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water, and telecom facilities be made.  
He also stressed for enhancement of mobile connectivity along the yatra route as he directed that earth moving equipment should be placed at vantage points to clear the route in case of landslides.  
This is the first yatra after the COVID-19 pandemic and due to the high altitude, adequate arrangements will have to be made for yatris who have any health-related problems, he said.

The Home Minister asked for an adequate number of oxygen cylinders, medical beds at an altitude of more than 6,000 feet and deployment of ambulances and helicopters to deal with any emergency medical situation.  
All categories of transport services should be increased during the Amarnath Yatra for the convenience of passengers.

During the meeting, it was also decided to enable WiFi hotspots to ensure connectivity throughout the 39 km of the yatra route from Pahalgam in south Kashmir. The other route is through Baltal in central Kashmir where a pilgrim treks for nearly 15 km.

The yatra, which presents a big security challenge for the government, could not take place in 2020 and 2021 due to the coronavirus pandemic and was cut short in 2019 just before the abrogation of Article 370.

About three lakh pilgrims are likely to take part in the pilgrimage that is expected to end on August 11.

About 12,000 paramilitary personnel (120 companies) in addition to Jammu and Kashmir Police are expected to be deployed along the two pilgrimage routes, one from Pahalgam and the other via Baltal, officials said.

Drone cameras will help the security forces to ensure the protection of the pilgrims.

Besides the Amarnath pilgrimage, the meetings also reviewed the security arrangement especially in the wake of several targeted killings, including of Kashmiri Pandits, in Kashmir.

There has been a spurt in attacks on non-Muslims and outsiders living in the Kashmir valley since the abrogation of Article 370 of the Constitution in August 2019 which accorded special status to Jammu and Kashmir:

The security review comes following a spate of killings in the Union Territory.  
On May 12, Bhat, a government employee, was killed by terrorists inside his office in Budgam district. A day after, police constable Reyaz Ahmad Thokar was shot dead by terrorists at his residence in the Pulwama district.

Also last week, four pilgrims were killed and at least 20 injured when the bus they were travelling in caught fire near Katra in Jammu. Police suspect a sticky bomb might have been used to trigger the fire.

Bhat's killing triggered protests by members of the Kashmiri Pandit community who staged protests in the Valley demanding enhanced security and transfer of government employees to safer locations.

On Sunday, the Peoples Alliance for Gupkar Declaration (PAGD), a conglomerate of major J-K parties, urged Kashmiri Pandit employees not to leave the Valley as it was their home and it would be painful for all.

Top officials of the ministries of health, telecom, road transport, civil aviation and IT took part in the meeting to discuss logistics for the annual pilgrimage to the cave shrine dedicated to Lord Shiva at an altitude of 3,888 metres.

### Ram temple construction...

has already begun. Till now, approximately 75,000 cft (cubic feet) stone carving has been completed. The total requirement is about 4.45 lakh cft stone for the super structure alone in the temple," the statement said.

With the phased completion of the plinth, the final super structure construction will commence soon.

After detailed technical discussions with the project monitoring consultant and construction agencies, the design and drawing of the lower plinth was also finalised with the use of plain cement concrete below the ground, layers of granite stone, layers of Mirzapur stone and final topping by granite stone, it said.

The construction work on lower plinth will be undertaken by June 1, 2022.

As per the plan, the design and drawing of foundation of parkota' is also in the final stages of technical scrutiny. Various options are being examined taking into consideration the security and convenience of the pilgrims.

Another important activity is the work relating to Pilgrimage Facilitation Centre. The broad contours of the Centre is being finalised with the understanding that it will provide for a modular addition with the increasing numbers of pilgrims. Accordingly, the utility services within the complex has been planned, the statement said. The temple of Lord Ram is scheduled to be opened for the public by December 2023.

### 1 dead, 3...

has been cordoned and search in the area is going on.

Police has registered a case in this regard under relevant sections of law and investigation is in progress. Officers continue to work to establish the full circumstances of this terror crime.

Meanwhile, Jammu and Kashmir Pradesh Congress has strongly condemned the grenade attack at a shop in Baramulla in Kashmir and described it as reminder of the grim situation.

JKPCC Chief Spokesperson Ravinder Sharma expressed shock over the loss of a precious life in the attack who belonged to Bakhar area of Sunderbani, in district while three others are also seriously injured. He expressed sympathies with the family of the victims on behalf of the rank & file of the party.

The Congress party is deeply concerned over such repeated incidents of terrorist attacks and targeted killings which need to be checked by an effective strategy by the centre and various security forces.

