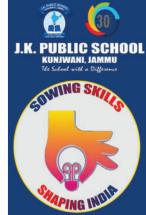


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NIA raids five places in Pulwama, Shopian in terror conspiracy case

SRINAGAR: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) carried out raids at five locations in Pulwama and districts Thursday in a terror conspiracy case, officials said.

"As part of its ongoing investigations in the Jammu and Kashmir terrorist conspiracy case, the NIA conducted another round of raids at the premises of hybrid terrorists and overground workers (OGWs) of the outfits and affiliates of Pakistan-backed banned terrorist organisations," an NIA spokesman said.

Some of these newly-floated including The Resistance Front (TRF) which is a shadow organisation of Lashkar-e-Taiba, have been found issuing threats of carrying out attacks in the Union territory through social media, the officials

The raids were conducted



Awantipora and Pulwama.

The NIA also raided the premises of sympathisers and cadres of the newly floated outfits, namely TRF, United Liberation Front and Kashmir Jammu (ULFJ&K), Mujahideen Gazwat-ul-Hind (MGH), Jammu and Kashmir Freedom Fighters (JKFF), Kashmir Tigers, PAAF and others. These outfits are affiliated to various banned Pakistan-backed organisations like Laskhar-e-Toiba

tinuous basis. Also known as hybrid ter-

(JeM), Hizb-ul-Mujahideen (HM),Al-Badr, Al-Qaeda,

The spokesman said several digital devices containing large volumes of incriminating data were recovered during the searches, which have once again put the spotlight on OGWs as an important part of the terror ecosystem in the Kashmir Valley, which is being dismantled on a con-

rorists, they provide support

based in Pakistan, he added. The NIA had registered a suo motu case 05/2022/NIA/JMU) on June 21, 2022, to investigate the involvement of the cadres and OGWs of the various outfits in spreading activities relating to terror, violence

These cadres and workers have been involved in the collection and distribution of bombs/magnetic bombs, improvised explosive devices (IEDs), funds, narsubstances arms/ammunition.

and subversion in J-K.

The NIA said its investigations have revealed that Pakistan-based operatives were using social media platforms to promote terror. Drones were being used by them to deliver arms/ammunition, explosives, narcotics, etc. to their operatives and cadres in the Kashmir Valley.

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16,061 pilgrims perform Darshan at Amarnath Shrine, fresh batch leaves for Valley

CRPF personnel deployed in large numbers to secure Yatra: DIG Avasthy



Jubilant pilgrims showing registration cards.

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR/ JAMMU: As 16061 pilgrims performed darshan at the holy cave shrine on Thursday, a fresh batch of over 9,200 pilgrims, the largest so far, left the base camp here in the early hours for the Amarnath shrine in south Kashmir Himalayas.

According to an official spokesperson, 16061 Shri Amarnathji Yatries visited the Holy Cave to perform darshan, taking total to 162569 pilgrims who paid

obeisance during this season till date.

Among the vatries who had opportunity to visit Holy Cave included 12701 males, 2945 females, 236 children, 176 Sadhus and 3 Sadvis.

The yatra is going on smoothly since its commencement on July 01, with pilgrims enjoying the general facilities ensured by the government.

While 6,035 pilgrims left in a convoy of 194 vehicles for Pahalgam, another convoy of 112 vehicles carrying 3,206

CS takes first hand appraisal of arrangements for Amarnath Yatra at Panjtarni via Baltal Axis

GANDERBAL: Chief Secretary Dr Arun Kumar Mehta on Thursday undertook an extensive visit of Baltal axis via Panjtarni till Holy Cave. He chaired a meeting of officers and made first hand appraisal of arrangements for yatries for ongoing Shri Amarnathji Yatra (SANJY), 2023

The meeting was attended by Nodal Officer SANJY (Baltal Axis), Raghav Langar; Deputy Commissioner Ganderbal, Shyambir; Deputy Commissioner Anatnag, Syed Hamid; SSP Ganderbal, Nikhil Borkar; Camp Director Baltal, ADC Ganderbal; CMO, SDM Kangan besides senior officers from various security agencies.

Chief Secretary took a brief about the arrangements from the officers put in place for yatries including sanitation measures, lodging, drinking water, tents and langar facility, health, security and other arrangements.

