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**NOTICE**  
 I, Anita Devi D/o Pritam Singh W/o Raj Singh R/o H.No. 309 Near Shiv Mandir Janipur Colony, Jammu state that my name has wrongly been written as Amita Padwal instead of Anita Devi in my Met Life Policy bearing No. 22260404 PNB. Now I am applying for corrections for the same. Objection if any may be conveyed to concerned authority within seven days.

**NOTICE**  
 It is to inform that the undersigned has lost the Migrant Ration Card (under Relief Category) consists of 2 souls & D form No. 035543, Data Form No. 33264 and R Card No. 31055 issued by Zonal Officer JKBOSE/45 for which the report has already been lodged in P/S Janipur. Any person who locates the above card may kindly submit it to Zonal Officer JKBOSE within period of seven days.  
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**STATE TIMES**

**Dr. Ram Prakash delivers invited talk at BHU Varanasi**

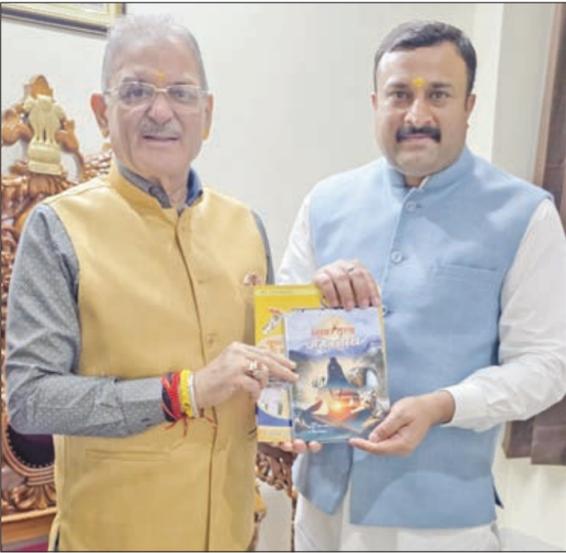
**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 KATRA: Dr. Ram Prakash, Associate Professor and Head, School of Physics, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU), Katra delivered an invited lecture on "Rare-Earth Activated Nanophosphors: Synthesis, Spectroscopy, and Lighting Applications" in international conference on Advances in Multifunctional Materials (ICRAMMD-2026) held at Banaras Hindu University (BHU) Varanasi. The conference witnessed the participation of nearly 300 delegates from India and abroad. Dr. Ram Prakash discussed Rare-Earth Activated Nanophosphors: Synthesis, Spectroscopy, and Lighting Applications.



Dr. Ram Prakash, Associate Professor and Head, School of Physics SMVDU Katra being honoured.

Dr. Prakash presented a comprehensive overview of recent research on the synthesis, structural characterization, and spectroscopic investigations of Eu<sup>3+</sup>, Dy<sup>3+</sup>, and Sm<sup>3+</sup> activated phosphor materials, with emphasis on their down-conversion luminescence behavior and color tunability. He highlighted the potential of these phosphor systems for application in near-UV pumped warm white LEDs and advanced photonic devices. The lecture was well received by the participants. Dr. Ram Prakash thanked Prof. (Dr.) Pragati Kumar, Vice Chancellor for allowing and encouraging him to attend the said conference.

**Mahant Rohit Shastri meets Himachal Governor Kavinder Gupta, presents trust publications**



Mahant Rohit Shastri meeting with Himachal Governor Kavinder Gupta and presenting trust publications.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 JAMMU/SHIMLA: Mahant Rohit Shastri, President of Shri Kailakh Jyotish Avam Vedic Sansthan Trust and a State Awardee, paid a courtesy visit to the Governor of Himachal Pradesh, Kavinder Gupta, at his official residence, where he presented a collection of religious, Vedic, and astrology-related publications of the Trust.

