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Terror attack: Cop martyred, 7-year-old daughter injured

Those behind despicable attack won't go unpunished: LG

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: A police constable was martyred and his seven-year-old daughter injured when terrorists fired indiscriminately at them outside their home in Soura on the outskirts of the city, officials said here.

Constable Saifullah Qadri, the third policeman to be martyred in Kashmir this month, was leaving home to drop his daughter for tuition when the attack took place, they said.

fired "Terrorists Constable Qadri outside his house at Ganaie Mohalla in Anchar area of Srinagar district," an official said.

"Qadri and his daughter were shifted to the nearby SKIMS hospital, where he succumbed to injuries," the official added. The child suffered a bullet injury in her right hand and is out of dan-

Inspector General of Police (Kashmir range) Vijay



IGP Kashmir Vijay Kumar paying tributes to martyr Constable Saifullah Qadri (Inset) at Srinagar.

Congress.

Kumar expressed grief over the killing and said police teams have been sent to adjoining areas to nab the culprits. "We will soon get them," he said.

On May 7, terrorists shot dead a policeman at Aiwa bridge, close to the Anchar locality, while another policeman was shot dead in Pulwama district on May 13.

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha has condemned the martyrdom of the policeNational

People's

Conference also condemned the police constable's killing. Constable Saifullah Qadri was shot dead and his sevenyear-old daughter injured when terrorists fired indiscriminately at them outside their home in Soura on the outskirts of the city, officials said here.

"I strongly condemn the cowardly terror attack in Soura, Srinagar. I assure the people that those behind this

despicable attack will not go unpunished. I salute the martyr Policeman SgCt Saifullah Qadri. His service to the nation and supreme sacrifice will always be remembered," LG Sinha

"My thoughts are with the bereaved family. I pray for the speedy recovery of his daughter," he added.

National Conference leader Omar Abdullah also condemned the incident.

"I unequivocally condemn this attack on Constable Saifullah Qadri of J&K police in which he lost his life.The cowardly attackers not only killed Const. Qadri but also injured his 7 year old daughter, who I understand is out of danger.

"May Allah grant Const Qadri place in Jannat & may his family find strength to bear this great loss. A special prayer for the injured daughter for a quick &

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JKPCC Board of **Directors reconstituted**

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Government on Tuesday reconstituted Board of Directors (BoD) of J&K Projects Construction Company (JKPCC).

"In supersession of all previous orders on the subject, in terms of Article 62 (5) and 62 (6) of the Article of Association of JKCCC, sanction is accorded to reconstitution of Board of Directors of the Jammu and Kashmir

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Govt constitutes UT Screening Committee for implementation of Swadesh Darshan 2.0 in J&K **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: The Government on Tuesday constituted UT Committee Screening (UTSC) terms of Swadesh Guidelines Darshan 2.0 notified by the Tourism, Ministry of Government of India.

"Sanction is accorded to the constitution of a Union Territory Level Screening Committee for implementation of the Swadesh Darshan 2.0 Scheme in the

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Delimitation Commission's final order sent to LS, RS Secretaries

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: The final order of delimitation commission that redrew J&K's electoral map has been sent to the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha secretaries for laying it in both Houses of the Parliament.

Documents in possession of that the final order of the commission has been sent to the secretaries of the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha for being laid before the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha.

The documents also state that a copy of the final order was also sent to the

Chief Secretary of Jammu & Kashmir for laying it on the table of the Legislative Assembly of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

It is worthwhile to mention that had already reported that the final electoral map of Jammu & Kashmir would be tabled in the parliament for information of MPs.

While the report is expected to be tabled in the Parliament in the monsoon session in July- August, it would be laid before the Legislative Assembly of Jammu and Kashmir only after holding of elections in the UT. Jammu & Kashmir is without its Legislative Assembly for the past threeand-a-half years.

On May 5, 2020, the delimitation commission unveiled the final electoral map of Assembly and Lok Sabha segments of Jammu and Kashmir.

