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### Two LeT terrorists...

frustration among them, who are now attacking the soft targets. Regarding the Tral encounter; he said AGuH terrorist Shafat Muzzaffar Sofi alias Muavia and LeT's Umer Teli alias Talha were both local terrorists and were operating in Srinagar. After civilian and soft target killing, they shifted to Tral area and were tracked and neutralized. Regarding recent terror attacks in Puhwama, he said poor labourers from outside who had come here to earn their livelihood were attacked. "We have identified the involved terrorist and very soon he will be neutralized. Similarly, police has got some leads regarding targeting of a Kashmiri Pandit in a remote village of Shopian and the involved terrorist shall also be neutralized soon", he added. To a question if Pakistani ultras are "using local" terrorists, the IGP Kashmir said, "You have seen that several foreign terrorists were killed. However the foreign terrorists use local terrorists as a shield, as recently in Shopian where one local terrorist was killed while a Pakistani terrorist escaped from the encounter site and put local terrorist at the forefront". The IGP Kashmir also said that in view of soft target attacks by terrorists, the night patrolling has been enhanced and joint patrolling of police and security forces is being carried with security forces in vulnerable areas.

### Govt determind to...

development of each village for inclusive growth, the Lt Governor added. The Lt Governor urged the PRIs to actively participate in the formulation of the District Plans as per the needs of the local population. For participatory development and effective empowerment of PRIs, the district plans are being finalized by representatives from all three-tiers of grass-root democracy, he said. The Lt Governor said apart from various new projects, the long-pending works under Border Area Development Programme (BADP) have been completed. In the district capex, 1158 projects were completed in border villages, he added. The Lt Governor called for adopting best practices and getting desired results on ground by implementing schemes through convergence mode. On the occasion, the Lt Governor also highlighted the impact of the governance reforms introduced in the last one and a half years. The completion of more than 50,000 projects in the previous financial year as compared to around 9,200 projects in 2018-19 speaks volume about good governance in J&K, observed the Lt Governor. On average, more than Rs One crore has been given to each panchayat for developmental works. Under Aapki Zameen Aap Ki Nigrani in Jammu district, the land records of almost all the villages have been digitized and passbooks have also been issued, in three languages, in most of the tehsilis. In Jammu district, 16,810 new eligible beneficiaries have been added in March this year for pension schemes of the Social Welfare Department. Apart from this, beneficiaries have been linked with other schemes by organizing special panchayat level camps. Mission Youth and Jammu District Administration are facilitating youths in their border belts through Centre for District Youth Training & Empowerment where facilities are being provided to young boys and girls preparing for army, paramilitary forces and other competitive examinations, added the Lt Governor. It was informed that the BSF will support 80 youths of the area for skill development, besides 35 youth will be part of Bharat Darshan tour. Moreover, the local youths will be provided support for their preparations for Paramilitary and CAPF recruitment, and three medical camps will be organized in the area in coming months. On the occasion, the Lt Governor launched an E-rent application for direct money transfer to the accounts of all landowners in Jammu district benefitting around 30,000 people whose land is being used by the Armed Forces. Earlier, the Lt Governor paid obeisance at the Baba Jitto temple at Jhiri and prayed for peace, progress and prosperity of the people of UT. The Lt Governor interacted with the PRI members of the area and also inspected the stalls installed by various departments. He handed over tractors; land pass-books; sports kits; sanction orders to set up business units, houses under PMAY to the beneficiaries under different schemes, besides wheelchairs/motorized vehicles, hearing aids to specially-abled. Bharat Bhushan, DDC Chairperson Jammu, while speaking on the occasion, expressed gratitude to the Lt Governor-led UT Administration for giving dedicated focus towards the development of border areas and villages of J&K. Anshul Garg, Deputy Commissioner Jammu briefed about the development initiatives being undertaken by the administration with special focus on border villages. Balbir Lal, DDC member; Surinder Kumar, BDC Chairperson; Sh. Mulkhraj, Sarpanch Kalyanpur also spoke on the occasion. Dr. Raghav Langer, Divisional Commissioner Jammu; Sh. SK Singh, DIG BSF; senior Army officials, PRIs & youth club members, and people from all walks of life were present on the occasion.

