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annual Yatra, on priority.

He emphasized on sensitization of sanitation workers on cleanliness and hygiene. We need to pay special attention towards environment-friendly disposal of solid waste and piped water and power connection, lighting, and availability of necessary facilities at all toilets, he said.

Dr Mandeep Kumar Bhandari, Chief Executive Officer Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board; Dr Shahid Iqbal Choudhary Secretary, Rural Development & Panchayati Raj Department; Anoo Malhotra, Director General, Rural Sanitation, and other senior officials attended the launch cer-

LS polls presented...

in the last ten years," he added.

The senior BJP leader said the development that Prime Minister Modi has done in the last ten years is just a trailer. "We will get to see the full picture of development in the future." he added.

Throwing light on former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, who had represented Lucknow in the Lok Sabha Singh said, "This year Atalji's birth centenary year is to be celebrated. It is a matter of good fortune for us that we will get the opportunity to celebrate Atalji's birth centenary. I will tell all the workers of Lucknow that his birth centenary year should be celebrated with full enthusiasm.

Vajpayee was elected to Lok Sabha from Lucknow in 1991 1996, 1998, 1999 and 2004.

In the following Lok Sabha elections in 2009, the BJP maintained its dominance on the seat as Lalji Tandon was elected as the MP.

In the recently-concluded Lok Sabha elections, Singh scored a hat-trick by registering a win from Lucknow for the third consecutive time by a margin of over 1.35 lakh votes.

Reiterating his commitment towards the development of Lucknow, he said, "I will not let the pace of development stop in Lucknow. I will try my best to build a developed Lucknow in the next five to ten years.

Uttar Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Brajesh Pathak and former Deputy Chief Minister Dinesh Sharma also spoke on

GST Council tweaks...

panel. "What was decided in the Council is, when we meet in the next GST Council meeting we will start a discussion on rate rationalisation... There will be a presentation by the GoM irrespective of whether the report is draft... and then Council will start the discussion on rate rationalisation in the next meeting in August," Sitharaman said.

The GST Council on Saturday recommended to exempt Accommodation Services of up to Rs 20,000 per person per month from GST. This is subject to the condition that these services are supplied for a minimum continuous period of 90 days. "It's primarily meant for students," Sitharaman said.

In a taxpayer friendly move, the Council has decided to waive interest and penalties for demand notices issued under Section 73 of the CGST Act (for cases not involving fraud, suppression or wilful misstatement) for the fiscal years 2017 18,2018-19 and 2019-20, if the full tax demanded is paid by

GST, which subsumed 17 local taxes and cesses, was rolled out on July 1, 2017.

With its prices of various products and services used by

As per the CBIC data, mobile phones and many household tems including TV, refrigerator, washing machine and AC have become cheaper post GST.

It has reduced burden on household income and improved

The Council also decided to refer the standing committee's recommendation to exempt GST on fertiliser and cut rates on raw materials to the GoM on rate rationalisation.

Currently, GST is levied at 5 per cent on fertilisers, while its raw materials like sulphuric acid and ammonia face 18 per

Also the Tax Collected at Source (TCS) rate for e-commerc suppliers has been cut from present 1 per cent to 0.5 per cent which will ease the financial burden on the suppliers making supplies through E-commerce platform.

Besides, services provided by Indian Railways to the general public, namely, sale of platform tickets, facility of retiring rooms/waiting rooms, cloak room services and battery-operted car services as well as intra-railway transactions e exempt from GST.

GST Council has prescribed a uniform rate of 12 per cent on all milk cans meaning steel, iron, aluminum which are irrespective of the use.

The Council also recommended a uniform GST rate of 12 per cent on all carton boxes and cases of both corrugated and non-corrugated paper or paper board, which in particular, help the apple growers of Himachal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir.

All types of Sprinklers, including fire water sprinklers, will attract 12 per cent GST. Solar Cookers, whether it has a single or dual energy source, too will attract a 12 per cent tax.

The Council also decided that GST anti-profiteering provisions will have a sunset date of April 1, 2025. Current cases and investigations with regard to profiteering complaints will be handled by the Principal bench of GST Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT), instead of the Competition Commission of India

Also, the time limit to avail input tax credit w.r.t. any invoice or debit note through any GSTR 3B return filed up to November 30, 2021 for FY 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21, has been fixed at November 30, 2021.

Sitharaman said less than two per cent of the total 58.62 lakh taxpayers under Central GST administration has been sent tax notices and the intention of the government is to make GST assessees life easier by reducing compliance

"I want to reassure the assessees that our intent is to make GST assessees life easier, we are working towards less and less compliance. On behalf of the CGST, notices are not being sent left, right and centre. Only 1.96 per cent of all active tax assessees have been sent notices from Central GST, Sitharaman said.