The panel has given six additional assembly seats to Jammu region, taking the number to 43 from 37, whereas the Kashmir region got one additional seat, taking the number from 46 to

Terror funding: Delhi Court likely to pronounce punishment for Yasin Malik today

STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: A Delhi court is likely to pronounce on Wednesday its judgment on the quantum of punishment for convicted Kashmiri separatist leader Yasin Malik, who had earlier

pleaded guilty of all the charges including those under the stringent Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), in a terror funding



Special judge Praveen Singh had on May 19 convicted Malik and had directed NIA authorities to assess his financial situation to determine the amount of fine likely to be imposed. Malik is facing a maximum punish-

ment of death penalty, while the minimum sentence for the offences committed by him is life imprisonment. On May 10, Malik had told the court that he CONTD ON PAGE 9

26 Rural Dev XEn, AEEs, AEs transferred, 27 BDOs adjusted

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: The government

on Tuesday adjusted 27 Block Development Officer (BDO) and 26 Engineers. "Consequent upon the

placement of the services of Jr. Scale Officers of JKAS at the disposal of this Department by General Administration Department vide Government Order No. 490-JK(GAD) of 2022 dated: 29.04.2022 and G.O. No. 523-JK(GAD) of 2022 dated: 10.05.2022 and subsequent to their joining and in the interest of administration, the following adjustments/transfers/ postings

SKICC Board of Governors reconstituted

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: The Government

on Tuesday ordered for the reconstitution of Board of Governors of the SKICC. "In supersession of all pre-

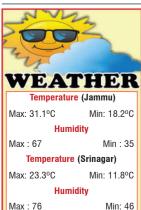
vious orders on the subject, sanction is accorded to reconstitution of the Board of Governors of the SKICC.' reads the order issued by Manoj Kumar Dwivedi, Principal Secretary,

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J&K SSB registers highest ever recruitment in 2021-22, since inception STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: The Chief Secretary, Dr Arun Kumar Mehta on Tuesday chaired a meeting to take stock of recruitments being made through the J&K Public Service Commission, J&K Service Selection Board, J&K Police Recruitment Board and J&K Bank. The Principal Secretary,

General Administration ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9



Sunset: 19:29 Hours

Sunrise: 05:28 Hours

are hereby ordered with immediate effect," reads an order issued by Mandeep Kaur. Commissioner/ Secretary, Department of

Rural Development and

Panchayati Raj. As per order, Deepak Kumar, presently posted as Block Development Officer (BDO), Kathua shall report to GADfor further posting; Pardeep Singh, Jr. JKAS, awaiting orders of adjustment has been posted as BDO, Kathua; Auqil Nuvaid, Jr. JKAS, awaiting orders of adjustment, as BDO, Block Gundana, Dada;

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STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Police along-

with security forces have

busted a terror module of

proscribed terrorist outfit

JeM in Awantipora by

arresting eight terrorist asso-

ciates. Incriminating materi-

als including ammunition

were recovered from their

Based on specific input,

several suspects were arrest-

ed and further leads were

developed that lead Police

and security forces to bust a

terror module of proscribed

Mohammad operating in

Awantipora. The arrested

terror outfit

possession.

Politicians encouraging sale ranted interference of the

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Like in Punjab,

the use of Chitta-diacetylmorphine, an adulterated drug form of heroin, is increasing manifold over the years. A shocking survey conducted in the recent times has revealed that the districts of Kathua and Samba besides parts of R S Pura in Jammu and Kashmir are becoming dens of Chitta.

