

# Amar Singh College holds Mehendi Art Competition

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SRINAGAR: Under the flagship programme of Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP), the Electoral Literacy Club (ELC) of Amar Singh College, Srinagar on Saturday organized a Mehendi Art Competition themed 'My Vote My Pride' at Tasveer Hall of the college premises.

delivered a comprehensive briefing about the activity, emphasizing the pivotal role of voter awareness in fostering a vibrant democracy. He urged the participants to actively engage in promoting voter education and empowerment, highlighting the importance of informed decision-making in the electoral process.

vibrant displays of creativity, as participants adorned their hands with intricate Mehendi designs incorporating elements symbolizing electoral participation, civic responsibility, and democratic values. The atmosphere was charged with energy and enthusiasm, reflecting the collective commitment towards fostering a culture of informed and active citizenship.

# Zonal, Sectoral Magistrates imparted election training

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SHOPIAN: In view of the upcoming Lok Sabha Elections, Zonal and Sectoral Magistrates were on Saturday imparted training under the supervision of District Election Officer, Shopian, Faz Lal Haseeb at Mini-Secretariat, here. The second round of training for Magistrates was aimed to acquaint them with necessary knowledge and skills for effectively carrying out their duties during the electoral process.

The DEO emphasized the importance of maintaining law and order; overseeing polling stations and ensuring the safety and security of voters. He also stressed the significance of impartiality, transparency and strict adherence to the model code of conduct. On the occasion, training was imparted by Master Trainer, Bilal Ahmed. The training session focused on equipping the Magistrates with the skills to handle any potential issues or challenges that may arise on Election Day.

# DEO flags off Vibrant Shikara Rally to promote voter awareness

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
BARAMULLA: In an endeavour to raise awareness about various election-related activities as part of SVEEP (Systematic Voter Education Electoral Participation), the District Election Officer, Baramulla, Minga Sherpa in presence of Chief Education Officer, Balbir Singh Raina, on Saturday flagged off a vibrant Shikara Rally in Jhelum River at Baramulla.

The rally is part of a series of impactful events including snow festival at Ladoo Ladoora, Boat Racing at Watlab, Snow Sporting Event at Tangmarg, organized by the District Administration Baramulla under the SVEEP initiative, aimed at promoting awareness about the electoral process throughout the district.

and raise awareness about the election procedures in order to empower the electorates, especially first time voters to effectively participate in the elections. Minga Sherpa further highlighted that during these awareness events the electorates, especially young voters are educated by the election officials about various election procedures in place and the guidelines of the ECI they need to adhere to, for exercising their democratic right.

## CRIME REPORT

### Man brutally murdered in R S Pura, killers on run

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
R S PURA: A sensational incident has come to light under police station R S Pura, in which some goons attacked a man on Magowali to Sai Pindi road, chopped his hands and took away with them. Police team reached the spot and shifted the injured to the Government Medical College, Jammu, where he succumbed.

Some eyewitnesses of this incident said that the attackers were four to five in number and all were armed with sharp weapons. As soon as information about the incident was received, police arrived rushed the spot, launched investigation and started manhunt.

According to the information, deceased person has been identified as Rakesh Kumar, son of Melaram, resident of Balesar village. It was told that on Saturday afternoon, Rakesh Kumar was going towards village Dabhal on his scooter when he was stopped by some goons travelling in a car who attacked him with sharp weapons, chopped out off both his hands and took them with them.

### Jammu shepherd faked abduction story to avoid sheep owners; booked

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: A shepherd here was booked for misleading police after he came up with a fake story of his abduction and later investigations revealed that he had done it to avoid paying money to sheep owners, police said on Saturday.



Kala Khan, a resident of Moghla-Teryath in Rajouri district, lodged a complaint at Police Station Nowabad in Jammu city, claiming that he was abducted and robbed of Rs 5 lakh by a group of four unidentified persons, a police spokesperson said.

