

Haryana Vidhan Sabha CoE delegation, others call on LG



Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha interacting with delegation of Committee on Estimates of Haryana Vidhan Sabha at Srinagar.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Delegation of Committee on Estimates (CoE) of Haryana Vidhan Sabha on Tuesday called on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha.

The members of the delegation led by its Chairperson Mohan Lal Badoli shared their insights on the all-round

rapid development going on in the UT of Jammu Kashmir with many new initiatives and schemes launched for the welfare of people.

Meanwhile, a delegation of Dal Dwellers Welfare Union also called on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha. The members of the delegation led

by its General Secretary Ghulam Rasool put forth various concerning issues of Dal Dwellers.

Faisal Mir, National Secretary Youth Wing, Rashtriya Lok Janshakti Party apprised the Lt Governor on various youth-related issues and other matters of public importance.

A delegation of volunteer based organization Kashmir Animal Welfare Foundation headed by Ms Nighat Lone briefed the Lt Governor on their endeavours towards creating a consolidated animal welfare and support system in the valley. Later, Gulzar Ahmad

Bhat, Chairman, All J&K Folk Artists Association also called on the Lt Governor and discussed promotion of folk culture of J&K.

The Lt Governor assured the members of the delegations that the issues projected by them will be looked into earnestly for early redressal.

CISF restores bag containing Rs1.59 lakh at Jhandewalan Metro Station



CISF personnel handing over bag containing Rs 1,59,000 in cash to a rightful owner at Jhandewalan Station.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
NEW DELHI: CISF personnel have restored a bag containing Rs 1,59,000 in cash to a rightful owner at Jhandewalan Metro Station, officials said on Tuesday.

on July 10 at around 9:53 PM, when a Central Industrial Security Force official noticed an unattended bag lying near south side of the customer care counter Jhandewalan Metro Station, they said.

Immediately, The security team of the force made necessary announcements, but no one came forward to claim the bag. Subsequently, the bag was checked from security point of view.

On opening the bag, cash amounting to Rs 1,59,000, one mobile phone, charger and two passports were found inside the bag. The

bag with cash and other items were deposited with the Station Controller and the announcement was made at the station/ nearby stations in this regard, a senior official said.

Later, two female passengers identified as Retu and Techar Dywi both Myanmar nationals came at the secu-

rity point and claimed the bag. After proper verification, the bag containing cash amounting to Rs 1,59,000 and other items were restored to them.

On getting their bag, they thanked CISF and appreciated the alertness & honesty displayed by CISF personnel.

LFO-BHF organises dental camp



LFO-BHF members with doctors and inmates of Balgran, Channi Rama at a camp.

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JAMMU: LFO-BHF organises a dental checkup at

HC quashes detention under PSA

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Justice Sanjay Dhar of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court Srinagar Wing quashed the detention under PSA of Abdul Hussain Ganaie.

While quashing the order No.48/DMA/PSA/DET/2021 dated 25.10.2021, issued by District Magistrate, Anantnag (for brevity "detaining authority"), Justice Sanjay Dhar after hearing both the sides observed that it is clear that non-consideration or an unreasonably belated consideration of the representation tantamounts to non-compliance of Article 22(5) of the Constitution, which in turn renders the detention unsustainable in law.

With these observations, the Court allowed the petition and the impugned order of detention order is quashed. The detenu is directed to be released from the preventive custody forthwith provided he is not required in connection with any other case.

Balgran, Channi Rama, Jammu to promote Oral health and prevent related diseases, under the guidance of Vivek Parihar Director & CEO of the organisation.

LFO-BHF organised this activity in collaboration with the Indira Gandhi Govt. Dental College, and with the

support of Kashish Gupta, CEO of Talla Jewellers in this camp 120 children living in the charitable home for destitute children were examined and made referrals to Dental College Ambphala where treatment was required. The aim of the initiative was to provide a basic

checkup of their teeth under the supervision of the dental team of Dr. Iqbal Singh (HOD) and Dr. Anu Gandral.

An awareness session was also conducted by Dr. Anu Gandral Shubam Kumar President Jammu Province said, LFO-BHF also distributed Tooth brushes and tooth paste among the children. Abhishek Raina Secretary Jammu Province presented vote of thanks.

Members of LFO-BHF who presented were Shubam Verma, Sachin Jandyal, Abhishek Gupta, Stuti Abrol, and others. The members of the dental college team who presented were: Dr. Anu Gandral, Dr. Aashna Mahajan, Dr. Insha Ilyar, Dr. Meghna Nagpal, Dr. Anish Dubey, Sandeep Sharma, and Anjali Raina.

18-year-old college student Sairaj Balaji launches Anonympin, a Social Media Application



■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Sairaj Balaji, an alumnus of Army Public School is an 18-year-old college student pursuing a degree in Computer Sciences Engineering from SRM Chennai, presently residing in Jammu. He has recently introduced a groundbreaking social media application called Anonympin. This innovative platform has quickly gained traction and popularity among Generation Z, as it allows users to drop Anonymous notes at specific geographical locations and engage in anonymous conversations.