### Medical Suptd GMC ...

District Hospital, Poonch to senior most/eligible doctors immediately, states the orders. Meanwhile, in view of dereliction of duties Dr. Muzaffar Ahmed Zargar, I/C Medical Superintendent, District Hospital Kulgam has been attached to the office of the Director, Health Services, Jammu with Immediate effect. Consequent upon his attachment, the Director, Health Services, Kashmir shall assign the charge post of Medical Superintendent, District Hospital, Kulgam to senior most/eligible doctor Immediately, another order states.

### J&K Admn extends...

"woman employee and single male employee" replaced "woman employee" in the

Jammu and Kashmir Civil Services (Leave) Rules, 1979. The department has defined 'single male employee' as unmarried or widower or divorcee government employee. "...the Lieutenant Governor is pleased to direct that the amendments shall be made in the Jammu and Kashmir Civil Services (Leave) Rules, 1979...for the words "woman employee", the words, "woman employee and single male employee" shall be substituted," according to the notification. The notification further said that during the period of child care leave, an employee shall be paid full salary for the first year and 80 per cent of pay for the second year.

### Hawala case: Lookout...

is absconding and he will be traced soon. After his questioning, a complete picture will emerge in the case which is linked to Pakistan and separatism some people have already been arrested and the money trail clearly indicated that it was meant for subversive and anti-national activities, the DGP had said. The officials said raids were conducted at various places in and outside Jammu and Kashmir over the past week to apprehend Singh but the success eluded the police so far. During his questioning, Shah has also disclosed names of his foreign associates including Javed and Khatib of Pakistan-occupied Kashmir; Farooq Khan of Toronto (Canada), the officials said, adding he was also running a group on social media platforms having members from Pakistan and Saudi Arabia as well.

### Businesses, markets in...

extended beyond the two-month period. Any contravention of the orders will attract legal action under section 188 of the India Penal Code, the officials warned, as they asked people to inform the station house officers of their nearest police stations in case they notice any suspicious movement or activity in the CCTV system. "There exist a number of banking and financial/business establishments like banks/ATMs, jewellery shops, petrol pumps, shopping malls, restaurants, hotels, cinema halls, wine and beer shops, eating joints, ready-made garment shops, show-rooms, small markets, educational institutions, places of worship, bus stands, railway stations, airports hospitals and offices, where transactions are held in cash or a place frequented by large number of people with a likelihood of gathering of 50 people or more at a time, where CCTV cameras are not installed to cover the outer areas of such establishments," the order issued by Srinagar Deputy Commissioner Aijaz Asad read. "In order to deter criminals, anti-social and anti-national elements from committing crimes, the installation of CCTV outside such establishments would work as a force multiplier, which would inspire further confidence in general public/customers visiting these establishments," it added. The orders also laid down specifications like minimum resolution and feed storage capacity of 30 days for the camera systems to be installed. The order issued by District Magistrate Vikas Sharma in Doda said the cameras should be installed in such a way that they cover the approach areas of the establishments and also the entry and exit points of parking lots up to a distance of 40 metres. "In view of the prevailing persistent threat, relating to recent increased incidents of selective targeting of innocent citizens by the anti-nationals and subversive elements, which requires several measures, including the use of appropriate technologies, to safeguard life and property," the order read. A CRPF jawan was killed and six people, including four migrant labourers and a Kashmiri Pandit, were injured in separate attacks by terrorists in Srinagar, Pulwama and Shopian districts on Sunday and Monday.

