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LG orders reopening of parks, tourist spots in J&K

8 tourist destinations in Jammu; 8 in Kashmir Division to reopen from June 17

Betab Valley, parks in Pahalgam Market to be reopened

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

PAHALGAM: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Saturday announced reopening of 16 tourist destinations across Jammu Kashmir, which were temporarily closed as precautionary measures after heinous Pahalgam terror attack on tourists on 22nd April. Of these tourist spots and parks, eight are in Jammu Division and eight in Kashmir Division. Betab valley and Parks in Pahalgam Market, Verinag Garden, Kokernag Garden and Achabal Garden to be reopened from June 17.

The Lieutenant Governor said that the other tourist destinations being reopened includes Badamwari Park, Duck Park, Taqdeer Park in Srinagar, Sarthal, Dhaggar in Kathua, Devi Pindi, Siyad Baba, Sula Park in Reasi, Guldanda and Jai valley in Doda and Pancheri in Udhampur. Reopening will be in phase-wise manner, he



LG Manoj Sinha during visit to Nunwan Base Camp to review progress of Disaster Management Centre and Yatri Niwas on Saturday.

added.

He also met the delegation of Member of Legislative Assembly, DDC Chairpersons and Vice Chairpersons, tour and trav-

el operators, Ponywala association and hoteliers' associations at Pahalgam. He assured the delegation that restrictions on other tourist spots will be lifted after thor-

Meets family of Martyr Syed Adil Hussain, hands over appointment letter to his wife

ANANTNAG: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Saturday visited the family of Late Syed Adil Hussain Shah, at his native village in Haptnadh, Anantnag and handed over the appointment letter to his wife Gulnaz Akhter on compassionate ground.

Syed Adil Hussain, was among the 26 innocent civilians who were martyred by terrorists in Pahalgam.

The Lieutenant Governor paid homage to the martyr civilian and assured the family of concrete measures and continuous support so that they may live a life of dignity. "The whole country is proud of the bravery of Adil. The Government job to



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ough security assessment.

The Lieutenant Governor also observed that the forthcoming Amarnath Yatra will help in reviving tourism in Kashmir.

"I urge people to come forward and make the annual Shri Amarnath Ji pilgrimage successful. This Yatra is not just the responsibility

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Drug peddler's shops build on Govt land in Jammu demolished



■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Three shops belonging to a drug peddler and allegedly built on government land were demolished in a joint operation by police and civil administration in

Jammu on Saturday, police said.

The action against Mohd Sidiq alias Githa was taken under operation clean up after investigations

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Military civil liaison conference held in Jammu post Operation Sindoor

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: More than a month after the launch of Operation Sindoor, a two-day military civil liaison conference was held here to enhance synergy and deliberate on critical issues, including ongoing efforts to support the local population along the border areas, the Indian Army on Saturday said.

The conference, held on June 12 and 13 at Satwari cantonment, was among others attended by General Officer Commanding, Tiger Division, Maj Gen Mukesh Bhanwala, and Divisional



Senior Army and Admin officials during the meeting.

Commissioner, Jammu, Ramesh Kumar, said a defence spokesman.

"Operation Sindoor saw close coordination and integration between Tiger

Division, para military forces and civil administration to counter the nefarious design of the adversary. The conference was organised to further enhance this synergy," he

added.

Under Operation Sindoor, the Indian armed forces carried out missile strikes on terror infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) during the intervening night of May 6 and 7 in retaliation to the Pahalgam terror attack that left 26 persons, mostly tourists, dead on April 22.

The spokesman said that the high-level meeting brought together senior army officials and representatives from key government departments of Jammu division to discuss matters of

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Jammu youth commissioned as flying officer in IAF

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A youth from a remote village near the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu has been commissioned into the Indian Air Force (IAF), a defence spokesperson said.

The commissioning of Flying Officer Pranav Uppal, a native of Jammu's Chamb sector, marks the culmination of a remarkable journey defined by perseverance, discipline, and a deep commitment to serve the nation, the spokesperson said.

Coming from a humble background with no family history in the armed forces, he said flying officer

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DGP reviews Jammu base camp's security ahead of upcoming Amarnath Yatra

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Director General of Police (DGP) Nalin Prabhat visited the Bhagwati Nagar base camp here on Saturday and chaired a high-level security review meeting ahead of the annual Amarnath Yatra scheduled to commence early next month, officials said.

Senior officers of the CRPF, police and intelligence agencies also attended the meeting and briefed the DGP about the arrangements being put in place for the pilgrims' safety and security, they said.

The officials said that the DGP went around the facility before the meeting and also highlighted the synergy

between various wings of the police and security forces to ensure a smooth yatra.

The Yatri Niwas Bhagwati Nagar in the summer capital Jammu serves as the main base camp for the pilgrims coming from across the country before leaving for the Kashmir Valley to pay their obeisance at the 3,880 meter high holy cave shrine of Amarnath.