The incident took place on March 18 when he reached Jammu from south Kashmir's Pulwama district, Khan said, adding that the money was from the sale of a herd of sheep and goats.

Sensing the gravity of the matter, a case under various sections of the Indian Penal Code was immediately registered and during investigation by a special team, the needle of suspicion pointed on the complainant himself, the spokesperson said.

During thorough questioning, he said the complainant broke down and confessed that he had narrated a false story as he had to pay back around 8 Lakhs to different persons from Budhal, Samote, Moghla and Teryath area as he had taken goats and sheep from them to sell off in Kashmir.

"As he had no money because so many goats/sheep died due to illness while the owners were demanding their money back, he concocted a false story to get rid from them," he said.

He said while the investigation of the case has been closed as not-admitted, proceedings under section 182 Indian Penal Code (IPC) have been initiated against the complainant for misleading police by reporting false story.

### 4 years old boy crushed to death by cab in Doda

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
DODA: A 4-year-old boy was crushed to death by a speedy vehicle in Baggar area of Assar sub-division in district Doda this afternoon.



An official said that the boy was hit by a vehicle in Baggar area, on Batote-Doda-Kishtwar NHW244, following which he was taken to Community Health Centre Batote.

He said that the boy succumbed to his injuries on way to the hospital. He has been identified as Bhanu Pratap son of Bachan Singh of Ganota area of Assar.

Police have taken the cognizance of the matter and registered a case in this regard.

### Missing girl among 2 traced, reunited with families

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SAMBA: Police ON Saturday reunited a missing girl with her family whose missing report was lodged at Police Post Goran falling in the jurisdiction of Police Station Samba.

On March 19, 2024, a written report was lodged at Police Post Goran by the father of missing girl, a resident of Dunai Sumb tehsil and district Samba stating therein that her daughter went to her sister's home but did not reach there. All efforts were made out by the family members but the whereabouts of the missing girl could not be ascertained.

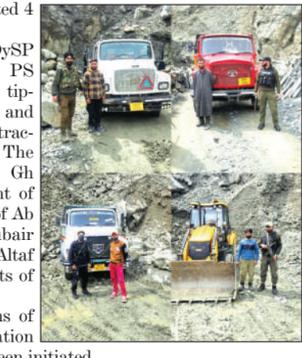
Acting on complaint, a missing report was entered at Police Post Goran and search started to trace out the said missing girl.

With continuous strenuous efforts, a police team of Police Post Goran headed by Incharge Police Post Goran has traced out the said missing girl and handed over to her legal heirs after completing all legal formalities. Accordingly, the said missing report has been closed.

Lal son of Rakha Ram, resident of Bagga Janna Tehsil RS Pura District Jammu. In this regard a Police team was deputed for tracing the said missing Sushil Motton. With the help of technical assistance the said missing person has been traced out and after completing all legal formalities handed over to his legal heirs.

### 4 vehicles seized, 4 persons arrested for Illegal extraction & transportation of minerals

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
BARAMULLA: Cracking a whip on illegal extraction and transportation of minerals, police have seized 4 vehicles and arrested 4 drivers in Baramulla.



A police party under the supervision of DySP Hqrs Baramulla assisted by SHO PS Baramulla seized 4 vehicles (Excavator, 3 tip-pers) and arrested 4 drivers at Khanpora and Dargam Baramulla, involved in illegal extraction and transportation of minerals. The accused drivers have been identified as Gh Hassan Waza son of Ab Rehman resident of Sheeri Zandafaran, Mohd Shafi Parra son of Ab Ahad resident of Hamrey Pattan, Zubair Ahmad Dar son of Sonaulah Dar & Altaf Ahmad Dar son of Ali Mohd both residents of Khanpora Baramulla.

Accordingly, case under relevant sections of law has been registered in Police Station Baramulla and further investigation has been initiated.

### 2 drug peddlers arrested, contraband substance recovered

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
KULGAM: Continuing its efforts to eradicate the menace of drugs from the society, police have arrested 02 drug peddlers in Kulgam and recovered contraband substances from their possession.



