

Three booked with Ganja, illicit liquor

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REASI: Continuing drive against drug abuse and drug peddlers launched by District Reasi Police, on directions of SSP Reasi Amit Gupta, Police laid surprise Nakas in district and booked three drug peddler-illicit liquor smugglers and recovered 1.150 Kg of banned drug Ganja and 60 bottles of illicit liquor from their possession.

As per details, team of Police Station Katra led by Insp Sunil Sharma SHO Katra under supervision of Kuljeet Singh SDPO Katra during surprise raids, checking & frisking at Police check Post Serhi stopped a scooter (JK 14 H-7058) coming from Panthal towards Katra. On checking of vehicle, 1.150 Kg of banned drug Ganja like substance was recovered from possession of drug-peddler identified as Suraj, son of Indru, resident of Serwad, Tehsil Katra, who was arrested on the spot. FIR No. 69/2022 under section 8, 20, 25 of NDPS Act was registered at Police Station Katra and vehicle was also seized.

In another incident in Mahore area, a surprise Naka was laid near Dak Bungalow Mahore by a party from Police Station Mahore under supervision of SHO Mahore Insp Jasvinder Choudhary and SDPO Chabail Singh. During checking of vehicles, police party intercepted two suspects, later identified as Mumtaz Ahmed, son of Ahmed Din and Mohd Ashraf, son of Majid, both residents of Mahore. 60 bottles of illicit liquor (750 ml each) were recovered from their possession. Duo was arrested and FIR No. 11/2022 under section 48(A)(F)50 of Excise Act was registered against them at Police Station Mahore.

Missing girl traced, reunited with family

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JAMMU: Police on Saturday traced a missing girl and reunited with her family.

As per details, a complaint was lodged at Police Station Domana by the legal heirs of girl stating that she went missing from her home. In this regard, a missing report was registered at Police Station Domana and investigation started. On this, a police team under supervision of SDPO Domana Sunil Singh led by SHO Domana Insp Mahesh Sharma, after putting in hectic efforts, traced the missing girl successfully. Subsequently, her family was informed and she was handed-over to them after completing all legal formalities.

7 vehicles seized for illegal mining

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JAMMU: In a quest to stern menace of illegal mining, a multi-pronged strategy was devised by Jammu Police in which police teams of Police Stations Satwari, Akhnoor, Police Posts Belicharan, Phallain Mandal and Chatha acted stringently on the specific inputs and raided at different locations in their respective areas and seized 7 different vehicles involved in illegal mining.

The seized vehicles included a Dumper (JK02BV 6606) and two tractor-trolleys bearing Chassis Nos. QXTA30405031437 and MBNAALXBRHI03216 seized by Satwari police; a tractor-trolley (JK02CG-0167) seized by Akhnoor Police; a Tractor Trolley bearing Chassis No. MBNAAL2BLJG00761 seized by Belicharan police; a tractor-trolley (JK02CF 8017) seized by Phallain Mandal police and a tractor-trolley without registration number seized by Chatha police. The recoveries were made by SHO Satwari Insp Sameer Jeelani, SHO Akhnoor Insp Hilal Azhar, Incharge Police Post Belicharan PSI Jeevan Kumar, Incharge Police Post Phallain Mandal PSI Ajesh Singh Jamwal and Incharge Police Post Chatha SI Ranjith Singh in their respective jurisdictions. DMO Jammu was also intimated about the same.

Narco smuggler nabbed with over 1 Kg Charas

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JAMMU: Continuing its drive against drug trafficking and substance abuse, Jammu Police arrested a narco smuggler and recovered 1 Kg 30 grams Charas from his possession at Nagrota.

As per details, a team from Police Station Nagrota led by SHO Insp Vishav Pratap Singh while on patrolling duty got information that a person has hidden some narcotic substance in his cattle shed. On this, a police team raided the spot and rounded up accused identified as Dewan Chand, son of Nand Lal, resident of Chak Rakwal Nagrota. On search of his cattle shed, 1 Kg 30 gm Charas was recovered. He was arrested and FIR 81/2022 under sections 8/20 of NDPS Act was registered at Police Station Nagrota. The arrest and recoveries were made under the supervision of SDPO Nagrota Parddeep Kumar.

Police proclaims Court notice by beating drums

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JAMMU: Police on Saturday proclaimed a notice against an offender by beating drums in Bahu Fort area.

