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Congress plans to...**

mining or sand. They are looting Jharkhand's mineral resources," the PM said. He said, "Congress and JMM have unleashed fear among tribals by patronising criminals, extorting traders and murders have become rampant." He demanded to know from the people whether they wanted to punish those who snatched your rights.

"If you want so...the country needs your blessing...vote for BJP," he said. Modi added that it was the BJP which created a separate Jharkhand state whereas JMM has joined hands with such political leaders of INDIA bloc who used to say that a separate state can be created over their dead bodies, apparently referring to RJD supreme Lalu Prasad who had opposed statehood status to Jharkhand.

"Such forces were responsible for Jungle Raj in Bihar and are now active in Jharkhand," he added. He said Jharkhand is land of Birsa Munda and revolutionaries, who sacrificed their lives for the nation.

"Your affection and blessings are Modi's strength. BJP and Jharkhand's relationship is of heart's bond. If anyone understands the sentiments of Jharkhand and solves its issue, it is the BJP. We know what is in your mind. What do you want? BJP and Atal Ji created Jharkhand. Congress opposed its creation. It put a brake on Jharkhand's development. It wants to give credit of Independence to only one family," Modi said.

BJP not only acknowledged the great contribution of tribals but ensured 'Janjatiya Gaurav Divas' to pay tribute to great tribal icon Birsa Munda.

The Prime Minister said the BJP-led Centre is building tribal museums across the country whereas Congress and INDIA bloc opposed even making a tribal woman president of the country.

"JMM and Congress consider Jharkhand's 'jal, jungle, jameen' (water, forest, land), which are the natural rights of tribals, as their property. A huge amount of over Rs 300 crore was recovered from the premises linked to a Congress MP from Jharkhand. If Congress forms the government at the Centre, it will indulge in unrestricted loot," Modi said.

Congress put a brake on Jharkhand's development as it was accustomed to planning sitting in AC rooms in Delhi whereas BJP planned from the grassroots, he added.

He sought votes for party candidates in two Scheduled Tribe reserved Lok Sabha constituencies - Singhbhum and Khunti. The party has fielded sitting MP Geeta Kora, who recently switched to BJP from Congress, from Singhbhum and Union Minister Arjun Munda from Khunti. Modi is on a two-day visit to Jharkhand beginning Friday, during which he will also address two election rallies in Palamu and Gumla on Saturday.

**CBSE Class 10...**

and 12 results are likely to be announced after May 20," the board said in a note on its website. The board exams for the two classes were conducted between February-April.

**Terror hideout busted...**



in a post on X. The police said arms and ammunition, including two AK series rifles and four magazines, and other material was recovered from the hideout.

A case has been registered under relevant section of law, they added.

**Incumbent BJP MP..**

Apex Body (LAB) and KDA, and we will forcefully raise the demands within and outside the Parliament to fulfil aspirations of the people," he said, seeking support from the voters across the Union Territory.

The LAB and KDA are jointly spearheading an agitation for the past four years to demand statehood for Ladakh, its inclusion in the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution, separate Lok Sabha seats for Leh and Kargil and jobs for the local youth.

In Kargil, two founding members of the KDA - Mohd Hanifa Jan of the National Conference and Sajjad Kargili - filed their nominations as independent candidates. "I am not fighting on behalf of the National Conference or the Congress but represent the KDA," Jan, flanked by senior Congress leaders, including Kargil district president Nasir Hussain Munshi, told reporters after filing his nomination.

Munshi also defended Jan's joining the fray and said, "Some people in Delhi are taking decisions sitting in the air-conditioned rooms without knowing the ground reality. We had several rounds of discussions with the party high command and we have decided to support Jan's candidature who is KDA's candidate."

They said Jan's fighting elections will have no bearing on the KDA and the unity with LAB. "Both these represent the people of Ladakh and will continue to fight for their four-point agenda."

In a related development, Sajjad Kargili also filed his nomination papers as an independent candidate and said he will become the voice of the people. Kargili had also fought the 2019 parliamentary elections and was defeated by the BJP candidate.