A police party of Police Station Devsar at a checkpoint established at Sopat Crossing intercepted a suspicious person identified as Azad Ahmad Naikoo son of Sonaulah Naikoo resident of Nussu Badragund carrying a nylon bag who after noticing the police party tried to flee from the spot but was apprehended tactfully. During search, 4.2 kgs of Poppy Straw has been recovered filled in the said bag from his possession.

Moreover, a police party of Police Station Qaimoh at a checkpoint established at Khudwani Bypass near NHW intercepted a suspicious person identified as Bilal Ahmad Allaie son of Abdul Salam Allaie resident of Hawoora. During the search, 3.5 Kgs of Poppy Straw and 01 gram of Brown Sugar like substances filled in a nylon bag were recovered from his possession.

Bothe the accused persons have been arrested and shifted to respective police stations. Accordingly, cases under relevant sections of law have been registered at respective Police Stations and investigations have been initiated.

### Two Absconders evading arrest since long arrested

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
AWANTIPORA: Police in Awantipora have arrested an absconder who was evading his arrest from the last 19 years in case FIR No. 54/2004 of PS Awantipora.



Warrant under section 512 CrPC issued by Hon'ble Court of Principal Session Judge Pulwama pending with Police Station Awantipora against an accused person namely Mohammad Yousuf Sofi son of Gh Rasool Sofi resident of Panzgam was executed, who was evading his arrest from last 19 years, involved in case FIR NO. 54/2004 of Police Station Awantipora was arrested by a special Police team under the supervision of SDPO Awantipora Shri Mumtaz Ali Bhatti (SP) and consisting of SHO Awantipora Inspector Zahooh Ahmed among others. Subsequently, the arrested accused person was produced before the Hon'ble Court of Law.

Doda Police has also arrested one absconder from Srinagar, who was evading arrest since long.

While giving details, Police said that one absconder namely Abdul Majeed, son of Noor Mohd, resident of Bhejar Gandoh who was involved in case FIR No. 91/2023 U/S 376,363,344,109 IPC 04/17 POCSO Act, 09/10 prohibition of Child marriage Act registered against him at Police Station Gandoh. A Police team was constituted at Police Station Gandoh headed by Inspector Parvaiz Ahmed Khanday SHO PS Gandoh and the team after generating the information and after getting technical lead tracked down the absconder and finally arrested him from Srinagar. The whole operation was launched under the guidance of Javaid Iqbal SSP Doda. The absconder was produced in the Court of law.

Police Reasi, equipped with advanced technology and skilled personnel, remains at the forefront in fight against cybercriminals.

### Bootlegger arrested, 36 bottles of illicit liquor

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Police on Saturday nabbed a bootlegger and recovered 36 bottles of illicit liquor from his possession. An information was received at Police Station Nagrota regarding one bootlegger selling illicit liquor in the Dhok Waziran area under the jurisdiction of Police Station Nagrota. Immediately a patrolling party raided the Dhok Waziran area and apprehended one person namely Mangal Dass, son of Tara Chand.

During search 36 Bottles illicit liquor got recovered from his possession which he was selling to his customers. In this regard, case FIR No. 95/2024 U/S 48(F) Excise Act stands registered at PS Nagrota and accused person got arrested.

Rajouri's Cyber Investigation Unit recovers, refunds hard earned money of online fraud victim

Rajouri: The District Cyber Investigation Unit Rajouri, a dedicated unit to deal with cases of online frauds and cyber crime, has successfully recovered and refunded hard earned money of a cyber fraud victim.

In a proactive response to recent financial fraud cases, District Cyber Investigation Unit Rajouri has achieved a success by recovery and refund of funds to affected victim valuing of rupees 13,190/-.

A complaint of cyber crime and online fraud was received by the unit in Rajouri after which the dedicated team started its investigation.

