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## We won't rest until completely wiping out terrorism, entire ecosystem from J&K: LG



LG Manoj Sinha addressing gathering after inaugurating week-long mega surgical camp at Doda and Kishtwar.

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Thursday inaugurated the week-long Mega Surgical Camp, at Doda and Kishtwar.

Camp at 3 different loca-

tions- Associated Hospital of GMC Doda, District Hospital Kishtwar & SDH Bhaderwah, being organised by Rotary International in collaboration with District Administrations of Doda & Kishtwar and Department of

- ▶ **LG inaugurates week-long Mega Surgical Camp at Doda, Kishtwar**
- ▶ **Says 'Health for All' is top priority for me and J&K administration ensured in past few years that everyone has access to effective and quality health services**
- ▶ **We have improved physical infrastructure and invested in essential services for timely and appropriate healthcare**
- ▶ **There is a single resolve behind improvement in physical facilities - to provide better protection to people during health emergencies and to ensure healthy living and well-being for people of all age groups**
- ▶ **Entire health system has been sensitized in last five years to ensure essential healthcare and develop infrastructure for non-communicable diseases like mental health and psychosocial support in every district**
- ▶ **I assure you all that promoting**

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## Rahul Gandhi tarnishing India's image abroad: Chugh

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Taking a jibe at the frequent international visits of Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha, Rahul Gandhi, BJP National General Secretary Tarun Chugh on Thursday accused the Congress leader of maligning India's image on foreign soil.

In a media interaction, Chugh said, "What he (Rahul Gandhi) is lecturing about in the US-how the nation is plundered, how caste-based divisions are created, how divisive politics is promoted, how the

Congress orchestrated the 1984 anti-Sikh riots, how Bhopal gas tragedy victims



were abandoned, and how seams like Bofors and the Commonwealth Games were executed-amounts to tarnishing the country's reputation."

He alleged that Gandhi's trips were less about lectures and more about escaping Delhi's scorching summer, suggesting that his so-called academic visits were mere political tourism.

Commenting on the National Herald case, Chugh reminded that both Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi are currently out on bail. "As the law takes its course, the Congress plays the victim card and cries political vendetta. The Gandhis and Vadras are

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## IBCA headquarters to be set up in India

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**  
NEW DELHI: The government and the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) on Thursday signed an agreement to establish the alliance's headquarters and secretariat in India, the Ministry of External Affairs announced.

The IBCA was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on April 9, 2023, during the 50th anniversary celebration of 'Project Tiger'. It became a treaty-based inter-governmental organisation in 2025.

The 'Headquarters Agreement' was signed by P Kumaran, Secretary

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## Waqf case: Centre says won't denotify properties SC grants it 7 days to reply to pleas

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**  
NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Thursday recorded the Centre's assurance that neither waqf properties, including "waqf by user", will be denotified nor appointments will be made to the central waqf council and boards till May 5.

The Centre strongly opposed the Supreme Court's proposal to pass an interim order against the denotification of waqf properties, including 'waqf by user', aside from staying a provision allowing the inclusion of non-Muslims in the

central waqf councils and boards.

"During the course of hearing, the solicitor general



states that the respondent (Union of India) would like to put in a short response within seven days. He further states and assures that till the next date of hearing,

no appointments will be made to the council and boards under sections 9 and 14 (of the Act)," the bench said.

Mehta, the court recorded further, had also said that till the next date of hearing, waqf properties, including 'waqf by user' already registered or declared by way of notification, shall not be disturbed and denotified.

A three-judge bench comprising Chief Justice Sanjiv Khanna and Justices Sanjay Kumar and K V Viswanathan was urged by solicitor general

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## CRPF 'backbone' of mission to rid country of Naxalism by March 2026: Shah

### Shah praises CRPF for keeping J&K peaceful

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**  
NEEMUCH (MP): Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Thursday said Naxalism, which is confined to just four districts in India, will be eliminated by March 31 next year, and the CRPF is the "backbone" of this mission.

He was addressing the Central Reserve Police Force's (CRPF) 86th Raising Day function in Madhya Pradesh's Neemuch district.

"The Naxalites who dreamt of spreading red terror from Pashupatinath to Tirupati are today confined to just four districts. The biggest contribution in this is of CRPF. The menace (of Naxalism) will end in the



Home Minister Amit Shah inspecting 'Guard of Honour' at CRPF Day Parade-2025 in Neemuch, Madhya Pradesh.

country by March 31, 2026, as stated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi," Shah said.

The Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) and the CRPF, especially its CoBRA battalion, are playing a major role in eliminating

Naxalism from the country, he said.

The Commando Battalion for Resolute Action (CoBRA) is a specialised unit of the CRPF, known for its proficiency in

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## India asks Pakistan to vacate illegally occupied part of J&K

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**  
NEW DELHI: Jammu and Kashmir's only relationship with Pakistan is that of Islamabad vacating the illegally occupied part of the Union Territory, India said on Thursday, strongly trashing Pakistan Army Chief Gen Asim Munir's remarks on the region.

In his address at an event in Islamabad this week, Gen Munir described Kashmir as the "jugular vein" of Pakistan and asserted that no one would be able to separate Kashmir from his country.

"How can anything foreign be in a jugular vein? This is a Union territory of India. Its only relationship with Pakistan is the vacation

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## Major reshuffle in police: 17 IPS, 96 JKPS officers transferred

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: The Home Department on Thursday transferred 17 IPS officers and 96 JKAS officers.