### 87 civilians killed...

on February 19, 2021 to attract capital investment, with a financial outlay of Rs 28,400 crore (upto the year 2037). The scheme provides for four types of incentives namely (i) capital investment incentive, (ii) capital interest subvention, (iii) goods and services tax linked incentive and (iv) working capital interest subvention, he said. Moreover, Rai said, in order to boost industrial development in the Union Territory, the government of Jammu and Kashmir has also notified the J&K Industrial Policy, J&K Private Industrial Estate Development Policy and J&K Industrial Land Allotment Policy. In reply to yet another question, the minister said that our Kashmiri Pandits among 14 Hindus were killed by terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir since 2019. Rai also said that 34 people belonging to minority communities were killed by terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir in the last five years., including 11 in 2021. He said that after the repeal of Article 370 of the Constitution, 2105 migrants have returned to Kashmir valley for taking up jobs provided under the Prime Minister's Development Package. The minister said the government has taken several measures to ensure the safety of minorities in the valley. These include robust security and intelligence grid, group security in the form of static guards and day and night area domination. There is also round-the-clock checking at Nakas and patrolling in the areas where the minorities reside besides proactive operations against terrorists. Replying to another question, he said as many as 502 infiltrations have taken place in Jammu and Kashmir since 2017. Referring to the Prime Minister's Development Package, 2015, the minister said under the scheme, 3,000 state government jobs for Kashmiri migrants have been created. The selection process for the appointment of 2,828 migrants has been completed, out of which 1,913 migrants have been appointed and the verification of documents of the remaining 915 migrants has been taken up. Rai said the construction of transit accommodations under the PMRP 2008 has been done, while work on accommodations approved under PMDP-2015 is being completed.

"Construction of 1025 units has been completed or substantially completed, 1488 units are at different stages of completion and work on remaining units has been taken up," he said. The minister said the central government reimburses monthly cash relief to the Kashmiri migrants, which was last enhanced in June 2018 from Rs 10,000 to Rs 13,000 per family. The enhancement of cash relief to Kashmiri migrants is considered from time to time on the recommendation of the government of Jammu and Kashmir keeping in view the inflation trend, he said.

### 40 fake websites...

seized incriminating material from their possession. All the above mentioned accused persons were brought to Katra after obtaining transit remand from competent court. Moreover, during the investigation of instant cases, 40 fake websites were identified and got blocked, which were involved in selling of fake helicopter tickets to Shri Mata Vaishno Devi pilgrims. Amit Gupta, SSP Reasi advised all the pilgrims to use only the official website of the SMVD Shrine Board for booking services such as helicopter tickets and not to fall prey to the fraudulent advertisements issued by unauthorized websites offering confirmed Helicopter tickets, sale of Prasad.

### Govt assures return...

day, which has increased to 20,68 km per day now. A village housing over 1,000 people is connected with roads. By 2023, a hamlet with 500 people will also get the road connection, he added. The Minister further said that there is a 24 hours electricity supply due to excess power production. Even IIT and IIM have been set up. Responding to another supplementary on growing unemployment, the Minister said the employment and confidence in people has increased in the state. About 26,303 posts have been identified in the state from 2019 and till date. The process of hiring is underway, he said, and an employment portal has been set up, counselling sections and career centres have been put in place in the state. On jobs promised for migrant Kashmiri, the minister said the state government has given jobs to 841 in 2020-21 and 1,264 in 2021-22. The government is ready to give jobs to migrant Kashmiris who wish to settle back in their home state, he added. On the status of a development package announced in 2015 for the state, the minister said Rs 58,466 crore was approved as part of the package. "The projects are being implemented in a speedy manner. Many projects have been implemented. The ones which are completed are inspected and gaps, if any, are addressed," he said and added, "soon all projects will be implemented."