As per details, in compliance to order of the Court, SHO Bahu Fort Insp Nayat Ali along with other officials beat the drum, made announcements and attached court order at conspicuous places to make accused and his legal heirs aware of same. Court Jammu

Special screening of 'The Kashmir Files' held in Jammu

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JAMMU: Just a week before from official release in theatres, the makers of much-talked-about movie 'The Kashmir Files' of National award winning filmmaker Vivek Ranjan Agnihotri with Pallavi Joshi, Darshan Kumar and Bhasha Sumbli among cast, hosted a special screening of exodus drama at Ground Zero in Jammu, wherein several influential personalities, politicians, army officers and known Kashmiri Pandits were invited.

Post screening, the makers interacted with every individual present and took their feedback on tragic story that needs to be told to the world. Not only distinguished guests were moved



Filmmaker Vivek Ranjan Agnihotri addressing a press conference at Jammu.

by narrative and plight of Kashmiri Pandits after watching the movie, but also praised Vivek's vision and guts to make a film on such challenging and unspoken subject. Post screening, the makers also convened a media interaction. During end of last year, Vivek and his wife-actress Pallavi Joshi visited USA for over a month-long schedule of special screenings of their highly-anticipated movie

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'The Kashmir Files' across different cities. Touted to be one of the most important, relevant and unreported story of Indian history, Vivek's 'The Kashmir Files' was invited by several prestigious institutes and organizations in USA. Living up to its title, 'The Kashmir Files' is a true story, based on video interviews of first generation victims of Kashmiri genocide. It's a heart-wrenching nar-

rative of pain, suffering, struggle and trauma of Kashmiri Pandit community and questions eye-opening facts about democracy, religion, politics and humanity.

Written and directed by Vivek Ranjan Agnihotri, the exodus drama features a stellar cast of actors including Mithun Chakraborty, Anupam Kher, Darshan Kumar, Pallavi Joshi and Chimay Mandlekar. Produced by Zee Studios and Tej Narayan Agarwal, Abhishek Agarwal, Pallavi Joshi and Vivek Ranjan Agnihotri, 'The Kashmir Files', written and directed by Vivek Agnihotri is scheduled to release in theatres on March 11, 2022.

Behind this changed response of the voters, said Dr Jitendra, there has been a huge lot of serious strategization with sensitivity.

One of the important factors, he said, is that all the public welfare schemes and programmes rolled out by the Modi government provided benefits to every section of society in every region regardless of whether they voted for BJP or not in the last election.

To substantiate this observation, he said, one just needs to go through the list of beneficiaries of path-breaking schemes like Ujjawala, PM Awas Yojna, Mudra Yojna, etc., which finds beneficiaries across the country in every caste, creed, religion and region, regardless of political or ideological affiliations. Even in the State of Uttar

Pradesh, said Dr Jitendra, where some political elements tried to ignite communal strife during the election campaign, what is not realised is that there is a large number of silent voters, particularly among the women, even in the Muslim community who may not openly say so but who are the grateful beneficiaries of Triple Talaq Law.

Similarly, Dr Singh said, whatever may be the other problems, the common people, particularly the parents, are ready to bar gain anything for a peaceful atmosphere free of crime where they can, without any apprehension, allow their daughters to move out of the house for educational or professional purposes. And this rule of law was provided by the BJP Govt in the last five years after a protracted phase of crime and hooliganism, he said.

BJP winning UP with pro-incumbency vote: Dr Jitendra

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NEW DELHI: In an exclusive interview to a national news agency on the last day of the campaign for UP Assembly election on Saturday, Union Minister and Senior BJP Central leader Dr Jitendra Singh said that BJP will be winning Uttar Pradesh election with pro-incumbency vote, thus breaking the jinx that the people of Uttar Pradesh rarely give a second term to any political party. Often it is seen, said Dr Jitendra, that a ruling Party, after five years invariably faces anti-incumbency sentiment.

However, ever since Narendra Modi took over as Prime Minister in 2014, the election pattern at the Centre and the State has thrown up a new phenomena in favour of pro-incumbency, which is sometimes difficult to comprehend, analyse or predict by

SDPO Bhadarwah Meer Gafor and SHO Jatinder Singh Rakwal immediately rushed to spot and joined rescue operation. After hectic efforts of police, fire tenders and locals, fire was brought under control. Police has taken the cognizance of fire incident and started investigation.

When contacted SHO Bhadarwah Jatinder Singh Rakwal said that no injury or casualty has been reported in incident and we are ascertaining cause of fire. However, in preliminary investigation, it seems it resulted due to some short-circuit. The shops belonged to Yasir Lone, son of Shoket Ahmed Lone, resident of Udrana Bhadarwah, who informed that property worth Rs 70 lakh has been reduced to ashes. He demanded that government should compensate the loss as he has borrowed loan from banks to enhance his business.

