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65 per cent population of J&K is youth. This demographic dividend is our biggest strength, the Lt Governor said.

On the occasion, the Lt Governor impressed upon the Mission Youth and Department of Information & Public Relations to create a network of youth through a Next Generation Coalition- JK programme.

Youth always work selflessly. They live for others. Youth's actions are not limited to their own benefit. The personality of the youth believes in sharing, the Lt Governor observed.

He said, youth-led fight against drugs will play a vital role in tackling the menace of drug abuse and achieving the goal of a drug-free Jammu Kashmir.

Youth spread the fragrance of their talent and energy to benefit all. They help the society to light the darker pathways to remove the darkness. The Administration will ensure all the necessary resources and handholding to the youth in their endeavours to serve the society, the Lt Governor further added.

The Lt Governor visited the exhibition stalls put up by the different departments at the Youth Conclave. He handed over appointment letters and benefits under various schemes to the beneficiaries.

Artists of Beats of J&K enthralled the audience with their electrifying performances. A short video on the journey of Film making in J&K was also showcased on the occasion.

Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar, Advisor to Lt Governor; Ramesh Kumar, Divisional Commissioner Jammu; Rehana Batul, Commissioner Secretary Information; Jatin Kishore, Director Information, senior officials, prominent personalities, renowned artists, young achievers and youth in large number were present.

Six JKAS among...

and posted as Assistant Commissioner (General), Jammu; Parvinder Kour, JKAS, Secretary, Jammu Municipal Corporation as Sub-Registrar, Jammu (North); Chand Singh, JKAS, Deputy Secretary, Transport Department as Secretary, Jammu Municipal Corporation; Manisha, JKAS, Assistant Commissioner (General), Jammu as Personnel Officer in the Directorate of School Education, Jammu; Savita Chouhan, JKAS, Sub-Registrar, Jammu (North) as Deputy Director Tourism, Jammu; Abdul Jabbar, JKAS, Deputy Director Tourism, Jammu as Deputy District Election Officer, Ramban; and Mohd Farooq Malik, under orders of transfer as Deputy District Election Officer, Ramban, has been posted as Development Officer, Handicrafts (Textiles), Jammu,

Winter vacation for...

advisory issued by the Meteorological Department predicting heavy snowfall in the valley, it is hereby ordered that classwork in all government and recognized private schools of the Kashmir Division up to the higher secondary level shall commence from 4th March 2024," the Kashmir School Education Director said in an order.

The winter break for students up to class 8 had started on November 28 last year, and for students of class 9 to 12 on December 11.

The teachers had resumed their duties on February 21, while the classwork was scheduled to resume on March 1.

The MeT Department has predicted a heavy to very heavy snowfall in the valley over the next few days.

Widespread moderate rain/snow is expected over most places of J&K from Thursday evening till March 3 with peak activity on March 1 night to March 2 night, an advisory issued by the MeT Department said.

A few places may experience heavy to very heavy snow, particularly the higher reaches of North Kashmir; Central & South Kashmir & Pir Panjal range of Jammu Division, it said.

Protection bund coming...

Punjab, Rajasthan, Gujarat, West Bengal, Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura and Mizoram and all these areas are protected by border fences and the rules are the same everywhere."

Boora said the central government has announced many schemes for the development of border villages and the impact of these schemes will be visible on the ground in the next few years.

Highlighting the importance of border residents in safeguarding the country, border security is incomplete without the cooperation of the border population.

"We are proud of our border population in Jammu region who are nationalist by core," he said, adding that in neighbouring Punjab, drug smuggling from across the border is a major challenge.

"The drugs are coming by drones and other means in Punjab because there are some elements who are promoting the business. When our own people are involved in such criminal activities, it becomes difficult (for the law enforcing agencies to tackle the situation)," he said, adding that when the border residents are nationalists, the entire focus of the border guarding forces remains on the front rather than looking behind.

Highlighting the cooperation of the border residents in securing the borders of the country, he said Dass had done a very good job for which he was rewarded.

SSP Sharma said the police headquarters had announced rewards to anyone sharing information regarding anti-national activities and Dass was handed over the cheque of Rs 3 lakh for helping in the recovery of enemy drones in January this year.