Friday was the last day for filing of nomination papers from the constituency, which will go to polls in the fifth phase on May 20. The scrutiny of the nomination papers will be held on Saturday and the last date for withdrawal of candidature is May 6.

**Northern Army Commander..**

the Army said on Thursday. "#LtGenMVSuchindraKumar, #ArmyCdrNC accompanied by #ChinarCorps Cdr visited frontline units along #LineofControl in Gurez Sector and the hinterland forces to review anti infiltration and Counter-terrorism grid," the Northern Command said on X. The commander commended troops for their operational readiness in challenging conditions and exhorted them to maintain high state of morale in extreme weather and terrain conditions, it said.

**Committed to provide...**

the Lok Sabha polls, 11 days after the first round of polling on April 19. Officially sharing the turnout figure, the poll panel had said in phase one of the elections, 66.22 per cent of male and 66.07 female electors turned up to vote. The turnout for registered third-gender voters stood at 31.32 per cent.

In the 2019 polls, the turnout in the first phase stood at 69.43 per cent.

In the second phase of elections held on April 26, the male voter turnout was recorded at 66.99 per cent, while the female turnout stood at 66.42 per cent. As many as 23.86 per cent of the registered third gender voters came out to vote.

In the 2019 Lok Sabha polls in phase two, the turnout was 69.64 per cent.

In phase one, 102 seats went to poll, while in phase two elections were held in 88 constituencies.

**SIA attaches property..**

other associates Mohd Rafiq Khan and Gurpal Singh, they said. They said terrorist had exfiltrated to Pakistan for arms training along with other youths of Rajouri in 1992, and currently he is operating from Pakistan under LeT, they added. He was also instrumental in a number of terrorist attacks and activities in Rajouri, they said adding he is responsible for activating the sleeper cells and attracting the gullible youths to join LeT through over-ground workers (OGWs) of the terrorist organisation with the motive for waging a war against the nation.

**SFs launch CASO..**

The schools in the area have also been shut, the sources said. The operation was going on when the last reports came in from the area. Security forces are already on high alert and setup is fully activated following the

martyrdom of a Village Defence Guard member in a confrontation with unidentified gunmen in Panara village of Basantgarh in Udhampur District on Sunday, which is adjoining to Bhaderwah.

According to reliable sources, the suspected persons are possibly those involved in killing of VDG member in Udhampur, who fled from there towards forests.

**Police activate AI...**

workers (OGWs), absconders, history sheeters, thieves, and drug peddlers, they said.

"The advanced AI-based facial recognition system has been set up and activated at the Navyuga tunnel's checkpoint in Banihal, marking a significant stride towards bolstering security measures," the official said.

The system's implementation marks a pivotal step in the region's commitment to ensuring public safety and combating crime effectively, they said.

They emphasised the significance of the AI-based facial recognition system in swiftly detecting and apprehending individuals with a criminal record.

The technology's ability to identify a range of threats, from terrorism to local crime, is expected to play a crucial role in maintaining law and order within the community, they said. The AI-based facial recognition system is an integral part of smart policing initiatives, they said.

**CS reviews progress..**

Bank, with four proposals receiving approval from the World Bank. Besides, the discussions focused on expediting completion of the Bone and Joint Hospital and other crucial projects.

The Chief Secretary emphasized the need for an expedited procurement process for these new projects within given timelines. He also urged upon the concerned to pursue the Lalla Ded Hospital project approval with the World Bank at the earliest so that the same would be taken up further.

The meeting also reviewed the progress on upgrading 49 dewatering stations, advancing Lalla Ded Hospital project documentation, completing the State Emergency Operation Center structure and ongoing electro-mechanical component procurement. Besides, implementation of Integrated Operational Forecasting System (IOFS), Digital Risk Database (DRDB) and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems was reviewed in detail.

Notably, it was informed that the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) project has connected 72 out of 80 dewatering stations and are ready to be operated remotely by the Srinagar Municipal Corporation.

**Sonia Gandhi's attempt..**

Baba (Rahul Gandhi) twenty times, but her launching has not been successful. Today for the twenty-first time, running away from Amethi, he has filed nomination from Raebareli," Shah said.