The Chitta is easily being smuggled from Pakistan. However, it doesn't mean that the Chitta is not available in Rajouri, Reasi, Udhampur

in Awantipora; 8 arrested

eight terrorist associates

have been identified as

Mushtaq Ahmad Dar, son of

Bashir Ahmad Dar; Ishfaq

Ahmad Dar, son of Ab

Rasheed Dar; Manzoor

Ahmad Dar. son of Bashir

Ahmad Dar, all residents of

Rather, son of Mohd Rajab

Rather, resident of Pastuna;

Shabir Ahmad Rather, son of

Sanaullah Rather, resident of

Syedabad Pastuna; Mohd

Latief Rather, son of

Asadullah Rather, resident of

Svedabad Pastuna; Sheeraz

Ahmad Mir, son of Gh Mohd

Mir, resident of Aripal and

Waseem Ahmad Bhat, son of

Fayaz Ahmad

Wagad;

or any other district but the areas in Kathua, Samba and R S Pura are the leading sellers, importers of Chitta. A police officer,

on assurance of anonymity, said, A t times, we are help-

less as these narcotic smugglers or traders are aided and abetted by politicians of different political parties. The kingpins, whenever arrested, manage to get released due to the fact

Ab Gani Bhat, resident of

Incriminating materials

that within minutes of their arrest, telephone calls, particularly from the local politicians keep pouring at the concerned police stations with alibi like the nabbed person is innocent and sincere work-

SPECIAL REPORT er of their

respective party". Another senior officer, again on the condition of anonymity, confirmed the interference of the politicians that scuttle the efforts of the police in freeing the places from this menace

Disturbed by the unwar-

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Directorate of

Tuesday constituted a four-

Services

politicians, especially those from the local areas, the people in general and the law enforcing agencies in particular pin many hopes with the honest and straightforward Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha to rein in such elements and save Jammu and Kashmir from becoming another Udta Punjab. For this, the politico-narcotic nexus is to be crushed by giving a free hand to the law enforcing agencies to

Agri officials in bribery case STATE TIMES NEWS bribe of Rs 15,000. It was

CBI Court rejects bail plea of

JAMMU: Special Judge CBI Cases Jammu R K Wattal rejected the bail applications of Devinder Sharma and Rajinder Kumar, officials Agriculture Department who were caught red-handed by CBI while accepting bribe.

According to CBI, a Plant Protection Officer (PPO) and Field Assistant, both officials of Jammu & Kashmir Directorate of Agriculture, Jammu were arrested in a bribery case.

The FIR was registered on a complaint against them for allegations of demanding alleged that the complainant (a member of agriculture cooperative society engaged in sale, stocking and distribution) had filed an application with Plant Protection Officer, Jammu for addition of pesticide products of certain firms in the license of his cooperative society. It was further alleged that Plant Protection Officer (PPO) and Field Assistant, both demanded bribe of Rs 15,000 from complainant. Later, the bribe amount was negotiated at Rs 12,000 and CBI laid a trap and

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Police busts JeM terror module Lashkar-e-Taiba 'recruiter' arrested by ATS from Pune 4-member panel to probe 'wrong death declaration' Tried to take fresh recruits to J&K for training them of newborn in Banihal

tackle the alarming situa-

tion with iron fists.

STATE TIMES NEWS MUMBAI/PUNE:

Maharashtra Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) on Tuesday arrested a 28-vear-old man from Pune for his alleged role in the recruitment of terrorists for the banned outfit Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) from various states, a senior offi-The accused, identified as

Junaid Mohammed Ata Mohammed, was nabbed from Pune's Dapodi area and produced in a court in that city which remanded him in the ATS custody till June 3.

The suspect was in touch with active members of Pakistan-based LeT's terror

network through social media platforms, the official

Though originally a native

of Khamgaon village of Buldhana district in the Vidarbha region, Junaid Mohammed had been working in Pune in western Maharashtra, around 200km from Mumbai, since the last few years, he said, but did not disclose his profession.

He was apprehended by the ATS Pune unit after his alleged connection with LeT members came to light, he

Junaid Mohammed was assigned the task of recruiting new members for the

official said, adding as part of his mandate he tried to take fresh recruits to Jammu and Kashmir to train them to carry out terror activities in the country.

LeT from various states, the

from his handlers for completing the given task, he During interrogation it came to light that the terror

He would receive money

suspect had received Rs 10,000 from a Jammu and Kashmir-based account, the official said.