### Parliament passes criminal...

will notify it after making a complete system. We will have to understand next generation crime and break their cycle as well. We want police, law enforcement agencies to be two steps ahead of criminals. This effort is to empower police," he said. Shah said the government intends to amend the Indian Penal Code, Criminal Procedure Code and Evidence Act, and has invited suggestions from public. He said the government has created the Crime and Criminal Tracking Network & Systems (CCTNS), which has been adopted by 100 per cent police stations across the country. The home minister asserted he had no apprehensions about the proposed law being abused. "There has been misuse. We have fought and come out of it," Shah said. Responding to AAP member Sanjay Singh, who spoke about a false case allegedly filed against a party worker in Gujarat, Shah said he was not aware of that, but if you go to Bengal, you will lose your life, provoking a protest by TMC MPs. Shah also accused the Left of killing 100 BJP members for political reasons. Undeterred by the TMC protest, the home minister continued to attack its government in West Bengal, saying its acts had "changed even the harshest definition of the word Fascist". Participating in the discussion, Sukhendu Sekhar Roy (TMC) opposed the bill calling it "draconian". He said the government wants to use its "brute majority" to pass the bill that "violates the principle of natural justice", and demanded that it be sent to a select committee for vetting. Tiruchi Siva of the DMK supported his demand, claiming the government wants to armour itself with draconian laws which can be used even against political and social activists. Sujet Kumar (BJD) said the bill, even if passed, will not withstand judicial scrutiny. Ram Gopal Yadav (SP) opposed the bill and noted it will be challenged in the Supreme Court even if it is passed in Parliament. A D Singh of the RJD also opposed the legislation. The support for the government came from V Vijaysai Reddy (YSRCP), who said it will help improve the conviction rate, and attacked the Congress for foisting false cases against political adversaries. A Navaneethakrishnan (AIDMK), a BJP ally, came out in support of the legislation, calling it a right intervention. He noted the legislation does not violate constitutional provisions. Ram Nath Thakur (JD-U), a partner in the ruling NDA, also supported the bill.

### Petrol, diesel prices...

vary from state to state depending upon the incidence of local taxation. This is the 14th increase in prices since the ending of a four-and-half-month long hiatus in rate revision on March 22. In all, petrol and diesel prices have gone up by Rs 10 per litre each or 10.5 per cent.

### Mysterious blast near...

said the driver, whose identity was being ascertained, has suffered grievous injuries in the blast and has been moved to a hospital for treatment. The exact cause of the blast is being probed, they added.

## Need to revamp education system to align J&K youth to mainstream: Sr Army officer

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PUNE: General Officer-Commanding-in-Chief (GOC-in-C) Southern Command Lieutenant General J S Nain of the Indian Army has stressed the need to revamp the education system to ensure that the youth in Jammu and Kashmir are aligned to the mainstream and necessity to prevent narco-terrorism in the valley. The Army Commander was speaking at a webinar organised recently to gain insight into the prevailing security situation in Jammu & Kashmir. The webinar was organised by Desert Corps under the aegis of Pune-based Southern Command, a Defence release stated. Lt Gen Nain impressed upon young officers to remain abreast of the situation prevalent in the country and understand the emerging dynamics of Kashmir on the geo-strategic front. He stressed the need to revamp the education system to ensure that the youth remain aligned to the mainstream and the necessity to prevent narco-terrorism and guarding against infiltration in principal institutions. The decisions taken in the last few years, including abrogation of Article 370, delimitation and planned statehood to J&K, are reflect-

tive of a strong and decisive leadership that is pursuing a secular, pluralist agenda, crucial for the development and betterment of the valley, he said. "An audit of the infrastructure development and socio-economic impact may be considered, to enable better policy-making decisions," the release quoting Lt Gen Nain stated. He further advised all stakeholders to be prepared to pre-emptively counter Pakistan's next strategic design. India stands for peace and resolution of issues through diplomacy and dialogue, however, the conditions should be right and cessation of the proxy war by Pakistan is a prerequisite for the same, he said. The speakers expressed their views on changing dynamics in Kashmir and its implications for the security situation. The threat assessment from the global, national and regional perspective with likely effects on the prevailing situation in J&K was also deliberated upon. An in-depth assessment of the agitational dynamics and white-collar terrorism was presented in one of the sessions to enlighten the audience about the hidden agenda of adversaries. The webinar was attended

by about 1,100 officers from 32 different stations under the Southern Command. The conduct focused on evolving social, political and economic contours in Kashmir, post abrogation of Article 370 and the consequent paradigm shift in the global and national security scenario. It was followed by an interactive session on the future road map. Eminent practitioners who have dealt with Kashmir from various pillars of governance presented their candid views. The panelists included Lieutenant General D P Pandey, GOC Chinar Corps, Lieutenant General KJS Dhillon (Retd), Ex GOC Chinar Corps, who was at the helm of affairs during the Pulwama incident, along with Rajendra Kumar, Ex DGP J&K and TCA Raghavan, former High Commissioner to Pakistan and a foreign policy expert.