He said, "Rahul Baba, I'm telling the result of Raebareli from here. Against BJP's candidate Dinesh Pratap Singh, you will lose by a huge margin. Write down my words." Rahul Gandhi is contesting the elections from the Raebareli seat in Uttar Pradesh, the constituency held by his mother Sonia Gandhi for the last two decades.

Kishori Lal Sharma, a close aide of the Gandhi family, has been fielded from the Amethi Lok Sabha seat, the party said in a statement on Friday.

The two seats will go to polls on May 20 in the fifth of the seven-phase general election. Ending days of suspense, the party announced the candidates from the two seats on Friday. Raebareli is a constituency which had earlier elected Rahul Gandhi's mother Sonia Gandhi, his grandmother Indira Gandhi and his grandfather Feroze Gandhi. The constituency has also been represented by family members and friends of the Gandhi-Nehru family. Rahul Gandhi has also contested the ongoing Lok Sabha polls from Wayanad in Kerala which went to polls on April 26.

**38 candidates file...**

Hussain Bhat, Firdous Ahmad Bhat, Shabir Ahmad Dar and Arun Kumar Raina as independent candidate besides Muneer Ahmad Khan from National People's Front, Mehraj ud Din Ahanger from All J&K Kisan Mazdoor Party and Suraya Nissar from National Republic Party of India. The scrutiny of the nomination papers will be held on May 04, 2024.

The candidate can withdraw their nomination before 03:00 PM on May 06, 2024 in the office of Returning Officer.

**Jammu's Cyber Cell solves online fraud**

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Cyber Cell of Jammu & Kashmir Police in District Police Jammu solved online cybercrime

Brief facts of the case are that a complaint was received at cyber cell DPO Jammu regarding financial fraud of Rs.1,78,200. The complainant received a message from telegram to give review and earn money and when the victim gave review he firstly got the amount, after that fraudster asked him to join one link and when the victim joined the link fraudster further asked him to invest more to earn more money. The victim invested Rs 1,78,200 and then fraudster blocked his number.

During the investigation, the Cyber Cell DPO Jammu, acted swiftly and exhibited hectic efforts which ultimately led to put on hold an amount of Rs 1,78,200/- out of 1,78,200/- in online cyber crime complaint. Further investigation is underway.

District Police Jammu, equipped with advanced technology and skilled personnel, remains at the forefront in the fight against cybercriminals.

**Notorious gang of truck robbers busted; 3 arrested so far**

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SRINAGAR: Police in Srinagar have busted a notorious gang of robbers by arresting three accused persons involved in the commission of crime besides, recovered stolen items from their possession.

On 29/04/2024, Police Station Shalteng received a written complaint from one person namely Hakam Khan (driver) son of Anwar Khan from Rajasthan, stating therein that during the night of April 28/29, around 2:30 am, while driving his truck bearing registration No. RJ19GJ3179 at Maloora, a group of men stopped the truck and forcefully took control of his truck and decamped with cash amount of ₹15,000, 02 cell phones including truck cleaner's cell phone, a gas cylinder, 02 watches and the truck's music system. The driver was also physically assaulted during the incident.

Regarding the incident, a case vide FIR No 28/2024 under relevant sections of law was registered at Police Station Shalteng and investigation was initiated.

During the course of investigation, the investigating teams raided various locations in Srinagar and after strenuous efforts of territorial officers and with the help of technical data analysis, zeroed in on three accused persons identified as Mohd Amir Keenu son of Mushtaq Ahmed resident of Palpora A/P Puran Teng Maloora, Adnan Ahmed Shah son of Mohd Aslam Shah resident of Kanipora Nowgam A/P Padshaha Bagh and Imran Ahmed Shah son of Gh Mohd resident of Kanipora Nowgam.

During preliminary investigation, it surfaced that these criminals operated a well-organized gang with a modus operandi of targeting vehicles plying on the NHW through Srinagar. Stolen goods including gas cylinder, mobile phones etc. have been recovered from the accused persons. They have been arrested and shifted to police station where they remain in custody.