Through diligent investigative efforts of this District Cyber Investigation Unit Rajouri team in coordination with financial institutions launched a swift action into the fraudulent activities and recovering the unlawfully obtained fund ensuring justice and restitution for those impacted.

The District Cyber Investigation Unit Rajouri remains committed and vigilant in efforts to prevent and combat financial crimes, working tirelessly to safeguard the interests and financial security of our citizens.

The unit also appeals its citizens to remain vigilant and report any suspicious online activities promptly on National Helpline Number 1930 or report online cyber complaint at www.cybercrime.gov.in or District Cyber Investigation Unit Rajouri Helpline Number- 9541900755.

Rajouri Police said that cyber crime and online frauds have become a serious concern for the society and innocent citizens fall prey to it loosing their hard earned money but Jammu and Kashmir police has taken a pro active approach to deal with such crime and to help innocent victims.

However the people should remain fully aware towards this threat and should follow all necessary precautions like not clicking any suspicious link, not responding to suspicious WhatsApp messages as well as SMS, not to respond spam calls and never to share bank details like account number, debit and credit card number, CVV, PIN, OTP with unknown people especially on phone calls.

Drug peddler arrested, contraband recovered

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
RS Pura: Continuing its drive against drug trafficking and substance abuse under Ops Sanjeevani, a Police Party of Police Station R.S Pura while on routine patrolling established naka near Bhagwati Brick Kiln Agra Chak Road for checking/frisking.

During naka checking/frisking police party found one pedestrian on the way from Agra Chak towards R S Pura.

On seeing police party, the said pedestrian turned back and try to flee from the spot. On this police party of Police Station R.S Pura overpowered the pedestrian. On preliminary questioning the said person disclosed his name as Mohd Rashid alias Shidu, son of Nazir Hussain, resident of Ward No.04 Simbal Camp Tehsil RS Pura District Jammu. During his personal search 55.09 grams of banned contraband (narcotics drug/psychotropic substance) was recovered from his possession.

In this regard case FIR No. 53/2024 U/S 8/21/22 NDPS Act stand registered police station RS Pura and investigation taken up.

### 60 vehicles challaned for traffic violations

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
KISHTWAR: In continuation to the operation 3rd Eye Kishtwar Kishtwar Police Challaned 60 violators under Motor Vehicle Act for wrong parking, without helmet, overloading in Kishtwar town.

Under the directions of the SSP Kishtwar Abdul Qayoom, the team so constituted for the purpose of traffic Challan, the team with the help of technical aid CCTV surveillance mechanism shot photographs/conducted videography for violation of traffic rules, identifying the vehicles through number plate reading system and subsequently, after ascertaining residential addresses of owners of vehicle and accordingly the copies alongwith photograph of violation of traffic rules sent at their residential addresses.

The vehicle numbers of violators are JK173940, JK02AC7754, JK176945, PB01B4017, JK11A4575, JK175899, JK18A7678, JK174161, JK176406, JK176072, JK17A3917, JK17A3555, JK17A5938, JK178318, JK178837, JK08H2973, JK17A4675, JK17A3937, JK17A5298, JK06B8025, JK02AV1987, JK06B8304, JK17A5423, JK02AH5370, JK02BJ7642, JK06A8909, JK178953, JK178548, JK172164, JK176415, JK02CL3762, JK170832, JK17A4297, JK02BG1361, JK17A4885, JK02CV6745, JK02AU1692, JK02BD4097, JK17A3203, JK175363, JK179115, JK02CJ3375, JK174730, JK17A6316, JK02BW1919, JK06B0594, JK17A5451, JK172208, JK179644, JK17A6415, JK17A3467, JK17A5165, JK178045, JK06B1496, JK02BC8673, JK178684, JK17A6758, JK171930, JK17A6489, JK174629, JK179020, JK17A4838, JK069704, JK17A3467, JK14G4778, JK17A5914, JK176404, JK17A4376, JK174574 and JK02CL1075.