

www.whtc.in

33-B, Sarabha Nagar, Ludhiana, Punja

SEHR TIME: 04:47 (APRIL 6)

THE BOLD VOICE OF J&K Vol. 28 Issue 93 • Jammu • Wednesday • April 5, 2023 • Pages 12 • ₹ 2.50

Chief Information Commissioner briefs Dr Jitendra about J&K RTI disposal rate

Mayor says, unprecedented developments outcome of PM Modi's slogan of govt at grass-root level

Website: www.statetimes.in, Email: statetimes1@gmail.com

Gujarat police reach J&K to take Kiran Patel's custody in property grab case

SIA conducts raids at multiple Latest Machines, Proper Sterilization locations in terror funding case STITCHLESS & SCARLESS STATE TIMES NEWS SRINAGAR: The

Regd. No. L-29/JK-346/22-24

Investigation Agency (SIA) Tuesday conducted raids at multiple locations in three districts of Jammu and Kashmir in connection with a

terror funding case, officials

"The SIA carried out searches in connection with investigation of case FIR No 22/2022, U/S 13,17,38 and 40 of UA(P) Act, PS CIK/SIA Kashmir. The searches were conducted at multiple locations in three Districts Kupwara, Baramulla and Srinagar," an

official said. The case was registered to unearth the logistic and funding support channels of terrorism, emanating from Pakistan and its ISI net-

work, the officials said. "Since the conspiracy is deep rooted and has multiramifications, hence covers wide range of subjects and locations to be scanned and



SIU sleuths seizing vehicles involved in terror cases at Srinagar.

analysed...current searches have been an essential aspect of the investigation to collect relevant and vital evidences for the logical conclusion of the case," the official said.

In this connection, the officials said obeying the search orders issued by TADA Court Srinagar, the sleuths of SIA Kashmir conducted searches at five potential locations in the three districts under legal provisions of criminal procedure code.

However, no arrests were made from any of the

searched locations, they said, adding the investigation of the case is going on.

Meanwhile, continuing its crackdown on terror elements, Special Investigation unit (SIU-II) Srinagar on Tuesday attached one TATA vehicle (JK15-2207) and Pulsar 200Motorcycle JK13H-2452 in FIR No 41/2022 under section 7/25AA Act & 13, 18, 20, 23, 39 & 39 UA (P)Act of PS Shaltang and FIR 02/2023 under section 8/21

Highway to remain closed for repairs on April 7

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

RAMBAN/JAMMU: The Jammu-Srinagar national highway will remain closed on April 7 for carrying out repairs in landslide-hit areas of Ramban district, officials said Tuesday.

The 270-km-long highway, which is the only all-weather road link between Kashmir and the rest of the country, was blocked several times due to landslides and shooting stones in the past

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

J&K Govt conducts social audit of works in 4291 Panchavats ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The government of Jammu and Kashmir has successfully conducted social audit of works in all 4291 Gram Panchayats in the UT to improve transparency and accountability in implementation of various schemes and programmes.

The unwavering support of Commissioner Secretary RD&PR, Mandeep Kaur

Inaugurates LADC Office at Samba

Everyone should know law being a responsible citizen: Chief Justice

Air surcharge 50 paisa for Leh



J&K and Ladakh speaking during an event at Samba.

STATE TIMES NEWS

SAMBA: Justice Singh, Chief Justice, High Court of J&K and Ladakh and Patron-in-Chief, J&K LSA, on Tuesday inaugurated Legal Aid Defense Counsel office at ADR Centre Court Complex, Samba in presence of Justice Tashi Rabstan, Judge, High Court of J&K and Ladakh and Executive Chairman, Legal Authority.

Sonia Gupta, Principal District and Sessions Judge, (Chairperson, Samba, Anuradha Gupta, Commissioner Deputy Samba, SSP Benam Tosh, judicial officers, Bar members and officers of police and civil administration were present on the occasion.

A ceremonial guard of honour was given to the Chief Justice.

Chief Justice and Justice Tashi Rabstan planted the Court Complex. After inaugurating the

LADC office, Chief Justice addressed the gathering of lawyers and other stakeholders present in the Court Complex. He highlighted the importance of LADC office and urged upon the general public to take maximum benefit of free legal services being provided by the Legal Services Institutions through the aegis of J&K Legal Services Authority to the needy, poor and marginalized section of the society.

While handing over the engagement orders to Deputy Chief Legal Aid Defense Counsel namely Nisha Rani (Advocate) and Assistant Legal Aid Defense Counsel Versha Anthal (Advocate), Chief Justice congratulated both the appointees and exhorted upon them to discharge

Kunfer tunnel along Jammu-Srinagar NH nears completion, one tube likely to be opened next week



STATE TIMES NEWS

RAMBAN/JAMMU: The work on the Kunfel tunnel connecting Peeda with Chanderkote along the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway is nearing comple-

J&K announces Rs 560 Cr project to create robust market ecosystem

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir administration has announced a Rs 560-crore project under the Holistic Agriculture Development Programme (HADP) to strengthen the existing market infrastructure and create a robust market ecosystem to boost the region's economy and benefit farmers.

The project aims to improve the terms of trade (ToT) in favour of farmers.