Pertinent to mention here that these accused persons are also involved in robbery of trucks along Lasjan Highway on 23/04/2024 & decamped with cash Rs 8000, ATM cards, DL and mobile phone of the truck drivers. To this context, FIR 44/2024 stands registered under relevant sections of law in PS Nowgam. Search for other accused persons involved in the crime is underway.

**2 pickpockets arrested; stolen property recovered**

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
KULGAM: Police in Kulgam have arrested 2 pickpockets and recovered stolen property from their possession.

Police Station Kulgam received several complaints regarding pickpocketing in their jurisdiction. Accordingly, a case vide FIR No 54/2024 under relevant sections of law was registered & investigation was set into motion.

During the course of investigation, intensified patrolling and surveillance activities were carried out. After strenuous efforts and swift action by a team of Kulgam Police led by SHO Police Station Kulgam under the supervision of DySP HQRS Kulgam prepared a list of suspects. During questioning of the identified suspects, investigation was zeroed on in at two persons identified as Firdous Ahmad Sheikh son of Abdul Gani Sheikh resident of Dassen Yaripora and Rouf Ahmad Mir son of Mohd Rafiq Mir resident of Yaripora.

During questioning, both the persons confessed their involvement in the said crime and from their possession stolen cash amount of Rs 50,000/= and vehicle (Motorcycle) bearing registration number JK18-5061 they were used in committing the said crime has been seized. Moreover, they also revealed that they were using the trend to provide the lift to pedestrians from one place to another and in-between they theft the items viz pickpocketing. Further investigation of the case is in progress as more arrests and recoveries are expected.

**Notorious narco-smuggler booked under PIT NDPS Act**

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
BARAMULLA: Acting tough against drug peddlers and to eradicate the menace of drugs from the society, Police in Baramulla have booked a notorious drug smuggler under PIT NDPS Act.

The notorious drug peddler namely Mohammad Rafiq Khan @ Rafi Raja son of Ghulam Hassan Khan resident of Trikanjan Boniyar, Baramulla has been booked under PIT-NDPS Act after obtaining formal detention orders from the competent authority. The booked drug smuggler has been detained from Jammu and subsequently lodged in Central Jail Kot-Balwal Jammu.

Pertinent to mention here that many cases are registered against the said drug smuggler and was involved in promoting drug abuse trade by supplying drugs to local youth of Uri, Boniyar, Trikanjan, Bijhama & other areas of District. Despite his involvement in many FIRs, he did not mend his activities and was again involved in promoting drug abuse trade by supplying drugs to local youth.

General public of Baramulla appreciated the role of Police for their action against drug peddlers. Police' consistent actions against the drug peddlers should reassure the community members that police are making all efforts to keep our society free from drug abuse.

**Drug peddler arrested; contraband substance recovered**

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
KULGAM: Police in Kulgam have arrested a drug peddler and recovered contraband substance from his possession.

A Police party of Police Station Yaripora during patrolling at Humshalibugh, intercepted a suspicious person carrying a nylon bag. He has been identified as Karlep Singh son of Bishan Dass resident of Bass Panchal Ramban. During search, 4.5 Kgs of Poppy Straw was recovered from his possession. He has been arrested and shifted to police station where he remains in custody.

Accordingly, a case vide FIR No. 29/2024 under relevant sections of law has been registered in Police Station Yaripora and investigation has been initiated.

Community members are requested to come forward with any information regarding drug peddling in their neighborhood. Persons found indulging in drug peddling will be dealt as per law. Our consistent actions against drug peddlers should reassure the community members that we are making efforts to keep our society free from the scourge of drug menace.

**GRP Jammu nabs absconder**

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Continuing special drive against wanted criminals and absconders, GRP Jammu arrested Absconder Shabir Ahmed, son of Ali Mohd, resident of Tantily Barsan Inharrah, Tehsil Gandoh, District Doda involved in Prevention of Food & Adulteration Act. Accused was absconding since 2016, warrant U/S 512 Cr.PC was issued by the Hon'ble court on 04.03.2016. Accused was evading arrest for the last 08 years and finally apprehended by the team of Govt. Railway Police (GRP) Jammu.

