Monday announced ex-gratia of Rs 10 Lakh to the parents of martyrs SPO Ishfaq Ahmad and his brother Umar, who were brutally killed by terrorists. One of his brothers, an SPO will be promoted as constable in the Jammu Kashmir Police.

The Lt Governor was speaking at a commemorative event- "Aye Watan Tere Live" organized to mark 150 years of J&K Police's selfless >> Those involved in terrorist acts & anti-national activities will not be spared. Properties used for willfully harboring terrorists & furthering terrorism will be confiscated: LG

Lauding the role of police

and security personnel in

ensuring a safe environment

for the people of J&K, the Lt

Governor paid his humble

JKP, CAPF and Army, who laid down their lives for the country. Concrete measures have been taken by the government to discharge

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STATE TIMES NEWS

Terrorists have to pay very heavy CJ administers oath to newly appointed

JAMMU: Chief Justice of High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, Justice Pankaj Mithal, on Monday administered the oath of office to two newly appointed Judges- Justice Rahul Bharti and Justice Moksha Khajuria Kazmi as Additional Judges of the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, in the Court Room of Chief Justice at Jammu.

The Oath taking ceremony was physically attended at Jammu by Justice Tashi Rabstan, Justice Sanjeev Kumar, Justice Sindhu Justice Sharma, Vinod Chatterji Koul, Justice Puneet Gupta, Justice Javed Iqbal Wani, Justice Mohammad Akram Chowdhary while as Justice Magrey, Ali Mohammad Justice Dhiraj Singh Thakur, Justice Rajnesh Oswal, Justice Sanjay Dhar and Justice Mohan Lal



administering oath of office to two newly appointed Judges- Justice Rahul Bharti and Justice Moksha Khajuria Kazmi on Monday.

virtually from Srinagar.

The proceedings of the Oath taking ceremony were conducted by Sanjeev Gupta, Registrar General of the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh who read the contents of the notification received from Government of India, Ministry of Law & Justice, Department of Justice, the

issued by the President of India and the Letter of Authorization issued by the Lieutenant Governor, Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir, authorising the Chief Justice of the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, to administer the oath of office to two newly appointed Judges.

The ceremony was also

Judges of High Court, Advocate General, D C Raina; Chief Secretary, Dr. Arun Kumar Mehta; Secretary Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, Achal Sethi: Assistant Solicitor General of India, Jammu, President Bar Association, Jammu, District Judges posted $^{\mathrm{at}}$ Headquarter, Members

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Enemy nation using narcotics to destroy coming generation: Army

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A senior army officer on Monday cautioned youngsters against drug abuse saying the enemy nation is using narcotics as a weapon to destroy our coming generations. Officer

General Commanding (GOC) White Knight Corps Lt Gen Manjinder Singh said this addressing a cultural function held in Mendhar town of Poonch district.

The event was organised by Bhimber Gali Brigade under the Ace of Spades Division'.

The officer also announced the Jammu Premier League from this year to be held on

Omar thanks Kerala Guv for

confirming Faroog's stand on

Rubaiya Sayeed kidnapping

Conference leader Omar

thanked Kerala Governor

Arif Mohammad Khan for

confirming that the then J-K

chief minister Farooq

Abdullah had opposed the

release of terrorists in

Baby found abandoned on

Guwahati-Jammu train

JAMMU: A two-month-old

girl was found abandoned on

Amarnath Express' which

had reached here from

Guwahati, an official of child

help desk at Jammu Railway station said on Monday, as

efforts are on to trace out

The baby was handed over

to Child Welfare Committee

(CWC) after her rescue on

Saturday, coordinator, child

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help desk of Childline

her parents.

Max: 33

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exchange of Rubaiya

Monday

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SRINAGAR:

Abdullah on

pattern of Kashmir Premier League, a Twenty20 cricket league started by the army in the valley in 2011 to engage young people in positive

activity.

The league will see participation of one team from each of the 10 districts of Jammu region, he said.

