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## J&K, Sikkim sign tripartite agreement for training, extension activities for saffron, other temperate crops

Historic collaboration: LG J&K ■ Beginning of new partnership: Guv Sikkim



LG J&K Manoj Sinha and Ganga Prasad, Governor of Sikkim during tripartite agreement signing ceremony between J&K's Agriculture Department, Sikkim Government & Sikkim University at Srinagar on Tuesday.

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: In a historic move to further boost the growth of agriculture and horticulture sector, Agriculture Department of J&K UT, Sikkim Government and Sikkim University on Tuesday signed a tripartite agreement for collaboration on training, technology, capacity building and extension activities for

saffron and other temperate crops.

The agreement was signed in the presence of Lieutenant Governor of J&K, Manoj Sinha and Governor of Sikkim, Ganga Prasad at the Civil Secretariat.

Governor of Sikkim, Ganga Prasad, in his address, congratulated J&K's Agriculture Department, Sikkim Government and Sikkim

University for the beginning of a new partnership in agri-horticulture sector for both the regions.

This agreement will give a new direction to the efforts for saffron production in Sikkim, besides creating a better understanding of diverse aspects of saffron cultivation and other temperate crops, he added.

Lieutenant Governor,

Manoj Sinha said, the historic collaboration will strengthen "Ek Bharat, Shrestha Bharat" initiative of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Research and technical intervention will bridge the gaps in value addition and supply chain infrastructure and help in reducing high post-harvest loss, the

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## Unilateral attempts to change LAC won't be countenanced: Jaishankar

### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM: External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Tuesday took a strong position on the Sino-India border row and asserted any unilateral attempts to change the Line of Actual Control (LAC) will not be "countenanced" by India, and insisted that the ongoing problem was a fallout of the neighbour occupying strategic areas in 1962.

The Union minister's response came while answering a query seeking India's official position with regard

to former Congress chief Rahul Gandhi's tweet claiming there was "increasing Chinese infiltration" into



Indian territory.

He also said India was globally viewed as a compassionate nation, when asked if its image has changed to

intolerant.

"As to what has happened in the last two years, we have been very clear and very effective in ensuring that no attempt to change the status quo unilaterally on the Line of Actual Control will be countenanced by us," Jaishankar said at a "Meet the Press" event here.

He added efforts were on to resolve the boundary issues between the two countries through discussions involving their military commanders and

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### Minga Sherpa gets addl charge of Registrar Jammu

■ STATE TIMES NEWS  
JAMMU: The Government on Tuesday assigned additional charge of Registrar Jammu to IAS officer.

"Minga Sherpa, IAS (AGMUT:2017), Additional Deputy Commissioner, Jammu shall also hold the charge of the post of Registrar, District Jammu in addition to his own duties till further orders," reads an order issued by Manoj Kumar Dwivedi, Principal Secretary, General Administration Department.

### Three ARTOs transferred

■ STATE TIMES NEWS  
JAMMU: The government on Tuesday transferred three ARTOs/ I/c ARTOs. According to the order issued by Hirdesh Kumar, Commissioner/Secretary, Transport Department, Samrinder Singh, awaiting orders of adjustment

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**WEATHER**

**Temperature (Jammu)**

Max: 35.6°C Min: 26.9°C

**Humidity**

Max : 72 Min : 64

**Temperature (Srinagar)**

Max: 27.8°C Min: 18.7°C

**Humidity**

Max : 81 Min: 63

Sunset : 19:41 Hours

Sunrise : 05:34 Hours

### Stop religious conversion: RSS Chief

■ STATE TIMES NEWS  
CHITRADURGA (K'TAKA): Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh chief Mohan Bhagwat on Tuesday insisted upon stopping religious conversion saying that it separates individuals from their roots.

Bhagwat was addressing the seers of the Dalit and Backward Classes communities during an event organised at Sri Shivasharan Madarachannaiah Gurupetha in Chitradurga.

"Religious conversion leads to separatism. Conversion separates one from the roots. Hence, we should strive to stop religious conversion," the RSS Sarsangh Chalak was quoted as saying in a statement issued by the out-



fit.

"If we want India to remain as India, we have to be what we are (culturally) or else India will not remain India. Hence, we have to ensure that 'Dharma' should pervade all over," he added.

According to him, the problems dogging the Hindu society is untouchability and inequality, which exist

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## Online test for Govt recruitment to non-gazetted posts likely by year-end: Dr Jitendra

■ STATE TIMES NEWS  
BENGALURU: Union Minister of State for Personnel Jitendra Singh on Tuesday said the online test for recruitment to non-gazetted posts in the central government is likely to be conducted by this year end.