**Authorities seize 3.63 quintals of banned polythene**

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
DODA: In a coordinated enforcement drive, Jammu and Kashmir Pollution Control Committee (JKPCC) and Municipal Council Doda authorities today seized 3.63 quintals of banned polythene.

The joint operation was conducted at a residential house in Akarambad, Doda, where the illegal material was unlawfully stored.

The operation, supervised by Deputy Commissioner, Harvinder Singh, involved Divisional Officer JKPCC, Gurpreet Singh; Naib Tehsildar Vidya Sagar, and Executive Officer, Amit Sharma from the Municipal Council Doda. The team, which also included police personnel, worked in tandem with local authorities to carry out the seizure of the concealed polythene.

The successful operation reflects the commitment of the administration towards enforcing environmental regulations. The district authorities have taken a critical step towards reducing environmental pollution and promoting sustainability in the region.

This crackdown serves as a warning to those who engage in the unlawful storage and distribution of banned materials. The authorities intend to continue their efforts to enforce environmental regulations and protect the ecosystem from the harmful effects of illegal substances like polythene.

**Missing BSF officer traced**

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: A missing BSF officer was traced by police on Friday. An information was received at Police Station Domana about the missing of a

ASI/GD Parmanand Hembram of 7th Bn.BSF Hq.Paloura whose missing report was entered at PS Domana vide DD No.03, Dtd.01-04-2024.

Acting upon this, a Police team of PS Domana led by SHO Domana put strenuous efforts and with the help of technical assistance as well as human intervention traced out the missing person and after completing all legal formalities the said person has been handed over to his Bn. Officer. Accordingly missing report has been closed.

**Thief arrested, stolen scooter recovered**

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Police Station Domana, Jammu made recovery in a theft case FIR No. 56/2024 U/s 379 IPC by recovering the stolen property.

On 15-03-2024, a complaint was registered at Police Station Domana about the theft of Scooty bearing registration number JK02-CK-1275 from Dayal House, Muthi Jammu under the Jurisdiction of PS Domana.

Taking cognizance of the matter, a special team led by PSI Younis Khanday under the guidance of SHO PS Domana was formulated to solve the case and nab the culprits. During the investigation several suspects were rounded up by the police and lastly one suspect namely Rohit Singh S/o Padam Singh R/o Gurha Salathia, Rakh Bharotian Vijaypur Samba on questioning confessed his involvement in the crime. On the confession of the said accused person, the stolen scooter has been recovered by the police. The investigation is still going on and further arrests and recovery is likely to be made. The accused namely Rohit Singh @Shallu is habitual thief and has been previously involved in multiple theft/snatching cases in Jammu/Samba District.

**CB takes cognizance of complaints from senior women functionaries**

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
SRINAGAR: Police on Friday said that it has received a series of complaints from Senior Women Functionaries holding public office along with other supporting material alleging therein that for last few days a Scurrilous communication is being circulated in various internet based social media (Whatsapp etc) whereby baseless, scandalous and derogatory allegations aimed at harming the reputation and integrity of not only these lady public figures but the public institutions and government organizations. Police said that authorship of the communication purportedly made in the name of "Manish Sharma" of Pir Panjal Times.

Crime Branch of J&K Police has taken cognizance of the complaints lodged by the women functionaries and has registered a case FIR No. 04/2024 U/S 467, 471, 500, 509 IPC, 66C IT Act and has taken up the investigation, reads the statement.

**Tiny Tots Hr Sec School celebrates World Press Freedom Day**



Students of Tiny Tots Higher Secondary School displaying posters on World Press Freedom Day.

**■ STATE TIMES NEWS**  
JAMMU: Tiny Tots Higher Secondary School celebrated World Press Freedom Day on Friday by organising a slogan writing and poster making competition.

The theme for World Press Freedom Day 2024 is "A Press for the Planet: Journalism in the Face of the Environmental Crisis".

The students of the school made posters and wrote slogans regarding the freedom of press and promoting the enhanced reporting of environmental issues.

Gurpreet Handa, Director of Tiny Tots Hr Sec School, while addressing the students highlighted the importance of accurate and timely journalism regarding making the public aware of environmental issues and the solutions to the environmental issues.