The teams are sponsored by the army, which also provides them with cricket kits and refreshments during the tournament.

send militants and weapons but now they are also using narcotics as a weapon to destroy our coming

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ED claims nexus between bureaucrats, dealers in J&K illegal arms licence issuance case the Union territory

■ STATE TIMES NEWS NEW

DELHI: The Enforcement Directorate on Monday said it has seized "incriminating" documents that allegedly indicate transactions between weapon dealers and bureaucrats in issuance of illegal arms licences in Jammu and Kashmir between 2012-16. The agency, which is prob-

ing the case under the antimoney laundering law, said it The enemy nation used to had launched raids against some IAS and Kashmir Administrative Service (KAS) officers, junior government officials and arms dealers on March 24 across Searches have been con-

ducted at 11 locations, including residential premises of Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer Rajeev Ranjan (former DC, Kupwara), KAS officers Itrat Hussain (former DC, Kupwara) and Ravinder Kumar Bhatt (former ADC, Kupwara), and former judicial clerks at arms section in DC office, Kupwara Tariq Ather and Gajan Singh, the Enforcement Directorate (ED) said in a statement.

The residential premises of six arms dealers of Jammu and Kashmir, including Amarnath Bhargaya (Varun Armoury), brother Mukesh Bhargava (Bhargava Gun House). Surject Singh (Deshmesh Armoury), Mohinder Kotwal (Mohinder Kotwal Arms & Ammunition). Manohar Singh (Swaran Arms & Ammunition), and Devi Dayal Khajuria (Khajuria Arms) were also searched, it

Cash worth Rs 1.58 crore, 1.76 kg gold valued at about Rs 92.30 lakh and "digital exhibits" have been seized. the federal probe agency

"Incriminating documents

in the form of property documents and loose papers revealing transactions the between dealers/brokers and government officers/officials have been seized," it said.

The ED case registered under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) stems from an August 2018 FIR of the CBI (special crime branch, Chandigarh) where it was alleged that bulk issuance of arms licences has taken place in Jammu and Kashmir between 2012-2016. About 2.78 lakh arms licenses

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Two LeT operatives arrested in Budgam; grenade hurled at SFs camp in Shopian STATE TIMES NEWS Ganai son of Shahzad

SRINAGAR: Security forces on Monday arrested two terrorists belonging to Lashkare-Toiba (LeT) outfit from Budgam district of Jammu and Kashmir, police said.

"Police along with other security forces have arrested two active terrorists linked with proscribed terror outfit inBudgam. Incriminating material, arms and ammunition including a pistol have been recovered from their possession," a police spokesman said.

He said the terrorists were arrested from Sunnergund area of Budgam and identified them as Waseem Ahmad Ahmad Ganai resident of Ramnagri Shopian & Iqbal Ashraf Sheikh son of Mohammed Ashraf Sheikh resident of Sedow Shopian.

Incriminating material, arms and ammunition including a Chinese Pistol. two pistol magazines, 12 pistol rounds and 32 AK-47 rounds have been recovered from their possession, the spokesman said.

A case under relevant sections of the law has been registered and investigations were going on, he added.

Meanwhile, terrorists

lobbed a grenade at a

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Scindia inaugurates Indigo's flight on Indore-Jammu route

STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Aviation Minister Jvotiraditva Scindia on Monday virtually inaugurated IndiGo's flight on the Indore-Jammu route, a statement said.

The Indore-Jammu flight will operate four times a week, the airline's statement said

The flight will depart from Indore at 10.10 AM and land in Jammu at 12.05 PM on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday it said.

The return flight will depart from Jammu at 12.35 PM and land in Indore at 2.45 PM on the aforementioned four days, it said. IndiGo said it operates a

total of 632 weekly flights to and from Madhya Pradesh, including connections from destinations like Bhopal, Indore, Jabalpur, and

"Today is an important day. Hindustan's crown (Jammu-Kashmir) is getting connected with the heart of the country. Indore, the historic city of Maa Ahilya and the cleanest city in the nation, Scindia said while addressing the programme virtually from

Scindia said the city will soon get connected to

Chandigarh Visakhapatnam as well. Referring to the expansion

of airport facilities here, he said after an international cargo terminal, the city will also have a domestic cargo terminal, while three new aero-bridges were being

Permission to convert an old airport in the city into a state hangar has also arrived from concerned authorities, Scindia said at the function, which was also addressed virtually by the Union ministers Jitendra Singh and VK

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Work on Zojila project nears halfway mark

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SONAMARG: The work on the strategic Zojila Tunnel, which will provide all-weather connectivity between Ladakh region and the rest of the country, is nearing the halfway mark as the excavation for seven-km tunnel length has been completed, officials said here on

Monday. "The works have been carried out on a war footing. We have completed 40-45 per cent of road works and tunnel works so far. The tunnel excavation works of 7,002 metres have been completed as of now," said an official of Mega Engineering

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Bus falls into gorge near Nowshera; 1 dead, 56 injured

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A 65-vear-old passenger was killed and several others injured on Monday when a speedily driven bus skidded off the road and rolled down into a gorge near Nowshera in Rajouri district, officials said.