He said there is also a reward of Rs 5 lakh for anyone who locates the trans-border tunnel, used by anti-national elements to transport terrorists, explosives, and contraband consignments into Jammu and Kashmir from across the border.

"People have always been supportive in providing information to the forces. The rewards were announced just to glorify, certify and celebrate such people," he said.

Dass thanked the BSF and the police for rewarding him and said it is the duty of every individual to expose the enemy conspiracies and safeguard the country alongside the forces. "I was doing spray in my agriculture land on January 17 when I found a drone lying on the ground. I immediately informed BSF who later gave me Rs 50,000," he said, thanking police for the reward of Rs three lakhs.

Delay in arrest...

around on a rampage even after his arrest, he added.

Chugh said that Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee should now tell the people of the country and West Bengal as to who kept saving the criminal and why? Even if a case has been registered against a criminal, why was there a delay in his arrest? The arrest took place only after the order of the High Court, which makes it clear that the police are working under political pressure.

Chugh said that all these cases should be investigated seriously and impartially and strict action should be taken against the culprits. He said that Mamata Banerjee has become the face of Jimnah of modern India.

BRS MP Pothuganti...



D K Aruna and the party's OBC Morcha chief K Laxman were also present at the BJP headquarters on the occasion.

Welcoming the politicians to the BJP fold, Laxman called Ramulu, a BRS MP from Nagarkurnool Lok Sabha constituency, the "most dedicated Dalit leader" in Telangana.

"I welcome Ramulu to the BJP on behalf of the party chief J P Nadda. I also welcome other leaders of the BRS joining the BJP along with him. All these leaders have quit BRS and joined the BJP," Chugh told at a press conference at the party headquarters here.

He said the leaders joined the BJP as they were impressed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi's policies and work that his government has done for the development of the country. "From Kashmir to Kanyakumari and from Kutch to Guwahati, every day some or the other big leaders, social workers, doctors, engineers, who have dedicated their lives for the society, are joining the BJP," Chugh added.

Chandrasekhar said, "I am happy and grateful that they have joined Team Modi." "In Prime Minister Modi's efforts, vision and 'sankalp' (resolve) to create a viksit bharat (developed India), we all will work together as party workers and leaders to deliver on that goal of our prime minister," the MeitY MoS added.

Police felicitates informer...

resident of village Nandpur, noticed a suspicious object lying in his field near Border out Post (BoP) Chamliyal. On seeing suspicious object (drone), the informer

immediately rushed to the nearest BSF unit manned by BSF 148 Bn and informed about drone lying in his field. Acting swiftly on the information, the security forces recovered Pak surveillance drone fitted with camera from the field of the informer.

Speaking on the occasion, SSP Samba sought cooperation and support from general public living near IB in curbing the menace of narco-terrorism sponsored by Pakistan. SSP Samba further apprised the general public about different types of rewards recently announced by DGP J&K for people who will provide information and intelligence on trans-border tunnels, drones, narcotics, terror activities and terrorists.

IG BSF also interacted with local public and urged them to remain extra vigilant and ensured full cooperation of BSF to the people especially those who cultivate land near International Border.

The awardee expressed his gratitude towards J&K Police in rewarding cash and committed to serve the nation in future also.

It is worthwhile to mention here that J&K Police has recently announced different types of cash reward which includes: Cash reward of Rs 5 lakh for those who provide information about trans-border tunnel used by Anti-National Elements to transport terrorists, explosives and contraband consignments. Cash reward of Rs 3 lakh to those: a) who sights a drone flown from across the border to drop narcotics or explosive material and which leads to the recovery of the said dropped material, b) who gives actionable intelligence about person connected with receiving drone deliveries and/or transporting arms/ammunition/narcotics from border/LoC to hinterland or Punjab and the said intelligence gets corroborated during further action. Cash reward of Rs 2 lakh each has been announced for people providing information about inter-state narcotics modules, people talking to Pakistan based terrorists and separatists in jails and persons talking to or communicating with terrorist handlers across the border or with their agents within J&K and branding citizens as informers. Police also announced Rs 1 lakh cash reward for persons providing information about those inciting and encouraging people to join terrorist ranks and to pick up gun. Rs 2 lakh to Rs 12.50 lakh reward has been announced for those giving specific information about presence of terrorists, resulting in successful operation leading to arrest or combat, and cash reward will be provided as per category of A, B and C.