Junaid Mohammed told the ATS he had used at least 10 SIM cards to establish

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LG meets Cricketer Umran; says Govt will take care of his training

STATE TIMES NEWS

Jammu and Kashmir Lt Governor Manoj Sinha on Tuesday evening visited the pace sensation Umran Malik here and said the government will take care of his training and other facilities.

Umran, who received his maiden call-up for the national team for the upcomfive-match International home series against South Africa starting June 9, reached his Jammu residence Monday after taking part in the Indian Premier League (IPL).

A large number of enthusihis house. astic youngsters visited him

at his Malik Market resiwickets in 13 games for dence during the day and Sunrisers Hyderabad in the clicked selfies with him. He IPL but it's his ability to



was also seen waving at the bowl consistently at 95 miles

crowds from the balcony of per hour that has caught the imagination of all and sundry Umran has picked up 21 with calls for his immediate

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DB directs **DG** Prisons to submit report regarding capacity of jails in J&K, number of prisoners

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: While hearing a

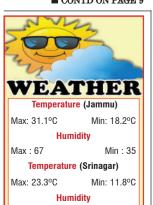
Public Interest Litigation (PIL) on condition of Jails in J&K and Ladakh UTs, a Division Bench of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court comprising Chief Justice Pankaj Mithal and Justice Moksha Khajuria Kazmi, directed Director General of Prisons to submit a complete report within a month with full details of the capacity of each jail in the Union Territory, the number of prisoners and under-trials lodged therein along with existing conditions and proposals regarding construction of any new jail within

When PIL came-up for

for the Union Territory of Ladakh informed that the iail manual has been amended, published and uploaded on official website of Union Territory of Ladakh. He further submitted that jail manual of the Union Territory of Ladakh is now in parametria with the jail manual of Tihar Jail, rather much advanced. In view of the above, the stakeholders are required to through aforesaid revised/amended jail manual and file objections, if any.

DB observed that regarding upgradation of jail manual of Union Territory of J&K, on the last occasion a statement was made that it has been revised and shall be placed before the Court

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Quad unequivocally condemns terrorism; denounces 26/11, Pathankot attacks **■ STATE TIMES NEWS** there can be no justification

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TOKYO: The leaders of

India, Australia, Japan and the United States on Tuesday unequivocally condemned terrorism and violent extremism in all its forms and manifestations. and reiterated their condemnation of terrorist attacks, including the 26/11 Mumbai and Pathankot attacks perpetrated by Pakistan-based terror groups.

In a Quad Joint Leaders' Statement issued after the second in-person meeting of the Quad leaders here, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, US President Joe Biden, Japanese Prime Minister Kishida and

Prime Minister Anthony

Albanese reiterated that

newly-elected

Australia's

for acts of terror on any grounds whatsoever.

We condemn unequivocally terrorism and violent extremism in all its forms and manifestations, the statement

The four leaders denounced the use of terrorist proxies and emphasised the importance of denying any logistical, financial or military support to terrorist groups which could be used to launch or plan terror attacks, including cross-border attacks, it said, without naming any country.

We reiterate our condemnation of terrorist attacks. including 26/11 Mumbai and Pathankot attacks, the leaders said in the joint

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member panel to probe a including ammunition were also recovered from their complaint against the possession. Besides, vehicle Banihal Community Health used in the commission of the Centre where a newborn was allegedly wrongly declared crime has also been seized. Preliminary investigation dead just after her birth, revealed that the arrested officials said. terrorist associates were Headed by Sanjay Turkey, Director

involved in providing shelter, Assistant (schemes), DHS Jammu, logistics and transportation of arms/ammunition to two the committee has been active terrorists of proscribed asked to submit its report terror outfit JeM namely within two days, they said. Asif Sheikh resident of The baby girl had survived Monghama and Ajaz Bhat miraculously after a local resident objected to her

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selection in top-flight cricket. the Union Territory. The whole country is

hearing, ASGI, appearing