The bus, carrying over 50 passengers, was on way from Pukharni village Nowshera and the accident took place at Debatta near Lam village around 10:00 AM, the officials said.

They said rescue teams comprising locals, army and police evacuated nine seriously injured persons to hospital, where one of them Bilal Hussain of Pukharni village



People rescuing injured from bus at accident spot.

succumbed to injuries. Several others who had

received superficial injuries were discharged after first

Indian Army snipers get

A defence spokesman said troops of the Rashtriya Rifles helped in the rescue efforts. Regardless of

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Citizen Groups in Srinagar, Budgam, Kulgam plotting 'mob lynching' of terrorists

1980s PUNJAB MODEL BEING REPLICATED TO FINISH TERRORISM IN KASHMIR

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: After brutal assassination of the Special Police Officer of Jammu and Kashmir Police Ishfaq Ahmad Dar and his brother Umar Ahmad Dar of Nasrullahpora, Budgam, several citizen groups in Srinagar, Budgam and Kulgam have formed certain groups to lynch terrorist hiding among civilian popula-

Quoting top sources, a Srinagar based news agency KNA has reported that the security establishment has received reliable inputs indicating that citizens fed up of despicable murder of common Kashmir by Pakistani

sponsored terrorism, have decided to replicate Punjab model of 80s when several Kahlistani terrorists were lynched by the people in broad day light.

"Security establishment has been alerted about this developing scenario to ensure peobecoming active here," sources said.

ple do not take law into their own hands. There have been several cases in the rest of the country where people have publicly lynched and killed criminals and we are apprehensive of similar situation with vigilante groups

The uptick in the number of deaths of civilians including those of the minority

of anger and outrage among the people in Kashmir. As terrorists stalked the streets, killing even school teachers with unprecedented violence, Kashmiri youth appears to be restoring confidence among a stricken populace.

While many Kashmiris are exposing Pakistan for its nefarious designs and its terrorism lobby, which are targeting civilians and local policemen, certain other groups have started functioning in the last two-three months to kill the terrorists hiding in dense population.

"Things on ground are changing Many too. Kashmiris have formed local

groups in terror hit districts and are ready to avenge innocents' blood. First such input was received last year but since then there has been continuous flow of information about Kashmiri youth plotting mob lynching,' sources further added.

While the security establishment is cautious, the development is quietly being appreciated by elders and common folks in the society.

"Things are changing and Kashmir is changing too", said one of the local Kashmiri who represents a group to fight against terrorists in his locality . He gives an example of Punjab -"Look at Punjab it is the

local population that helped in neutralising terrorists, Why can't we follow the same", he said.

Kashmir is experiencing a period of relative stability and peace due to successful counter terrorism operations, and drop in cross border infiltration along the Line of Control. For the first time civilians had come out on street to protest against terrorists last month.

"We think this is very important for the locals of respective areas to stop sheltering terrorists. It is also important to keep a watch in their locality," said another youth. A senior citizen

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latest Sako TRG-42 rifles **STATE TIMES NEWS**

PALLANWALA (LOC): The Indian Army has inducted the latest sniper rifles from Finland for soldiers deployed along the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu and Kashmir, officials said.

"The latest sniper rifles have been inducted into the army. They are using it now. These are Sako .338 TRG-42 sniper rifles, a senior official told PTI.

The Sako .338 TRG-42 sniper rifles have a better range, firepower, and telescopic sights than those possessed by the adversary, the official said.

Snipers along the LoC are being trained on the new rifles, he said.

The move is to make the snipers more lethal amid a dynamics along the LoC, the official said.

change in operational

Sniping has been a bigger challenge for the troops patrolling forward areas along the LoC and the International Border (IB) in Jammu and Kashmir, said the official.

Between 2018 and 2019, there was a sudden increase in the number of sniping incidents along the LoC and IB prompting armed forces to induct better sniper rifles and train its snipers against such attacks.

The Sako rifles have replaced the .338 Lapua Magnum Scorpio TGT by Beretta, and the .50 Calibre M95 by Barrett, which were inducted in the Indian

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Max: 27.4°C Max: 56 Min: 20 Sunset: 18:49 Hours Sunrise: 06:26 Hours

Min: 33

Temperature (Srinagar)