LG Manoj Sinha...

Praising LG's grievance cell, it said that many people have taken the LG grievance cell route, given the lack of direct representation in the state, in terms of elected leaders.

"He also meets a wide range of people in his offices in both Srinagar and Jammu. It also noted Sinha's online presence on social media site X (formerly known as Twitter), @manojnsinha where he has about 660.7K followers.

He joined as the second LG in Jammu and Kashmir on Aug 06 2020 and will complete his three years this year.

LG Sinha is also known as 'Vikas Purush' (leader involved in development). He is a three-time Lok Sabha MP and a seasoned politician from Uttar Pradesh.

He became MP for the first time in 1996 and then in 1999 and 2014. During his third term in 2014, he was appointed as the Minister of State for Railways and in 2016 served as the Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Communication.

This IE 100 2024 list spotlight the movers and shakers whose decisions reverberate across the nation and beyond, wielding power and influence in diverse spheres. From political titans to visionary entrepreneurs, from cultural icons to thought leaders, these individuals embody the dynamism and complexity of India's contemporary power structure. Notably, Prime Minister Narendra Modi topped The Indian Express' list of most powerful Indians in 2024. The list also features Home Minister Amit Shah, RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat, CJI DY Chandrachud, EAM S Jaishankar, UP CM Yogi Adityanath, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, BJP chief JP Nadda and Adani Group's Gautam Adani. Reliance Industries' Mukesh Ambani is also named.

BJP nominates members...

convenor and Balbir Ram Rattan, Co-convenor; Media Relations Management during the 2024 Parliamentary Elections in Jammu and Kashmir.

DG NIA visits...

Tuti, DIG SIA, Dr. Ajeet Singh Salaria, SSP NIA, Jammu Sandeep Choudhary were also present during the interaction.

During the meeting, the officers deliberated upon updates on ongoing investigation of terror crime cases and action plans to take them to logical conclusion.

Besides this, the officers exchanged ideas and insights regarding terrorism, terrorist-separatist ecosystem and new network of the national security adversaries in J&K to sustain the dwindling edifice of Pakistan sponsored anti-India campaign. The officers further decided that in pursuit of curbing terrorism, sharing of information and expertise plays an important role and therefore worked out plans to improve upon existing level of cooperation. Coordination in matters of training, court Pairavi, deputation of personnel were also discussed. The DGP J&K R.R. Swain also presented mementoes to the DG NIA and IG NIA.

Properties of six...

on Wednesday under sections 82 (proclamation of absconding person) and 83 (attachment of property of person absconding) of the Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC), the nab tehsildar, Kangan, accompanied by Ganderbal police attached six immovable properties, the officials said.

The properties belong to six proclaimed offenders who went to PoK for arms training. A case is registered against them at Kangan police station, the officials said. The offenders are at large across the border, they said.

Implement decisions without...

ensure that areas that require necessary intervention as far as power infrastructure is concerned are covered under the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS).

On the complaint of Mohd Iqbal from Uri, Baramulla pertaining to the construction of the Girls Hostel near Higher Secondary School Pehlipora, the Deputy Commissioner Baramulla informed the chair that the remaining construction work will be completed soon and the hostel will be operationalized within one month.

A complainant namely Sohail Khan from Jammu drew the attention of the administration on the issue of the functioning of Ticket counter and other facilities at Bus Stand Jammu. The Lt Governor directed the Divisional Commissioner, JMC Commissioner, JDA, Traffic police, Transport department and other stakeholder departments to take concrete measures to ensure the facilities at the Bus Stand Jammu and Multi-tier Parking are working properly and are available to the people. Addressing a grievance filed by Jashan Sambyal, a resident of Thalora Mandi, Samba regarding the dilapidated condition of the Sumb road, the Lt Governor directed the concerned Deputy Commissioner and officials to redress the issue at the earliest. Deputy Commissioner Samba informed the chair that the work on the said road is expected to be completed by the end of April this year.

Dr Syed Sehrish Asgar, Secretary, Public Grievances conducted the proceedings of the LG's Mulaqaat.