Three ITBP personnel...

they said. In another accident, 22 people were injured when two private buses collided head-on near Ga-Bamal Morh on Akhnoor-Jourian road on the outskirts of Jammu.

One of the buses also hit a roadside tree after the collision they said. Eight of the injured were referred to Government Medical College (GMC) hospital in Jammu.

Security of Amarnath...

"Almost all arrangements are in place and we are working to ensure better facilities for pilgrims to make their stay comfortable," he added.

Dulloo said there has been a manifold increase in the capac ity of lodgment centres and other facilities for pilgrims and the pilgrimage will be monitored.

"Adequate security measures are being put in place. Whatever has to be done will be done as yatra security is our op priority," he said.

Man arrested for assaulting aged relative over land dispute

JAMMU: A man was arrested here on Saturday after a video of him purportedly assaulting a 70-year-old woman relative over a land dispute surfaced on social media, officials said. The accused, Prabhleen Singh, is the nephew of the woman,

A police spokesperson said the accused, a resident of Digiana, has been arrested and a case under various sections of the Indian Penal Code registered against him.

"In reference to the viral video on social media in which one person along with some ladies was seen assaulting an aged voman, police station R S Pura took immediate cognisance of the matter. A case was registered and investigation taken up," the spokesperson said.

He said the accused has been arrested and further investigation was underway.

Bovine smuggling bid foiled, 23 bovines rescued, vehicle seized

JAMMU: Jammu police tightening noose against bovine smugglers under operation Kamdhenu Police team of Police Station Nagrota today on 22.06.2024 foiled one bovine smuggling bid in which 23 bovines were rescued from vehicle (Truck) bearing registration number No.JK021D-3786 from naka point Ban Toll plaza. Driver of the vehicle arrested on the spot and disclosed his identify as Mohd Arif S/o Talib Hussain R/o Talwara District Reasi.

In this connection case FIR No.184/2024 under relevant ections of law stands registered at PS Nagrota. Investigation of the Case is underway. General public have appreciated the continuous and strict actions of police against Bovine smug-

102 bottles of illicit liquor recovered, Himachal based vehicle seized

STATE TIMES NEWS

KISHTWAR: In a decisive action against illegal activities, District Police Kishtwar intercepted a Mahindra Bolero Pickup Maxx (registration number HP24E/6786) in the

Chatroo area, uncovering 102 bottles of illicit beer, each 650 ml, originating from Himachal Pradesh.

Acting on a tip-off, a police team from PS Chatroo, led by SHO Chatroo, set up a checkpoint in Chatroo area under the supervision of DySP DAR. During the inspection, the vehicle was stopped and searched, revealing the concealed liquor. The driver, identified as Firoj Khan, son of Ilam Deen from Jhanjwani, Lehri Sarail, Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh, was arrested on the spot.

A case has been registered under FIR No. 36/2024 at PS Chatroo, and further investigations are underway. This operation reflects the district police's ongoing efforts to combat the illegal trafficking of contraband and uphold law and order.

District Police Kishtwar has issued a stern warning against engaging in such illegal activities, stating that any individual found involved in the trafficking or sale of contraband will face strict legal action. The police emphasized their dedication to maintaining the safety and security of the community and urged the public to report any suspicious activities

Interstate drug peddler of Bihar arrested with 5.8 Kg Ganja

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JAMMU : Continuing its unrelenting fight against drug trafficking and substance abuse under Operation SANJEEVANI



Police a c h i e v e dmajor success by recovering 5 kg & 811 grams of Ganja from drug peddler near Railway Pulley, Narwal under the jurisdiction PP Narwal.

Α team Police Post Narwal while on Patrolling duty in the jurisdiction of PI Narwal rounded up a suspected person, later identified as Shivshankar Kumar S/O Vipin Ray R/O Rampur Shamchand District: Vaishali, Bihar & during search 5 Kg & 811 grams of Ganja was recovered from his possession. In this regard case FIR No. 146/2024 U/S 8/20 of NDPS Act stands regis tered at P/S Bahu Fort and accused arrested.

Further, investigation of the case is going on including working on forward and backward linkages in the case. The arrest was made by the ic pp Nawal and SHO Bahufort under the supervision of SDPO city east and SP City South, Jammu.

Jammu Police is working intensively to uproot the chains of drug supply in the region by maintaining highest vigil, developing intelligence, acting tuff, community awareness and invoking the stringent provisions of law eg seizing of property

It is pertinent to mention that Jammu Police under the command of ssp jammu Dr vinod kumar, IPS is taking every pos sible step to make people especially youth aware to eradicate

CCIU recovers online defrauded amount more than 3 lakh

STATE TIMES NEWS

DODA: In a statement issued by J&K Police District Doda it was told that, CCIU (Cybercrime Investigation Unit of J&K Police District Doda has exhibited highest level of professionalism and commitment in combating against cybercrime by successfully solving and recovering huge online defrauded money amounting Rs. 3,40,000/- in the month of June,2024

While giving details J&K Police of District Doda said that the unit received complaints

from complainants namely (1)Baber Tariq R/O Nagni Kahara Doda.(2) Nayeem Ahmed R/O Charrote Gundana Doda (3) Suresh Kumar R/O Kuthyara Bhalla ,Doda (4 Vikar Ahmed R/O Naiedangri, Doda.