We are fully with our forces to deal with the deteriorating situation. The govern-

ment must ensure safety and security of common man in Kashmir and de-al with the situation effectively for which all sorts of cooperation is with the forces and the government.

Meanwhile, security forces have arrested two Over Ground Workers (OWGs) of Lashkar-e-Taiba from Budgam district, police said.

"Police, along with security forces, have arrested two terrorist associates of proscribed terror outfit LeT in Budgam. Incriminating materials, explosives and ammunition were also recovered from their possession," a police spokesman said.

He said the security forces set up a checkpoint at Chandpora in Budgam and arrested the two terrorist associates, who were identified as Zahid Ahmad Sheikh, son of Jalal-u-Din Sheikh, resident of Alamnag Poshkar Khag and Sahil Bashir Dar, son of Bashir Ahmad Dar, resident of Mamath Budgam

"Incriminating materials of LeT, explosive material and ammunition, including one hand grenade, two pistol magazines and 15 AK-47 rounds, have been recovered from their possession," he added.

Accordingly, a case FIR No. 153/2022 under relevant sections of law has been registered at Police Station Budgam and investigation has been initiated.

### Gyanvapi: SC directs...

Judge Ravi Kumar Diwakar came on an application moved by Special Advocate Commissioner Vishal Singh who informed the court that Mishra had "deployed a personal cameraman RP Singh who was giving the wrong byte in the media on a regular basis".

In its order, the civil court said when any advocate is appointed as an advocate commissioner his position is that of a public servant and it is expected of him that he will discharge his duties with honesty and impartiality, and will not issue any irresponsible statement.

The top court which took up the matter at the fag end of the day's scheduled cases listed for the day said, it needed to balance the rights of contesting parties and clarified that the order of the civil judge (senior division), hearing the plea of petitioner Hindu devotees, directing authorities to ensure the protection of the area would not restrict and impede the rights of Muslim to offer Namaz and to perform religious observances.

This is an interim arrangement till counsel for the plaintiff is here. We need to balance the rights of contesting parties. The order of May 16, 2022, to the extent that DM, Varanasi shall ensure the protection of area where Shivling' is said to be found will not impede upon the rights of the Muslims to offer Namaz' and perform religious observances , the bench said in its order.

The apex court order came after it was informed by solicitor general Tushar Mehta, appearing for the UP government, that the plaintiff's lawyer Hari Shankar Jain had suffered some cardiac issues and was hospitalized in Varanasi.

Senior advocate Huzefa Ahmadi, appearing for the Gyanvapi mosque committee, said the Muslims need to perform wazu' or ablution as without that namaz' would have no meaning under Islam.

Mehta, submitted though he is not a party to the civil suit the place where Shivling' is said to be found is a place where Muslims perform wazu' and any damage may create a law and order problem.

They can perform 'wazu' somewhere else if it is necessary but the area where Shivling is said to be found needs protection, the law officer said.

Ahmadi said that a series of orders, which are unconstitutional, has been passed by the Civil judge and the latest of which was passed on Monday ordering the sealing of the area on an application by Jain in the ex-parte proceedings in which the survey report was yet to be filed.

He said since the top court is now seized of the matter, the entire proceedings before the civil judge needed to be stayed.

The bench, however, refused to stay the further proceedings before the civil judge and said, any judicial officer would understand the meaning of our orders. We don't need to stay it.

The clarification was given by the top court after Ahmadi pointed out that the impugned order in the opening paragraph says that the application filed by Jain (plaintiff) is allowed and had also issued specific direction to seal the area where the Shivling' is said to be found and restrict the entry of Muslims to 20 and direction to CRPF commandant to provide protection to the premises.

Ahmadi said the order impugned is an order passed in a civil lawsuit where prayers were made to allow the plaintiff and others to worship and a declaration about the place.

The prayer categorically speaks about changing the status quo of the religious structure which is a Mosque since time immemorial. This suit is barred as per the act of Parliament passed in 1991", he said.

Mehta said that Ahmadi should not cast any aspersion on the civil judge.

Ahmadi said when the committee approached the High Court, it said that the civil judge only appointed a court commissioner and the Muslim body's plea was innocuous and nothing will happen.

He said, Under the garb of proceedings, the status quo of the religious place is sought to be altered. These orders of the civil court should be stayed, the commission should be stayed and status quo prior to the proceedings should be restored .

The bench issued notices to the petitioner Hindu devotees and posted the plea of the mosque committee for hearing on May 19.