Atal Dulloo, Chief Secretary; Dheeraj Gupta, Additional Chief Secretary Forests; Administrative Secretaries; Divisional Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners, SSPs, HoDs and other senior officers were present during the interaction, in person and through virtual mode.

IndiGo announces direct...

Kolkata-Jammu-Kolkata route will have direct flights on the first, third and fifth Sundays, it said.

In addition, IndiGo also announced a new connecting flight between Kolkata and Jammu via Srinagar from April 10. It will be a daily service, the statement said.

Commencing March 31, it will be operating direct flights between Ahmedabad-Rajkot, Ahmedabad-Aurangabad, Bhopal-Lucknow and Indore-Varanasi, the airline said. "We are confident that these routes will not only enhance access and travel experiences, but also bolster economic ties across various states," Vinay Malhotra, Head of Global Sales, said.

DGP's Special Reward...

Bisma Altaf, Madina Yousuf, Hamid Javaid Khan, Saleena Shafi, Afshana Farooq, Arsalan Muzamil, Mohammad Zuhair Wani, Arshan Rasool Khan, Inayat Maqbool, Mumin Mutaqeen, Suhaib Hassan, Saqib Bashir, Sheikh Farooq, Arif Ahmad Bhat, Muzamil Farooq Mir, Danish Qadir, Saba Lone, Pratham Andotra, Nauman Rafiq Mirza, Mohd Irfan Khan, Pankaj Mangotra, Shriya, Fidha Yousuf Reshi, Suhaib Firdous, Nowreena Anjeer, Heena Raqsaar, Anifa Sayar, Aditya Singh, Majid Malik, Muzamil Amin, Ateeb Younis, Owais Ahmad Khan, Prashita Kalsotra, Tanveer Singh, Piyush Sharma, Uzma Yousuf, Aabiroo Nabi, Manik Gouria, Muneeb Akhter and Muntazim Jehangir.

2 girls injured in low-intensity blast in Rajouri; 25 detonators recovered

STATE TIMES NEWS

RAJOURI: Two girls were injured in a low-intensity explosion at a village in the Rajouri district of Jammu and Kashmir following which security forces recovered over two dozen detonators from there, officials said on Thursday.

Tasveer Kouser (10) and Saima Kouser (15) suffered injuries in their hands after they fiddled with some unidentified substance while returning from school at village Doongi-Brahmana on Wednesday, the officials said.

Initially, it was believed that the girls had suffered burn injuries due to bursting of crackers but later the nature of injuries pointed towards low-intensity explosion, they said, referring to the severe damage caused to their fingers.

Following the incident, police and Rashtriya Rifles troops launched a joint cordon and search operation in the village, leading to the recovery of over two dozen detonators.

The search operation in the area is still in progress, the officials said, adding the nature of the detonators and their sources is not known yet.

Senior army and police officers are camping at the operation site to monitor investigation, they said. No arrest has been made so far in connection with the recovery of the detonators.

IT students of GHSS Kathar Manwal embark on industrial visit

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A group of IT students of classes 9th and 11th from Govt Higher Secondary School (GHSS) Kathar Manwal under the supervision of



Students and faculty members of GHSS Kathar during visit to wave cinema.

Principal Vandana Gupta along with Vocational Trainer Anil Gagan and other staff members embarked on an industrial visit to Wave Cinema at Jammu.

The purpose of the visit was to provide students with practical insights into the application of information technology in the entertainment industry.

Students were given a detailed demonstration of Wave Cinema's digital projection systems, showcasing the integration of IT in delivering high-quality visuals to the audience.

The visit also included a session on sound technologies employed by Wave Cinema to create immersive audio experiences. Students learned about surround sound systems and their role in enhancing movie viewing.

Wave Cinema's online ticketing platform was explored to understand how IT facilitates seamless booking processes for customers. The integration of payment gateways and user-friendly interfaces were emphasized.

Students were briefed on the IT-driven security measures implemented at Wave Cinema, including surveillance systems and data encryption protocols, ensuring the safety of both patrons and sensitive information.

The visit provided students with firsthand exposure to the practical application of IT solutions in the entertainment industry, reinforcing classroom learning with real-world examples.

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