A finalist in the prestigious Google Code to Learn competition 2019 he also had the privilege of taking part in NASA's CIS program 2020. He was awarded the prestigious DELLI and FUEL scholarships, recognizing his

outstanding contributions and potential as a young technologist and entrepreneur.

His paper was shortlisted and published in the highly prestigious Institute of Electrical and Electronics engineers (IEEE) international journal in May 23, a veritable acknowledgement of his expertise in the field of technology by the distinguished peer group. In addition to his individual accomplishments, Sairaj Balaji's

entrepreneurial journey includes the founding of Avtaar.Ai Private Limited, an AI avatar startup that has gained recognition and support from Microsoft for Startups. Avtaar. Ai has recently been valued at 2.4 million USD by Xartup Highlighting the significant growth and potential of the company.

Anonympin, Sairaj Balaji's latest creation, has captured the attention of Generation Z, and started a fresh buzz in providing a platform for anonymous note-sharing and conversations at a specific locations. By fostering a safe and judgment-free environment, Anonympin enables users to express themselves freely and engage in open dialogue and banter, revolutionizing the way individuals interact on social media platforms.

Lord's Mark launches microbiotech firm to pioneer genome testing in India

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
GOA: Lord's Mark Industries, a leading diversified business group, has launched a new wholly owned subsidiary - Lord's Mark Microbiotech - to champion Genome Testing in India with their first online lab.

The new subsidiary has been established as a part of celebrations to mark the successful completion of 25 years of excellence in business by Lord's Mark Industries.

With the launch of Lord's Mark Microbiotech, the company is also introducing saliva-based technology for genome testing through its brand MyDNA, which results 99% accuracy. The saliva-based test does not require

the extraction of blood or a phlebotomist. An individual can do it after reading the enclosed instructions in the kit at their home.

Lord's Mark Microbiotech will aim to make the products and technology for Genome Tests available to the common people nationwide through doctors and healthcare providers. Through the company's website, people can order Genome testing kits online which will be delivered within 48 hours and reverse pick up after the test is conducted.

Lord's Mark Industries also has its patented algorithm called SNAPPY for calculating the Polygenic Risk Score (PRS), which

estimates an individual's genetic risk (predisposition) for a trait or condition. PRS takes the sum (aggregate) of all known common variants to calculate an overall genetic risk for a particular disease.

Speaking on occasion, Sachidanand Upadhyay, Founder of Lord's Mark Industries, said, "Genome testing is an exciting new area with the potential to revolutionise healthcare in India.

In this context, it is a matter of great pride that the launch of this new subsidiary coincides with the completion of 25 years of excellence in business by Lord's Mark Industries. Lord's Mark Microbiotech will focus on preventive Genomic testing for early

detection, screening, and personalised interventions for diseases such as cancer, cardiovascular disorders, diabetes, or hereditary condition."

The new subsidiary will aim to offer accessible and affordable Genome Testing in 48 cities nationwide. The initial focus will be on metro and Tier 1 cities and then Tier 2 and Tier 3 towns in the next 3-4 years.

Using the cutting-edge technological expertise of Lord's Mark Industries over the last 25 years and advanced scientific research, genome testing will help people get precise health risk insights through in-depth analysis and study of their genetic conditions.

SLC- IT, Kalpavriksh begins 5-day Indus River Walk



Participants performing a street show at a programme in Leh.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
LEH: Snow Leopard Conservancy - India Trust (SLC- IT) and Kalpavriksh held the inaugural of a 5-day Indus River Walk on Tuesday at Upshi. Sonam Thardlos, Councillor, Igloo Constituency was the main guest at the inaugural. David Sonam, Trustee, Dr. Tsewang Namgail, Director, SLC-IT and Shrishtee Bajpai, member, Kalpavriksh also spoke on the occasion.

All emphasized the need to protect and rekindle people's connection with the river. Dr. Namgail talked about various native fishes such as Ladakh and Indus snow trouts and how they are threatened by exotic species such as rainbow and brown trouts.

He further stressed the problem of both dry and kitchen waste on fish populations. How kitchen waste lead to depletion of oxygen in

the water affecting both fishes and humans.

Bajpai spoke on the importance of giving rights to rivers as many countries such as New Zealand have done. On the occasion, artists from Ladakh Women Theatre Group performed a skit, which conveyed several ecological messages such as depleting of fish and water-bird populations due to pollution, climate change and invasive species.

They further portrayed the negative consequences of the over-harvesting of seabuckthorn; how it impacts bird populations, leading to crop infestation by insect pests.

The students from Moravian Mission School performed a skit, emphasizing the negative impact of plastic and other waste on aquatic creatures. Furthermore, graduate students partaking in the walk sang various folk songs related to seasons, climate and water in Ladakh.

In the end, Padma Shri Morup Namgyal enthralled the audience with several folk stories and songs on the Indus River.

In the afternoon, the participants along with villagers cleaned the banks of the Indus, and also performed a street show at Upshi market to raise awareness. The participants will be walking to Stakna on the 12th.

AM Hyundai Paloura launches SUV-Hyundai 'Exter'



Dignitaries launching sporty entry SUV-Hyundai 'Exter' at AM Hyundai Paloura, Jammu.