The 38-day-long yatra is scheduled to start from the twin routes -- the traditional 48-kilometre Pahalgam in Anantnag district and the 14-kilometre shorter but steeper Baltal route in Ganderbal district -- on July 3.

The first batch of pilgrims

will leave for Kashmir from Bhagwati Nagar a day before the start of the yatra.

The officials said that there was also discussion during the meeting regarding the security of the yatra convoys from the Jammu base camp to the valley.

Meanwhile, Deputy Inspector General (DIG), Udhampur-Reasi Range, Sarah Rizvi, convened a meeting with regard to preparation of security arrangements for the yatra as well as present security scenario in the region.

The DIG during the meeting emphasized the importance of coordinated efforts among all stakeholders

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will hold talks with President Christodoulides and address business leaders at Limassol, it said.

"The visit will reaffirm the



shared commitment of the two countries to deepen bilateral ties and strengthen India's engagement with the Mediterranean region and the European Union," the statement said.

In the second leg of his visit, Prime Minister Modi will travel to Kananaskis in Canada on June 16-17 to participate in the G7 Summit at the invitation of

Canada Prime Minister Mark Carney.

This would be the prime minister's sixth consecutive participation in the G7 Summit.

"At the Summit, the prime minister will exchange views with the leaders of G7 countries, other invited outreach countries and heads of international organisations on crucial global issues, including energy security, technology and innovation, particularly the AI-energy nexus and quantum-related issues," the MEA said.

The prime minister will also hold several bilaterals on the sidelines of the Summit.

The Group of Seven (G7) consists of seven of the world's advanced economies - Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the US, and the UK -- and the

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ACB traps HC for demanding, accepting bribe of Rs 15,000

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) on Saturday trapped a Head Constable of Police Station Kathua for demanding and accepting bribe of Rs 15,000.

"Jammu and Kashmir Anti Corruption Bureau received a complaint alleging therein that a public servant namely HC Roshan Din, No. 432/K of Police Station Kathua who is investigating the case FIR No. 193/2025 registered at Police Station Kathua demanded illegal gratification from the complainant on account of deleting/removing his name from the list of

accused persons in the said case, even though he provided CCTV footage/attendance in the factor on the date of occurrence in order to prove his innocence," an ACB official said.

"The accused had demanded a bribe of Rs 25,000 from the complainant for deleting his name from case FIR No. 193/2025 registered at Police Station Kathua. After negotiation, the accused agreed to take bribe amount of Rs 15,000 from the complainant," official said.

Since, the complainant didn't want to pay bribe and he approached Anti

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ACB produces Challan against Town Drainage Officials, Contractor for misappropriation of funds

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Anti Corruption Bureau (ACB) on Saturday produced a Challan against the officers/officials and contractor of Town Drainage Division for misappropriation of drainage funds in Jammu.

"ACB has produced Challan of case FIR No.03/2019 Police Station ACB Doda under section 5(1) (d) read with 5(2) J&K PC Act Svt. 2006, 120-B RPC before the Court of Special Judge, Anti-Corruption Doda against accused persons namely

Subash Chander, the then ABE Town Drainage Division Jammu, Kuldeep Kumar Koul, the then JE Town Drainage Division Jammu and Contractor Mansoor Ahmed, son of late Ghulam Hussain Bhat, resident of Ward No.3, Chinara Mohallah Thathri, District Doda." An official said.

The official said that the instant case was registered on the basis of a Joint Surprise Check (JSC) conducted by VOJ (Now ACB) into the allegations that the accused public servants by abuse and misuse of their official position and in league

with contractor allowed execution of poor quality, sub-standard and under specification work at Kutan Nallah Thathri, District Doda etc thereby causing a huge loss to the State exchequer.

During the course of investigation, official added, evidence collected oral as well as documentary, report of Engineering Wing of ACB Jammu and report of IIT Jammu, it has been established that the aforesaid accused persons while executing the construction work of Kutan Nallah, Thathri, District Doda in the

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Govt sets up high-level panel to examine causes of Ahmedabad plane crash: Naidu

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: A high-level panel has been set up to investigate the causes of the Ahmedabad plane crash and the investigation is progressing smoothly, the government said on Saturday.

The black box of Air India's Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner plane that crashed on Thursday was recovered from the site on Friday evening.

"Decoding of the black box is going to give in-depth insight into what happened moments before the plane crash," Civil Aviation Minister K Ramamohan Naidu said at a briefing in the national capital.

Air India's Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner aircraft, operat-



ing a flight from Ahmedabad to London Gatwick, crashed soon after the take-off on Thursday afternoon. Out of the 242 people on board the plane, only one person survived.

The minister said the country has very strict aviation safety standards and

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WEATHER

Temperature (Jammu)
Max: 41.0°C Min: 27.9°C

Humidity
Max: 50 Min: 25

Temperature (Srinagar)
Max: 30.3°C Min: 19.4°C

Humidity
Max: 76 Min: 29

Sunset : 19:39 Hours
Sunrise : 05:22 Hours