Union Secretary

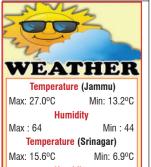
releases JaKeGA

improve the efficiency ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

annual report 2022-23 ■ STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Union Secretary Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Alkesh Kumar Sharma, on Tuesday released the first annual report 2022-23 of Jammu and Kashmir e-

Governance Agency (JaKeGA), IT department. CEO JaKeGA, Abhishek Sharma, Director

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9





Chugh said the Bhagwant Singh Mann government is trying to spread complete anarchy in Punjab and the way it has failed to check the activities of self-proclaimed Kahlistan ideologue Amtritpal Singh and



AAP Govt colluded with Lawrence Bishnoi: Chugh

'Inquiry report on his interviews must be made public'

Bishnoi it makes clear that the AAP government is unable to control such elements and it goes on to the extent of giving an impression to the Punjabis that the AAP government is in the gangster Lawrench collusion with the antinational and anti-social elements.

Chugh said the manner in which media interviews conducted for Lawrence Bishnoi spoke volumes about the collusion

recent report submitted to the Union Home Ministry about 28 gangsters operating in Punjab also endorses factthat thr Bhangwant Mann government was playing soft on anti-national and antisocial forces. There is complete collapse

the gangsters. He said the

of law and order in Punjab under the AAP government when daylight robberies and lootings are taking place. Chugh demanded that the government must make the report about the Lawrence Bishnoi inquiry

charges in porn star hush money scandal ance as he arrived at the courthouse at 1.24pm amid a WASHINGTON: Donald Trump, who just over two

Donald Trump arrested; pleads not guilty to 34

years ago sat atop the United States executive branch as the 45th president, was arrested and formally charged with 34 felonies relating to falsifying business records around hush money payments during the 2016 presidential cam-

paign on Tuesday. He pleaded not guilty to all 34 charges during an appearance Manhattan Criminal Court on Tuesday.

heavy security presence from the NYPD and Secret Service after rival sets of pro-



testers had earlier clashed outside court. However once he was in

court, Trump cut a deflated figure as he appeared

CONTD ON PAGE 9

Majority of Pak attempts to smuggle weapons, narcotics foiled in J&K: ADGP

STATE TIMES NEWS SAMBA/JAMMU: A day

tubes likely to be thrown

open for traffic by the end of

next week, officials said on

Tuesday. The construction of

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

the 924-metre tunnel,

after the recovery of a cache of arms near the International Border, a senior police officer on Tuesday said Pakistan is making repeated attempts to smuggle weapons and narcotics but majority of these were foiled by the security forces guarding the borders.

"Pakistan is making repeated attempts to smuggle weapons, improvised explosive devices and grenades (in



the recent past) but majority of these attempts were foiled as we have full control of the Additional Director General of Police, Jammu zone, Mukesh Singh told reporters in Samba.

On Monday, security forces recovered three pistols, six magazines, four hand grenades and 48 rounds of ammunition from a packet believed to have been dropped by a Pakistani drone near the International Border in Samba district.

"I want to assure all that all the conspiracies

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Former chief minister and veteran politician Ghulam Nabi Azad has favoured early polls in Jammu and Kashmir saying the exercise is "very much" important not only for democracy but also for resolving issues of the common people of the region.

He also rejected that his newly-created political party will have a pre-poll alliance before polls are held in the Union Territory.

"We are very keen, rather we are getting very late because we have almost completed nine years - after two or three months we will be entering the 10th year after the elections.

"Elections are very much important



for not only democracy but also for issues which the people of the state are confronted with," he told PTI in an interview.

He said while restoration of statehood is an important thing but this is not up to the assembly. "I am happy and thank-

to impersonate

bank employees

customer

care executives

from banks

to

obtain

sensitive

information

from you

steal money

from your

Account.

ful to the Prime Minister, home minister that after our repeated speeches in the parliament both of them assured on the floor of the house, that the statehood would be restored," he said.

When the Prime Minister called the all-party meeting, there the Home Minister also repeated commitment of restoration of statehood but made it clear that it would be done after the elections are held.

Azad, who has been campaigning in Jammu and Kashmir, ruled out any tie ups before the elections. "I don't think I would have any tie up with any political party before elections. And post elections one does not know whether any political party ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

Modi calls for integrated response to disasters



STATE TIMES NEWS

DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday underlined the need for an integrated response to disasters, saying disaster in one region can have a big impact on a completely different region in a closely connected world.

In his video address at the International Conference on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure 2023, he noted that 40 countries have become part of the Coalition for Disaster Infrastructure Resilient

(CDRI) in a few years. Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina also delivered a video message. The conference has become

an important platform for advanced and developing economies, large and small countries, and the global north and global south to come together on one platform, Modi said. He said infrastructure is

not merely about returns, but also about reach and resilience.

Infrastructure should leave none behind and serve people, including in times of crisis, he added, stressing on having a holistic view of infrastructure.

Social and digital infrastructure is as important as transport infrastructure, he said.

Infrastructure' is the theme of this year's conference. ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

'Resilient and Inclusive





Beware of

WhatsApp Scams



Avoid Falling Victim to Cybercriminals WhatsApp Scams often use WhatsApp

DOs

Always verify the identity of the person sending the message. In case of any suspicion, call the bank's Customer service number

1800 890 2122

Stay vigilant and report suspicious activity, if any, immediately on Number 1930.

DONTs

■ Do not share sensitive information such as passwords, PINs, CVV, Card Number or other account related information on phone or over WhatsApp.

Do not click on links or download attachments from unknown/suspicious

An Initiative under Cyber Jaagrookta Abhiyaan

Relish ease-of-services with J&K Bank's WhatsApp Banking 9906663937

Max: 95 Min: 68 Sunset: 18:53 Hours Sunrise: 06:17 Hours