**Forest Division Kishtwar marks International Day of Forests with focus on economy and conservation**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 KISHTWAR: The Forest Division Kishtwar celebrated the International Day of Forests (IDF) at the Forest Complex on Saturday, highlighting the theme "Forests and Economies." The programme underscored the vital role forests play in supporting economic stability, sustaining biodiversity, and maintaining ecological balance. Officials and participants emphasized how forests contribute significantly to livelihoods, especially in rural and forest-dependent communities. During the event, the Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) Kishtwar raised awareness about the importance of forests in supporting millions of people through resources such as timber, non-timber forest products, and ecosystem services. The celebration aimed to sensitize the public about the need for sustainable forest management and conservation practices. Speakers stressed that protecting forests is not only essential for environmental health but also for long-term economic growth. The Forest Division Kishtwar organized the event as part of its ongoing efforts to promote environmental awareness and encourage community participation in forest conservation initiatives. The programme concluded with a call for collective responsibility in preserving forest resources for future generations.

**Army conducts interaction with ex-servicemen**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 REASI: The Indian Army conducted a meaningful interaction with Ex-Servicemen at Katra in Reasi district, with over 30 veterans from the Area of Responsibility in attendance. The session provided a valuable platform to connect with veterans, honour their invaluable service and acknowledge their enduring sacrifices. The interaction also enabled direct feedback, fostering better understanding of their concerns and requirements. The initiative reflects the Indian Army's continued commitment to ensuring the well-being, dignity and care of its veterans, while nurturing a strong and lasting bond with those who have served the nation with dedication and pride.

**Drug peddler arrested, psychotropic capsules recovered**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 UDHAMPUR: Udhampur Police apprehended a drug peddler and recovered 560 Pregabalin capsules during routine checking near the Head Post Office in Udhampur. The accused, identified as Ravinder Kumar, son of Tara Chand and a resident of Sayal Sallan, was intercepted on suspicion. Upon search, the capsules were recovered from his possession and seized on the spot. The matter has been reported to the Assistant Controller Drugs, Udhampur, for further legal action.

**6 vehicles seized in crackdown on illegal mining**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 KATHUA: Jammu and Kashmir Police in Kathua intensified its drive against illegal mining and seized six vehicles, including five dumpers and one tractor trolley, in the jurisdictions of Hiranagar and Lakanpur. Acting under the overall supervision of Mohita Sharma, police teams conducted separate operations on March 20. In Hiranagar, a team led by SHO Inspector Amit Sangra, under the guidance of SP Operations Mukund Tibrewal and SDPO Border Dheeraj Katoch, seized two dumpers (JK21K-8445, JK21J-8683) and one tractor trolley (JK08K-2981) involved in illegal transportation of construction material without valid permission. In a similar action in Lakanpur, a police team led by SHO Inspector Neeraj Choudhary, under the supervision of Addl. SP Rahul Charak and DySP DAR Bhagwan Dass, seized three dumpers (PB11DG-6145, PB23J-8631, PB46M-9836) engaged in unlawful mining activities. All seized vehicles have been handed over to the Geology and Mining Department, Kathua, for further legal action.

**Asmita Fencing City League from March 24**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 JAMMU: The three-day Asmita Women's Fencing City League shall be held from March 24 at Indoor Fencing Hall, MA Stadium, here. The League, aimed at female fencers, is an initiative of the Sports Authority of India (SAI) through Fencing Association of India. The eligible interested fencers may contact the organizing secretary of the League (7006374481).

**Eid Milan celebrated at KK Hakku Stadium by Hockey J&K**



Rajeev Sharma, Patron-in-Chief Hockey J&K and others at a programme.

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 JAMMU: Hockey Jammu and Kashmir organised an Eid Milan programme on the occasion of Eid-ul-Fitr at KK Hakku Stadium, bringing together players, officials and members of the sports fraternity in a spirit of unity and celebration. The programme was organized for participants of the ongoing training camp for Sub-Junior National Men and Women teams of J&K. Notably, the camp participants chose to continue their training for the upcoming national hockey championships even on the festive occasion of Eid, reflecting their dedication and commitment. Players extended greetings to one another and shared warm wishes with their Muslim teammates, highlighting the spirit of brotherhood. The event witnessed participation from representatives of various sports associations and officials from the J&K Sports Council, with over 100 people present on the occasion. Speaking at the programme, Rajeev Sharma, sports promoter, Patron-in-Chief Hockey J&K, President Tennikoit Federation of India and member J&K Sports Council, extended Eid greetings and prayed for peace and prosperity in Jammu and Kashmir. Taran Singh welcomed the participants and highlighted the significance of Eid-ul-Fitr, while expressing gratitude to Rajeev Sharma for sponsoring the event. Murti Gupta also conveyed his greetings, emphasizing that brotherhood is the key to success for any nation. Ravinder Singh urged participants to uphold the spirit of nationhood and sportsmanship.