Meanwhile locals said that the loss could have been reduced if adequate water was available in area as no doubt sub-main pipes are in almost every inhabited area, but there is no fire hydrants installed. They demanded that fire hydrants should be installed in all inhabited areas of Bhadarwah.

Terrorist hideout busted in Kishtwar, arms & ammunition recovered

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KISHTWAR: Acting on specific information, security forces



launched a swift search operation last night in Chairhar village of Kishtwar. The team including Army's 26 RR, SoG Kishtwar and CRPF recovered a large quantity of war like stores and sustenance item from a natural cave hideout in Chairhar village. A senior Army officer said that security forces got information regarding suspicious movement of some persons for last two months and, therefore, a close watch was maintained. The recovered arms likely belong to one of the terrorist Tanzeem of the area, active in past, which could have been hidden for later usage. The area, due to its remoteness and rugged terrain, makes it an ideal location for establishing a hideout. The recovery of war like stores was possible only due to the accurate intelligence and launching of well synchronised joint operation by Army, JKP and CRPF. The recovery of this cache has given a major success to security forces and a massive blow to the terrorists.

Meanwhile, Police Station Pulwama received specific information through reliable sources that one Riyaz Ahmad Sheikh, son of Gh Mohd, resident of Bandoo is indulged in drug peddling and has hoarded a large quantity of narcotics in his house. On receipt of information, a party from Police Station Pulwama raided the location and during search, recovered 6 Kg of Bhang Patri. The accused was arrested and shifted to Police Station where he remained in custody. Accordingly, FIR No. 46/2022 under relevant sections of law was registered at Police Station Pulwama and investigation started.

According to a senior Army officer, the team recovered two UBGL, one AK 47 Magazine, one foldable knife, one bayonet, one Pikk belt, 48 rounds of INSAS ammunition, 40 rounds of 9mm ammunition and 10 rounds of AK ammunition and sustenance item from hideout.

Approximately 200 lts Lahan destroyed

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KATHUA: In a decisive action against consumption & production



of illegal liquor menace, Kathua Police under the overall supervision of SSP R C Kotwal on Saturday destroyed near about 200 lts Desi Lahan near Chadwal.

As per details, information was received from reliable source that illicit liquor is being manufactured in Tanda and adjoining areas of Police Post Chadwal. Acting swiftly, police team led by PSI Muzamil Manzoor Incharge police post Chadwal under supervision of SDPO Border Pankaj Soodan during special checking/ patrolling duty near Chadwal, found abundant quantity of illicit liquor (Desi Lahan), unattended in fields. On further checking, approximately 200 lts Desi Lahan was seized, which was destroyed later. Further investigation into the matter has been set into motion.

Two held after being on run for 25 years in Udhampur

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UDHAMPUR: Two people, wanted in separate cases of rash driving, were arrested on Saturday after a manhunt of 25 years in Udhampur district, police said.

As per details, absconders namely Amarjeet Singh, son of Rangeel Singh, resident of Karan Nagar, Jammu absconding in FIR No. 125/1992 under sections 279/338 of RPC, 185 of MV Act registered at Police Station Udhampur was arrested by a police team after 25 years. A warrant of arrest under section 512 of CrPC was also issued by Court of CJM Udhampur against accused on May 24, 1996.

Another absconder namely Ranjit Singh, son of Romal Singh, resident of Amphalla Jammu absconding in FIR No. 328/1992 under sections 279/304 of RPC registered at Police Station Udhampur was arrested from Jammu after developing reliable input about his whereabouts. A general warrant of arrest was issued against him by Court of CJM Udhampur on January 4, 1994.

Both absconders were arrested by a team of Police Station Udhampur led by Insp Chaman Gorkha under the supervision of Addl SP Udhampur Anwaar Ul Haq and DySP Hqrs Udhampur Sahil Mahajan and were produced in the Court of CJM Udhampur for further course of action.

Over 100 stranded passengers airlifted between J&K, Ladakh

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JAMMU: As many as 102 stranded passengers were airlifted by Indian Air Force (IAF) between twin Union territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh on Saturday, an official said.

Two AN-32 aircrafts of IAF, also known as Kargil Courier, operated and airlifted a total of 50 passengers between Jammu and Kargil and 52 between Srinagar and Kargil in different sorties. Chief Coordinator for the service Aamir Ali said. He said 39 passengers were airlifted from Jammu to Kargil and 11 from Kargil to Jammu, while 40 passengers were airlifted from Srinagar to Kargil and 12 from Kargil to Srinagar. IAF operates its C-17, C-130 and AN-32 aircraft regularly to airlift passengers stranded between Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh, in view of closure of 434-Km Srinagar-Leh National Highway since January owing to heavy snowfall.

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