During the course of investigation, CCIU team, exhibit ed hectic efforts and advanced technical skills which ultimately led to the successful recovery of defrauded amount of

Mentionable here that CCIU Doda came to be estab lished on 07-02-2024 and since then the unit has successful ly recovered huge de -frauded money amount Rs.23,37,555

Police-public meeting held

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JAMMU: As a part of a public outreach programme and to improve the Police-Public relations, efficiency, transparency and accountability in Policing at the grass root and to develop confidence and synergy with citizens today on 22-06-2024, a Police-public meeting chaired by SP Hqrs, Jammu was conducted at Allah area falling under the jurisdiction of Police Station Arnia in which Police Officers including SHO Arnia ,I/C BPP Allah & about 200 persons including prominent/senior Citizens/youth also participated in the said meeting.

SP Hqrs Jammu briefed the participants regarding importance of good Police-Public relations in maintaining peace, tranquility and public order for welfare of society at large, at the same juncture it was lucidly conveyed to them that the Police will walk an extra mile for ensuring effective Policing in the area.Participants were briefed regarding the effective steps taken by the Jammu & Kashmir Police in Controlling Drug menace and other crimes and sought cooperation of the people in curbing drug peddling and other social

A patient hearing was given to the issues of the participants during the course of meeting. Participants raised few issues pertaining to Police & most of the issues pertaining pertaining to the civil administration. While on one hand the participants were assured that their gen uine grievances pertaining to police will be redressed on priority & at the same juncture they were appealed to extend their whole hearted co-operation in ensuring effective Policing in the area for maintenance of law and order, peace and



SP Hqrs Jammu chairing a meeting.

tranquility in the area.

SP Headquarters Jammu urged the participants to cooperate with Police and Civil administration in maintaining law & order in their areas as well as in identifying anti-social elements like drugs peddler, bootleggers, thieves, etc

Moreover, the public was also sensitized that the area falls near International border and in view of present security scenario, drone activity/tunnels is the immediate challenge and the people need to remain watchful regarding such attempts.

The participants were further briefed that keeping in view of sensitivity of the area, remain extra vigilant in their area and were also advised that if they notice anything suspicious or any suspicious person/vehicles roaming in their respective areas, bring Immediately it to the notice of the nearest Police unit.

participants briefed/advised to keep a supervision over the routine activities of their children and they If notice any thing unusual immediately try to cross check it. They were also informed that if any one who is drug addict and wants treatment can come to Police Drug De-addiction Centre Channi Jammu and all assistance/treatment shall be provided to the addict persons.

The participants were also advised to share the information of drug peddler if noticed in their area to the concerned Police immediately.

Follow the traffic rules and also don't hand over their vehicles to minors/unknown persons and always use Seat belts while driving their vehicles, also use helmets while riding two wheelers and avoid triple ridding/rash driving

Participants were assured by SP Headquarters Jammu that issues pertaining to police will be redressed on priority and those pertaining to civil administration will be taken up with the concerned quarters for the speedy disposal.It deserves to be mentioned here that towards the end of the meet, the public was fervently urged to become stake hold ers in Policing by coming up with fruitful ideas, so as to refine Policing in the larger interest of general public. The meeting ended with positive gestures and the public was thankful for organizing such interaction meets.

MD JJM visits Sopore, inspects ongoing projects which is being constructed

SOPORE: Mission Director, Jeevan Mission (JJM) J&K, Dr. G.N. Itoo on Saturday conducted a tour of Sopore subdivision of Baramulla district during which he detailed on-site inspection of various water supply schemes being executed under JJM.

The Mission Director was accompanied by Additional Commissioner Shabir Sopore, Raina; Superintending $_{
m Jal}$ Shakhti Engineer Department and other Engineers and officers. During the visit, Dr. Itoo

thoroughly inspected the Water Supply Scheme Rampura-Rajpura constructed at an estimated cost of Rs. 2.42 crore. The scheme when completed will provide portable drinking water to 275 households. During the inspection, the

MD said that the project is in final stages of its construction and will be inaugurated soon for the residents of this area and safe drinking water will be directly provided to their Dr. Itoo also inspected the

construction work on WSS Sangri-Muqam

DC Kupwara reviews preparedness for

at a cost of Rs.991 lacs. The project after completion will provide tap water connection to 421 households of the nearby villages.