Among other dignitaries present were Kuldeep Handoo, Dy. SP (Sports) JKP; Aman Sharma, Dy. Director Incharge Jammu Centre, Sports Authority of India; B.S. Jaggi, Ajay Sharma, Sunil Sharma, Satpal Singh, Ajay Gupta, Anil Sharma, Anil Kumar Wadera, Arshi Nad, Ishan Sharma, Tejinder Singh, Jaswinder Kour, P.P. Singh, Janak Singh, Jagjit Singh, along with parents of the players. The event concluded on a note of communal harmony, sportsmanship and collective commitment towards excellence in sports.

**Two drug peddlers held with heroin**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 JAMMU: Continuing its drive against drug trafficking, Jammu and Kashmir Police achieved another success as R.S. Pura Police recovered 8.99 grams of heroin (chitta) from two alleged drug peddlers during a naka checking on Sunderpur Road. A police team from Police Station R.S. Pura, led by PSI Vishal Singh under the supervision of SHO Inspector Tribhawan Khajuria and senior officers, intercepted a motorcycle (JK02CD-4910) during routine patrolling. During the search, the contraband substance was recovered from the possession of the accused. The arrested individuals have been identified as Kuldeep Kumar, son of Prem Chand, a resident of Raipur Gujran, and Rohit Kumar, son of Ashwani Kumar, a resident of Chak Aslam in R.S. Pura. In this regard, a case FIR No.60/2026 U/S 8/21/22/29 NDPS has been registered at Police Station R.S. Pura. The accused have been arrested, and the contraband along with the motorcycle has been seized. Further investigation is underway.

**Judo meet at Samba on March 31**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 JAMMU: Judo Association Jammu and Kashmir shall hold Samba District Judo Championship on March 31 at Indoor Hall, Samba. As per a handout issued by the Association, the championship will be organized under the banner of J&K Sports Council in Sub Junior, Junior and Senior categories. Those eligible participants have been advised to report the venue on given date bringing along entry form and adhar card.

**India to play T20Is against Ireland on June 26 and June 28: BCCI**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 NEW DELHI: Reigning world champions India will play two T20 Internationals in Ireland on June 26 and June 28 respectively, the BCCI said on Saturday about the games that will precede their white-ball assignment in England. Both match will be held at Belfast, where the Indian team will play for the first time since 2007. "Team India (Senior Men) will travel to Ireland for a two-match T20I series in June 2026. Having toured Ireland three times in the past eight years (2018, 2022 and 2023). This tour will mark India's return to Belfast for the first time since 2007," BCCI secretary Devajit Saikia said in a statement. The BCCI statement comes two days after Ireland's director of high performance Graham West confirmed the series while announcing Paul Stirling's decision to step down as their T20I captain. India, who host Afghanistan for a one-off Test and a three-match ODI series ending on June 20, will travel to England for five T20Is and three ODIs from July 1-19. India have toured Ireland three times in the past seven years, drawing strong crowds at Malahide on the outskirts of Dublin. West had said on Thursday the India series is part of their plans for the upcoming summer. "With qualification secured for the T20 World Cup in 2028, Paul's

**Switch on, let's not waste even a minute of any session: Kohli to RCB teammates**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 BENGALURU: Talismanic batter Virat Kohli on Saturday urged his Royal Challengers Bengaluru teammates to "switch on" themselves and not waste even a minute at the training sessions as they gear up for their IPL title defence. Addressing the squad during their first practice session at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium, Kohli underlined the need to maintain the intensity that brought them the title last year. "We worked really hard over the last two to three seasons to achieve what we did last year, and it's only going to get tougher because other teams are going to come hard at us," Kohli said. RCB will open their IPL 2026 campaign against Sunrisers Hyderabad on March 28 at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium. Emphasising urgency from day one, he added, "We don't waste these days. We stay ahead. So,

switch on now. Let's not waste even a minute of any session that we are a part of. We must give our 120 per cent for these two and a half months." RCB added Venkatesh Iyer, Mangesh Yadav, Jordan Cox, Vicky Ostwal and Satvik Deswal to their squad at the auction. Head coach Andy Flower expressed satisfaction with the squad assembled after the auction, saying the franchise had strengthened key areas. "We had an interesting auction and I think we've improved our squad, to be quite frank. We've brought in some great new additions. Integrating them into the RCB way alongside established players led by Virat and Rajat is an exciting part of building this team," Flower said. Highlighting the significance of being reigning champions, Flower said the team would embrace the challenge rather than dwell on past success.