He said to begin with, the test will be conducted in 12 languages and gradually it will include all the 22 languages mentioned in the 8th Schedule of the Constitution, which will overcome the complaints of language bias coming from some southern states.

Singh was delivering the valedictory address at the two-day regional conference on governance in Bengaluru organised by the Department

of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG) and Karnataka government.

In his address, Singh said the hallmark of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's governance model is his capacity to take out-of-box decisions, break the taboos of the past and the capacity to convert government's campaign into mass campaign on the basis of his courage, conviction and sincerity.

The minister said the governance reforms introduced by the prime minister during the last eight years are actually social reforms aimed at achieving ease of living for the common man and a "level playing field" for the aspirational youth.

Referring to the theme of the conference -- 'Bringing citizens, entrepreneurs and government closer for good governance' -- Singh listed a series of such reforms having wider social implications, including abolition of attestation of certificates by gazetted officers and promoting self-attestation, thus reposing faith in the youth of India.

Similarly, Modi had suggested the abolition of interviews during Independence Day address from the ramparts of Red Fort on August 15, 2015 and the same was implemented by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) from January 1, 2016 that

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### Transgender Welfare Board set up in J&K

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Government on Tuesday constituted Transgender Welfare Board in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

"In terms of Clause 10 (1) of the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Rules, 2020, sanction is hereby accorded to constitution of Transgender Welfare Board for protection of rights and interests of transgender persons thereby facilitating their access to government schemes and welfare measures in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir," reads an order issued by Manoj Kumar

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### UP priests' body sends 5-member delegation from Delhi to J&K

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

MATHURA: A five-member delegation of the Akhil Bhartiya Teerth Purohit Mahasabha (ABTPM) from Delhi has left for Jammu and Kashmir to know about the condition of the teerth purohiths and Kashmiri Pandits, an official said.

ABTPM national president Mahesh Pathak Chaturvedi on Tuesday said that the Delhi delegation left on Monday, with more to follow from other states.

Chaturvedi said that they are in touch with the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir,

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### Advisor Bhatnagar nominated Chairman of BoD of JKHPMC Ltd

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Government on Tuesday nominated Lieutenant Governor's advisor Rajeev Rai Bhatnagar as chairman on the Board of Directors of J&K Horticulture Produce Marketing & Processing Corporation (JKHPMC) Limited.

"In supersession of all previous orders on the subject, sanction is accorded to the nomination of Advisor (B) to the Lieutenant Governor as Chairman of the Board of Directors of J&K Horticulture Produce Marketing & Processing Corporation (JKHPMC) Limited," reads an order issued by Manoj Kumar Dwivedi, Principal Secretary, General Administration Department.

The incident happened around 7:15 pm when the

## ASI martyred, 2 constables injured in Srinagar terror attack



Martyr ASI Mushtaq Ahmad

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: A police officer was martyred and two constables were injured when terrorists attacked a police team in the outskirts of the city on Tuesday, officials said.

The incident happened around 7:15 pm when the



ADGP Kashmir Vijay Kumar and family members of martyr ASI Mushtaq Ahmad carrying his coffin.

terrorists fired upon the police naka at the Lal Bazar area, the officials said.

They said Jammu and Kashmir Police Assistant Sub-Inspector Mushtaq Ahmad (56) was martyred

while constables Fayaz Ahmad and Abu Bakar were injured in the attack.

The injured constables have been rushed to a hospital where there

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## 17 JKAS officers transferred

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Government on Tuesday transferred 17 JKAS officers.

According to the order issued by Manoj Kumar Dwivedi, Principal Secretary, General Administration Department, Akhtar Hussain Qazi, JKAS, Deputy District Election Officer, Doda, has been transferred and posted as

Deputy Director Information in the office of Chief Electoral Officer, J&K; Mushtaq Ahmad Chowdhary, JKAS, Deputy District Election Officer, Jammu as Deputy Secretary, Department of Floriculture, Parks and Gardens; Babu Ram Tandon, JKAS, Deputy Director Information in the office of Chief Electoral Officer, J&K

as Deputy District Election Officer; Rajouri, vice Parveen Akhter who shall await further orders of adjustment in the General Administration Department.

Anshuman Singh, JKAS, Assistant Commissioner, Relief Organization (Migrants), Jammu has been transferred and posted as Deputy District

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### Govt enhances ex-gratia relief for local defence personnel

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The government accorded sanction to the enhancement of ex-gratia relief to the next-of-kin of defence force personnel, hailing from J&K, who attain martyrdom either in or outside J&K. "Sanction is accorded to enhancement of Ex-Gratia relief from

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