During his visit, the MD highlighted the progress under the Jal Jeevan Mission in Baramulla district and said that against the target of 1.45 lakh tap water connections in rural areas, over 1.21 lakh connections have already been provided. He added that in Sopore sub-division alone, 43000 household tap water connections have been delivered against a target of 45000. The MD commended the support of the local administration for their role in achieving this goal and said that the department will further accelerate its efforts to reach 100% satu-

September this year. Later, Dr. Itoo conducted an on-site inspection of major Water Supply Scheme under construction at Bohripora Sopore. The project being constructed estimated cost of Rs. 11.45 Crore, will provide safe portable drinking water to 1130 households of the nearby villages on comple-

ration by the end of

10-Day Summer Camp concludes at **GGM Science College**



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JAMMU: The NSS units of GGM Science College recently concluded a successful 10-day summer camp, held from June 10, 2024, to June 19, 2024, under the esteemed patronage of Prof. Raiesh Kumar Gupta, Principal of the college. The camp featured a series of activities aimed at fostering creativity and instilling moral values in the NSS volunteers.

The camp's itinerary included poster making, essay writing, reel making, a cleanliness drive, and a visit to a local slum. These activities were designed to hone the creative skills of the volunteers and encourage a sense of social responsibility. The event was supervised by Dr. Rahul Kait and Dr. Neha Sharma, NSS Program Officers of the college. The summer camp culminated in a felicitation ceremony on June 20, 2024, where the efforts and achievements of the NSS volunteers were celebrated. The camp was a resounding success, providing a platform for volunteers to develop their skills and contribute to the community.

Supervisor Recruitment Exam **STATE TIMES NEWS**

KUPWARA: Deputy Commissioner, Kupwara Ayushi Sudan on Saturday presided over a comprehensive meeting to review the preparedness for the OMR based exam of Supervisor, Social Welfare Department, being conducted by JKSS-RB on June 23rd.

The meeting focused on meticulous review of logistics plans for the examination day and ensuring a free, fair and seamless examination process.

Deputy The Commissioner issued crudirectives Magistrates, Observers, centre Superintendents, Principals, invigilators and stakeholder departments, emphasizing the transparency and upholding of

SOPs to facilitate the smooth conduct of the examination.

The DC issued specific directives to various departments, including ban on mobile phones and electronic devices inside examination centers.

While

meticulously

reviewing the logistic plan for the examination day, the Deputy Commissioner emphasized the importance of pro??? lighting, seating arrangements besides bold signage and toilet facilities. The DC called for putting in place foolproof arrangements to avoid any malpractice during the examination.

The PDD department was directed to ensure proper power supply during the examination hours, while the Jal Shakti department was tasked with arranging adequate water supply at all examination centers. The ARTO Kupwara was directed to ensure proper conveyance at proper time for students appearing for exam.

Information Department was specifically directed to brief the Videographers hired for tomorrow's exam to ensure adherence to established

"Only purpose of the hiring Videographers is to cover /shoot while opening of the sensitive material and sealing of the sensitive material. Videographers aren't allowed to share or upload videos for any media channel or social media page" DC said.

Instructing officers to ensure sufficient staff deployment at examination centers, the DC emphasized the need for backup arrangements to tackle unforeseen circumstances.

She stressed on the significance of coordinated efforts from various departments to guarantee the integrity and fairness of the examination.

ADC Kupwara. Muhammad Rouf Rehman and ADC Handwara, Aziz Ahmed Rather, Member SSRB, Peerzada Zahoor Additional Kupwara, G.M Bhat gave briefing to Magistrates, Center Superintendents, Deputy Superintendents, on their roles and responsibilities during the critical recruitment process.

Kavinder calls for establishment of Duggar Channel to promote regional culture & heritage

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JAMMU: Kavinder Gupta, a prominent BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir, has advocated for the establishment of a Duggar satellite channel in the Jammu region to preserve and promote the cultural heritage and languages of the Duggar region.

His appeal came after meeting with a delegation from the Doordarshan Approved Drama Artists Association (DADAA) in Jammu, led by J.S. Babli, President of DADAA

The delegation emphasized that the Duggar Channel aims to safeguard the cultural legacy of the Duggar region and create employment opportunities, catering to over one crore Dogri-speaking people across various regions including parts of Pakistan, Punjab, and Himachal Pradesh.

Kavinder highlighted the historical inclusion of Dogri in the Eighth Schedule of the Indian Constitution during former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee's

tenure and stressed the need to continue promoting regional languages.

He expressed concern over the absence of a dedicated local channel in Jammu and Kashmir despite the establishment of two AIIMS and two Central Universities in the region, contrasting it with the existing Kashir

Channel.

Gupta affirmed his commitment to addressing these concerns with the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting in Delhi to pave the way for the Duggar Channel's establishment, underscoring its role in preserving and promoting the rich cultural heritage of

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