Range; Shiekh Junaid Mehmood, IPS-2009, awaiting posting as DIG IR Kashmir; Umesh Kumar, IPS-2009, DIG Home

Kumar Yadav, IPS-2013, Div. Commandant, Home Guards Jammu as SO to IGP Technical Services; Ajaz Ahmad Bhat, IPS-2013,

**Sarah DIG Udh-Reasi range; Rayees DIG CID Kmr; Johar Director Police Telecom; Amritpal SSP Anantnag; Sundeepp SSP Srinagar; Rohit SSP SSG; Khalil SSP Ganderbal; Sanjay SO to DIG JSK; Hamid SSP Traffic NH; Farooq SP Traffic Jmu; Naresh SSP Kishtwar; Mohd Anwar SP ANTF; Munish Addl SP Security Jmu; Majeeb Addl SP Ramban; Gourav Addl SP Railways Jmu; Nikhil Addl SP CID CI Jmu; Amit Sharma Joint Director SSF**

According to the order issued by Chandraker Bharti, Principal Secretary, Home Department, Uttam Chand, IPS-2002, awaiting posting has been posted as IGP (Police Operations & Services) PHQ; Sarah Rizvi, IPS-2008, DIG IR Jammu as DIG Udhampur-Reasi

Guards Jammu as DIG Training PHQ; Rayees Mohammad Bhat, IPS-2010, DIG Udhampur-Reasi Range as DIG CID Kashmir; Jitender Singh Johar, IPS-2012, AIG Crime & Complaints, PHQ as I/c Director Police Telecommunication; Sanjeev

Commandant 3rd Bn IR as SSP Traffic City Srinagar; Ranjit Singh Sambyal, IPS-2013, SSP Security VIP Tech as Principal PTTI Vijaypur; Amritpal Singh, IPS-2014, SSP Tech CIDHQ as SSP Anantnag; G. V. Sundeepp Chakravathy,

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## Omar hits back at Mehbooba, asks whether writings about her father in Dulat's book are also true

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Thursday hit out at People's Democratic Party (PDP) chief Mehbooba Mufti for her remarks on former RAW chief A S Dulat's latest book about National Conference (NC) president Farooq Abdullah.

"If Mehbooba Mufti believes everything Dulat writes is true, then should we also consider what he wrote about Mufti's father in his first book as true?" he asked.

Mehbooba Mufti's father late Mufti



Mohammad Sayeed was the PDP chief and J-K chief minister.

Mufti said she was not surprised by the revelations made by former Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) chief Dulat in his latest book about Farooq Abdullah privately supporting the abrogation of Article 370.

"If Mehbooba Mufti ji thinks that everything written by Dulat is true, then should we think of what he wrote in his first book about Mufti's father as true too?" Abdullah told reporters. "If we consider that

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## Jammu region sees restoration of 95 pc power supply post windstorm

■ **STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: In the wake of a severe windstorm that disrupted the power supply across various parts of the Jammu region, the Managing Director (MD), Jammu Power Development Corporation Limited (JPDC), springing into action, launched a vigorous restoration drive, ensuring around the clock works to bring back the shattered power scenario on track.

Soon after the storm subsided, the MD JPDC conducted a detailed assessment and directed the Chief Engineer and concerned Executive Engineers to initiate urgent restoration measures across all affected areas. The MD was apprised of major outages including the tripping of 220 KV Salal Circuit-1&2, 220 KV Jatwal Transmission line feeding Grid Station Gladni, 220 KV burn Kishanpur feeding grid station Burn, thereby affecting almost all 132KV/33KV Grid stations including 132kV Rajouri Grid,

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**WEATHER**

**Temperature (Jammu)**  
Max: 35.0°C Min: 18.1°C

**Humidity**  
Max: 62 Min: 33

**Temperature (Srinagar)**  
Max: 21.5°C Min: 10.8°C

**Humidity**  
Max: 83 Min: 57

Sunset : 19:02 Hours  
Sunrise : 05:59 Hours

**Government of Jammu and Kashmir**

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**साप्ताहिक रंगधारा**

**(Weekly Theatre Plays)**

**Every Saturday at: 6:00 PM Sharp**

**Venue: Abhinav Theatre, Jammu**

**All are cordially invited**

**Program Schedule**

S. No	Name of the Group	Play	Language	Director	Duration (mins)	Date
1	Royal Dogras	Bali Aur Shambhu	Hindi	Mohit Mehra	65	19-04-2025
2	Hill Thespian	Aadmi Te Chuhe	Dogri	Sunil Sharma	65	26-04-2025
3	The Reflection Group	Chitta Singh	Dogri	Ravinder Sharma	65	03-05-2025
4	Ridhiaksh Theatre & Cultural Society	Vaishya	Hindustani	Dilshad Ahmad	70	10-05-2025
5	Bhartiya Kala Sangam	Galat Vyakaran	Dogri	Mohit Chib	70	17-05-2025
6	Pir Panchal (CESES) Organisation	Gadd Bateh	Kashmiri	Rohit Bhat	80	24-05-2025
7	Society for Environment Education & Modern Art	Malik Kamaal Naukar Dhamaal	Hindi	Shashi Bhushan	70	31-05-2025

**All are requested to come with family and friends to be part of this Cultural Initiative.**  
(Kindly be seated by 5:45 PM)

**Entry Free**

**Secretary**  
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