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: AM Hyundai Jammu Paloura, on Tuesday launched its sporty Entry SUV-Hyundai EXTER introductory prices ranging between Rs 5.99 lakh and Rs 9.31 lakh (ex-showroom).

Designed to redefine benchmark in its segment, Hyundai EXTER has been developed to reflect the tenets of unique exteriors, spacious interiors, advanced safety and technology and exceptional performance.

Hyundai EXTER personifies the qualities of India's Gen MZ customers who are fueled

by the adrenaline of wanderlust and exploration.

Unveiling of the car was done by various lifestyle and social media influencers in presence of Chairman AM Group Jatinder Gupta, Managing Director Sanjay Mahajan, Directors Ankur Mahajan and Akshay Mahajan at AM Hyundai's second State of the art Dealership at Paloura, Akhnour Road, here.

'Think outside. Think EXTER' the key communication that has been devised to showcase the unique symbolism of outdoors and travel.

Hyundai EXTER draws inspiration from the natural world and reflects an identity of an explorer and focused outside on the mind.

The model, which competes directly with Tata Motors Punch, comes powered by a 1.2-litre petrol engine mated with both manual and automatic variants.

The five-speed manual trims, which deliver fuel efficiency of 19.4 km per litre are priced between Rs 5.99 lakh and Rs 9.31 lakh. The five-speed automatic variant is tagged at Rs 7.96 lakh with a claimed fuel efficiency of 19.2 km per litre.

DGP takes stock of Jammu-Srinagar highway, reviews restoration work

■ STATE TIMES NEWS
BANIHAL: Director General of Jammu and Kashmir Police Dilbag Singh on Tuesday took stock of the progress of maintenance and restoration work along the strategic 270-km Jammu-Srinagar national highway.

Partial traffic, including vehicles carrying stranded Amaranth Yatra pilgrims, was allowed on the highway, which was opened after three days of closure following multiple landslides and washing away of road at two places in Ramban



DGP Dilbag Singh inspecting restoration work along the strategic 270-km Jammu-Srinagar national highway.

district. "The traffic on the highway was suspended on

floods. The National Highway authority of India (NHAI) has done a tremendous job in making the road trafficable in the shortest possible time," Singh told reporters at Seeri, where about 100 metres of road length was caved in on Sunday.

The DGP, who visited the problematic spots between Banihal and Ramban, said all stranded vehicles would be cleared by Tuesday and the normal traffic on the highway is expected to be restored on Wednesday.

"People are requested to go

through the traffic advisory before starting their journey on the highway," he said.

A police spokesman said the DGP inspected the restoration work of dilapidated roads at Lambar, Panthyal and Seri in Ramban. Project Director, NHAI, Parshotam Kumar briefed Singh about the progress of the ongoing maintenance work.

The DGP also visited the transit camps in Banihal to review the security arrangements and other facilities being provided to the pilgrims.

HC modifies conviction in rape case

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Justice Sanjay Dhar of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court Srinagar in an appeal filed against the conviction with 10 years imprisonment awarded by Trial Court in rape case, upheld the conviction of the appellants for the offences punishable under Section 366 and 376 of RPC, the order of sentence passed by the learned trial court is modified to the extent that the appellants in proof of the offence under Section 376 (2)(g) of RPC shall undergo rigorous imprisonment for a period of five years and pay a fine of Rs. 10,000/ each. In default of payment of fine, the appellants shall undergo a further imprisonment of similar description for a period of six months. In proof of offence under Section 366 RPC, the sentence awarded by the trial court is maintained. The period during which the appellants have remained in custody during

the investigation/trial of the case as also during the pendency of this appeal, shall be set off against the sentence of imprisonment imposed upon them. The appellants are directed to surrender before the trial court within fifteen days from the date of pronouncement of this judgment, failing which the learned trial court shall proceed in the matter in accordance with the provisions.

According to the prosecution case, after committing rape upon the prosecutrix, the appellants fled away and while the prosecutrix was returning to meet her mother who had stayed back in the shop, she met PWs 3 and 4 on her way. She is stated to have narrated the incident to these prosecution witnesses whereafter they took her to the shop at Handwara where her mother was waiting for her. The prosecutrix also narrated the incident to her mother. The report relating to the occurrence was lodged by the prosecutrix on 28th February, 1989 at

about 11.00 a.m. and FIR No.26 of 1989 for offences under Section 366/376 RPC was registered with Police Station, Handwara. After investigation of the case, offences under Section 366/376 RPC were found established against the appellants and the charge sheet was laid before the competent court and Court awarded conviction. The appellants have called into question judgment dated 22.11.2006, passed by Sessions Judge, Kupwara, whereby they have been convicted for offences under Section 366 and Section 376(2)(g) of RPC and sentenced to undergo rigorous imprisonment of ten years and a fine of Rs.3,000/ for having committed offence under Section 376(2)(g) of RPC and for rigorous imprisonment of two years for having committed offence under Section 366 RPC. In default of payment of fine, the appellants have been directed to undergo further imprisonment of six months.