## BJP celebrates 42nd Foundation Day across J&K



BJP J&K Secretary and Prabhari Akhnoor District, Rekha Mahajan along with party workers cutting cake.

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JAMMU: Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) celebrated its 42nd Foundation Day across Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir. J&K BJP President Ravinder Raina and former Dy Chief Minister Kavinder Gupta accompanied by other senior party leaders hoisted BJP flag at party headquarter, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu. Office Secretary Tilak Raj Gupta, Spokesperson Balbir Ram Rattan, Mahila Moreha President Sanjita Dogra, District President Vinay Gupta, senior leader Shailja Gupta, Councillors Lucky Puri, Ajay Gupta & Jyoti Devi, Sanjay Bakshi and other party leaders were also present in the programme at party headquarter. All District Presidents of BJP hoisted party flags at their respective District Offices. Ravinder Raina, said that BJP was established to provide a strong nationalist voice in political space. Kavinder Gupta emphasized on historical relevance of the need of a strong political party based on the values of nationalism. Meanwhile, BJP Kashmir unit also celebrated 42th foundation day. Speaking on the occasion National General Secretary Vinod

Tawdey said that people have made BJP as the country's largest political party in terms of representation in the national parliament and state assemblies and 'Lotus' is blooming in every nook and corner of the country. Co-Incharge J&K Ashish Sood said that BJP always aims to work for the welfare of the people. While unfurling the party flag, General Secretary Organization Ashok Kaul said that BJP was one among few parties in India to have a popular-based governing structure, where workers and leaders at local level have a great say in much of the decision-making. Others present on the occasion included Ashok Bhat, Manzoor Bhat, Arif Raja, Dr Rafi and Salinder Singh. On the occasion of 42nd Foundation Day of BJP, Secretary J&K and Prabhari Akhnoor District, Rekha Mahajan, along with District President Akhnoor, Jagdish Bhaghat and District team hoisted party flag at BJP Office Akhnoor, followed by cutting of cake and distribution of sweets. Rekha Mahajan, while speaking on the occasion, said that BJP is a party of ethics, values & morals and being a BJP Karyakarta is always a moment of great pride. Jagdish Bhagat also spoke on the occasion. Further, a flag hoisting programme was held at house of BJP activist of Satwari

Mandal under falling Gandhi Nagar constituency, wherein senior BJP leader Baldev Singh Billawaria hoisted party flag. Speaking on the occasion, Billawaria said that BJP is the biggest party in the country in which hard working activists are given respect. "Right from the day one when BJP government came to power, various schemes have been started for welfare of all sections. There is only one Mantra of top leadership of BJP that person sitting at the last should also get full benefits," said Billawaria, asking cadre to make people aware of policies and programmes of party. To celebrate Bhartiya Janta party "Sathapna Divas", BJP Senior Leader and JMC Councillor Sanjay Kumar Baru hoisted party flag in a function organized by Jammu west (Booth-42) in presence of BJP President Rakesh Sharma at Wazir Lane, Bohri in ward-41. Speaking on the occasion Sanjay Kumar Baru said

Booth President will have to play an important role in bringing all public welfare schemes of Narinder Modi led Union Government to grass-root level, he said BJP booth Committee members are the main mediator between the government and masses for smoother implementation of these welfare schemes. On the occasion BJP district president Jaideep Singh Sanyal, Ward President Ashok Wazir, Brijesh Gupta, Vinod Wazir, Jatinder Khajuria, party workers and locals were also present.

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