The Muslim side has been referring to the Places of Worship (Special Provisions) Act, 1991 and its Section 4 which bars filing of any suit or initiating any other legal proceeding for a conversion of the religious character of any place of worship, as existing on August 15, 1947.

### Vivek appointed Director...

Bank Limited in place of Atal Dulloo, IAS, Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary)," read an order issued by Manoj Kumar Dwivedi, Principal Secretary, General Administration Department.

### India rejects Pak...

own house in order, the leadership in Pakistan continues to interfere in India's

internal affairs and engage in baseless and provocative anti-India propaganda," he said.

Bagchi said the entire territory of the union territories of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh "have been, is and shall always remain an integral part of India."

"The delimitation exercise in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir is a democratic exercise based on principles of extensive stakeholder consultation and participation," he said.

Bagchi asked Pakistan to refrain from effecting any further material changes in the status of Pakistan occupied Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh (PoJKL) and vacate the Indian territories that are under its "illegal and forcible occupation".

"We reiterate that Pakistan must immediately cease anti-India cross-border terrorism and shut down its infrastructure of terrorism; stop the grave and persistent human rights violations in Pakistan occupied Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh (PoJKL); refrain from effecting any further material changes in the status of PoJKL, and vacate Indian territories that are under its illegal and forcible occupation," Bagchi said.

### Man dies after...

officials said. He was taken to GMC Hospital where doctors declared him brought dead, they said. The body has been kept in the hospital mortuary for a post-mortem examination and identification, they said.

### AI-driven governance...

has used technology in governance reforms in a massive way for achieving end-to-end service delivery without human intervention and offered to share such best practices with Gambia.

He pointed out that the reforms that have been implemented through technology intervention to bring transparency in the day-to-day administration include the implementation of e-office, e-leave management system, employee information system, Aadhar-enabled biometric attendance system (AEBAS), pension sanction and payment tracking system (Bhavishya) and public financial management system (PFMS), among others.

This is the 3rd capacity building programme being organised for Permanent Secretaries of the Gambia by National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG).

As many as 25 participants are attending the training programme being held in New Delhi from May 16-21.

Singh informed the delegates that India's shining governance and electoral reforms are being emulated by several countries in the world.

The minister said, India is celebrating its 75th year of independence as Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav and it is the fittest occasion to underline that bilateral relations between India and Gambia have been very cordial and friendly.

The minister said, the widespread adoption of e-office has created paperless offices in the central secretariat and enabled smooth governance functioning not only in the pandemic but also in day-to-day functioning, according to a Personnel Ministry statement.

The central secretariat has adopted the initiative of increasing efficiency in decision making in government wherein the channel of submission has been reduced to not more than 4 levels from 7-8 levels, it said.

"The desk officer system adopted by the government has ensured single point of file disposal. This has shown increased efficiency in processing of cases," the statement said.

Singh said, in order to redress public grievances, there is a dedicated Centralised Public Grievances Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS) -- an online system-- for grievance redress.

The year 2021 witnessed 21 lakh public grievances cases being received on the CPGRAMS with 19.95 lakh cases being redressed, he said.

Referring to the usefulness of capacity building training programmes, Mustapha Jawara, High Commissioner of Gambia requested Singh for more such training modules for mid-level officers besides the senior secretaries in the Gambian government. He sought specific help from the Indian government in areas like pension system, grievance redressal and e-recruitment.

### Jammu boy found...

possible." "While expressing all my sympathies, I request the parents and family members of Sushil to have patience in this hour of trial," Dr Jitendra tweeted.

### India aims to...

Wireless Planning Commission -- by the end of this month.

Minister of State for Communications Devisinh Chauhan said that indigenously developed 4G telecom gears will be deployed in BSNL network by end of this year.

Trai Chairman PD Vaghela said the implementation of the regulator's recommendation on 5G services and launching of 5G test for industry and startups will create new venues for all the vertical sectors leading to overall economic growth.

He said that going forward, it will be important for regulators to share and co-create infrastructure for reducing cost of services rollout and TRAI has started collaborating with infrastructure regulators. I&B secretary Apurva Chandra said that while there has been consolidation in the telecom sector, the broadcasting segment is a new entrant almost every day. He said the media and entertainment industry is expected to grow to USD 70 billion by 2030 from USD 25 billion and TRAI as a broadcasting regulator will have to play an important role in steering this growth.

### 15 DySPs Telecom...

Chief Secretary Home Department.