"There is one difference this year, we've got a star on our shirt. That's a very proud feeling for all RCB fans. But that season is gone. Now we have a new challenge ahead, and it's an exciting one. We're here to win this year's IPL," he added. Wicketkeeper-batter Jitesh Sharma spoke about the positive atmosphere within the group as new and old members came together. "Everyone was very excited to meet each other. I was excited to get more batting time. I got a chance to meet all the coaches and train again," he said. Flower also pointed to the advantage of beginning their campaign at home. "Our first game is here at Chinnaswamy, which is a fantastic opportunity for us to build momentum early and be welcomed by our home fans. The outfield is looking superb, lush, green and beautiful," he said.

**Eid-ul-Fitr celebrated with fervour across Jammu's City South Zone**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 JAMMU: Eid-ul-Fitr was celebrated with great enthusiasm and spiritual fervour across the City South Zone of Jammu, reflecting unity, brotherhood, and communal harmony. Large congregations gathered at prominent mosques and Eidgahs, including Eidgah Digiana, Eidgah Malik Market, Madina Masjid Bathindi, Eidgah Firdousabad Sunjwan, Jamia Masjid Pul Tawi, Jamia Masjid Police Line Gandhi Nagar, Jamia Masjid Noor Police Line Channi, Jamia Masjid Kunjwani, Jamia Masjid Narwal Pain, Jamia Masjid Satwari (Chatha), Gole Masjid Jalalabad (Sunjwan), Jamia Masjid Trikuta Nagar, Anjuman-e-Hussaini Bathindi, and Makkah Masjid Bathindi, where devotees offered special prayers marking the culmination of Ramadan. Eid programmes at various locations saw participation from prominent citizens, public representatives, ministers, judiciary members, and senior bureaucrats, strengthening inclusiveness and social harmony. To ensure peaceful celebrations, Jammu Police, City South Zone, implemented comprehensive security and traffic management measures near major prayer venues and busy routes. Personnel conducted regular patrolling. Officers also interacted with citizens, extending Eid greetings and promoting goodwill. Jammu Police distributed sweets among the public as part of community outreach efforts, a gesture that was widely appreciated and warmly received. The celebrations concluded peacefully without any untoward incidents, highlighting strong coordination between the police and the public and reaffirming the region's commitment to peace, harmony, and mutual respect.

**Bovine smuggling bid foiled, 10 animals rescued**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 JAMMU: Continuing its drive under Operation Kamdhenu, Jammu and Kashmir Police (Rural) foiled a bovine smuggling attempt in the jurisdiction of Nagrota and rescued 10 animals. Acting on specific information, a police team from Police Station Nagrota laid a naka at Ban Toll Plaza. A dumper (JK19A-2570) heading towards Kashmir attempted to flee after breaking the naka but was chased and intercepted. During checking, 10 bovines were found loaded without valid permission. The animals were rescued and the vehicle seized. A case under relevant sections of BNS and the PCA Act has been registered, and further investigation is underway.

**Missing Lady traced, reunited with family**

**STATE TIMES NEWS**  
 JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Police traced a missing woman from R.S. Pura, Jammu, continuing its sustained efforts to locate missing persons. The lady's husband had lodged a missing report vide DDR No. 012 dated March 16, 2026. A special team was constituted to trace her whereabouts. Acting swiftly, a police team led by SHO Tribhawan Khajuria employed strenuous efforts and technical assistance. The woman was traced on March 20, 2026, and after completing all legal formalities, she was safely handed over to her family. The missing report has now been officially closed, reflecting the commitment of the police towards public safety and prompt action.