As per order, Deputy Superintendents of Police (Telecom) who have been placed in the Selection Grade include Kuldeep Raj Bhagat (Retd.), Bashir Ahmad (Retd), Akhter Khan (Retd), Gurdial Hans (Retd), Rakesh Kumar, Muneer Ahmad (Retd), Mohd Ashraf Bhat (Retd), Gh. Mohammad Bhat (Retd), Javid Iqbal (Retd), Fayaz Yasin, Akhter Hussain, Madan Mohan, Javid Iqbal, Manzoor Ahmed and Satish Kumar.

## Mysterious death of woman: Victim's husband arrested for abetment to suicide

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NOWSHERA: Police on Tuesday arrested a man on charges of abetment to suicide in mysterious death of his wife.

In an official statement, police said that on May 15, 2022, an information was received through reliable sources that a woman namely Seema Devi, wife of Rajesh Kumar, resident of Chowki village of Nowshera was found hanging in her house, in suspicious circumstances. To ascertain exact cause of death, an inquest proceeding under section 174 of CrPC was initiated vide DDR No 11 dated May 15, 2022 and enquiry was entrusted to PSI Vishal Kumar, an official said.

During course of enquiry, EO conducted all legal formalities and took dead body in custody, which after autopsy was handed-over to parents of deceased as they had doubt on husband of victim.

Later, a Special Investigation Team headed by SDPO Nowshera Tusif Rishu and SHO Nowshera Rajesh Jasrotia under the supervision of Additional SP Nowshera Amit Verma carried out detailed investigation and offense u/s 306 of IPC was made out against husband of deceased namely Rajesh Kumar, son of Krishan Lal, resident of Chowki Nowshera.

On this, inquest proceedings were converted in FIR No 87/2022 under section 306 of IPC registered at Nowshera Police station. Further legal proceedings are going on. Police said that accused, husband of deceased, was found involved in charges of abetment to suicide and had created hard circumstances for deceased due to which she took the extreme step. SSP Rajouri Mohammad Aslam said that this is second such case worked out in Nowshera sub-division in last two months and accused in both cases happened to be the husbands of victim women.



**Massive fire breaks out near BSF Belmat post and Gole Pattan Post and later controlled near BSF BT Post. The fire incident took place 3 km near Agriculture Chinore farm Marh on International Border around 8:00 PM and controlled at 10:00 PM.**

## CRIME REPORT

## Two women narco-smugglers nabbed; Rs 4.49 cash, 4 Kg Ganja recovered

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Continuing its drive against drug trafficking and substance abuse, Police on Tuesday achieved a major success by arresting two women narco smugglers from Narwal and recovered 4 Kg Ganja & Rs 4.49,000 cash from their possession.

As per details, a team from Police Post Narwal constituted under the supervision of SDPO East Syed Zaheer Jaffrey, led by SHO Bahu Fort Inspr Nayat Ali assisted by Incharge Police Post Narwal SI Aehal Rana while on Naka duty at Rajeev Nagar rounded up two women suspects. During search, 4 Kg Ganja and Rs 4,49,000 cash was recovered from accused namely Poppy, wife of Madan & Asha, wife of Late Rocky, both residents of Rajeev Nagar, Narwal.

Duo was arrested and FIR No. 135/22 under sections 8/20/27/29 of NDPS Act was registered against them at Police Station Bahu Fort. It is pertinent to mention that Poppy was already wanted in FIR No. 56/2021 registered under sections 8/20/29 of IPC. The whole operation was done under supervision of SP South Manta Sharma.

### 3 gamblers arrested; stake-money seized

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Acting tough against social crimes, Police on Tuesday arrested 3 gamblers and seized stake-money from their possession.

As per details, acting on specific information about gambling activities at Rawatpora Baghat, a party from Police Station Saddar raided a suspected location and arrested three gamblers, identified as Nazir Ahmad Parray, son of Mohd Yousuf Parray, resident of Rawatpora; Hakeem Mushtaq Ahmad, son of Late Mohd Sadiq, resident of Natipora and Manzoor Ahmad Chat, son of Gh Nabi, resident of Shah Faisal Colony; Soura. Stake-money amounting to Rs 53,000 and playing cards were also recovered from gamblers. Accordingly, FIR No. 50/2022 under relevant sections of law was registered at Police Station Saddar and investigation started.

### Poppy cultivation destroyed

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SOPORE: Continuing its efforts to eradicate menace of drugs from society, Police along with Executive Magistrate and Excise department destroyed poppy cultivation at Seelo area of Sopore. As per details, a party from Police Station Sopore along with officials of Excise Department and concerned Executive Magistrate destroyed poppy cultivation spread over vast area of land at Seelo area of Sopore. Accordingly,