He urged the officers to work with synergy and make strenuous efforts to extend essential services and basic amenities at every destination to the pilgrims so that this religious pilgrimage is made memorable and life time experience for devotees. While reviewing the sanitation measures, Chief Secretary directed ACD Ganderbal to ensure that sanitation teams are sensitized regularly, especially those ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

pilgrims left for the Baltal base camp at 3.30 am. With this, a total of 65,544 pilgrims have left the Jammu

base camp for the valley since June 30. The 62-day annual pilgrimage to the

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Amarnath devotees throng booking counters as Tatkal registration resumes

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A day after Tatkal registration forAmarnath Yatra resumed here after suspension for three days, hundreds of people thronged the on-the-spot booking counters.

The Tatkal registration was resumed on Wednesday after the pilgrimage was suspended from Saturday to Monday due to inclement weather and the closure of the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway for repairs in the Ramban section.

Braving the hot and humid weather conditions, devotees including women are patiently waiting in long queues to

CUET-UG results to be announced by

July 17: UGC Chief

NEW DELHI: The results

for the CUET-UG will be

announced by July 17, UGC

Chairman Jagadesh Kumar

Earlier, the results were

expected to be announced by

The undergraduate admis-

sion process at over 200 uni-

versities across the country

will begin post the declara-

tion of the Common

University Entrance Test

will be announced latest by

July 17. When we announce

the results, it should be error

free. And look at the com-

plexity of administering the

CUET-UG -- 841 question papers were used, 214 in dif-

ferent languages, 534 in

English and Hindi and 93 in 11 regional languages as the medium. The total number

of questions in these papers

was 1.48 lakh," Kumar said.

He added, "Candidates

were allowed to challenge the

keys from June 29 to July 1.

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About 25,782 answer

"The CUET-UG results

(CUET)-UG results.

said on Thursday.

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get a registration token.

"We have been waiting in long queues since morning for the registration. We will first get a token and then have to get a health checkup done, only after which we can proceed with the registration process," Kapil Dev Pandey, a Maharashtra resident who came here for the pilgrimage, told PTI.

out that there should be more counters to attend to the huge number of people.

Over 1,500 unregistered pilgrims, including women, who have arrived in Jammu city, have been registered

Babli (Anita Sharma) directed not to cross Lakhanpur border

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Babli (Anita Court.

Pandey, however, pointed

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Sharma), the accused in FIR 48/23 for impersonation, cheating and fraud, has been directed not to leave the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir without the prior permission of the Babli (Anita Sharma) is

the main accused in FIR 48/23 registered against her by Jammu Crime Branch wing of Jammu and Kashmir Police (JKP) under sections 420, 120-B IPC for impersonation, cheating and fraud

"The bail is subject to conditions that Anita Sharma

(Babli) shall cooperate with bond of surety and a personthe Investigating Officer as and when directed. Anita

Sharma shall not leave the J&K UT without the prior permission of the court and she shall not influence any witness. She shall also not contact any witness conversant with the facts of the case so

as to dissuade him/her from disclosing the truth before the IO," the bail order states.

As per bail orders, Anita Sharma shall furnish bail al bond of Rs 50,000 each before the Investigating Officer (IO) of

> furnished. The sleuths investigating the case are keeping a close watch on her movement. Anita Sharma

Crime Branch.

which she has

(Babli), resident of 23 B/C Gandhi Nagar, wife of Shiv Kumar Sharma (Bunty), a known financer, fruit dealer and wine merchant, is currently on bail.

According to FIR 48/23, Anita Sharma alias Babli impersonated as the owner of House Number 84/110-A. Gandhi Nagar and tried to cheat Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) to get under process certificate which she used to befool municipal officers during construction of House Number 44 D/C Gandhi Nagar whenever officials of Municipal Corporation approached at the site. Anita Sharma used to tell to the concerned officials that she has applied for the

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Your Pradhan Sevak stands with you in every crisis: Chugh Hails PM Modi for granting Rs 7532 Cr to

states for disaster response **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Tarun Chugh,

National General Secretary BJP and the party's incharge for Jammu and Kashmir on Thursday hailed Prime Minister Narendra Modi for releasing Rs 7,532 crore to 22 state governments under the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) amid rain causing havoc in the northern parts of the country.

of Rs 7532 cr for fighting flood crisis in various parts of the country. Time for states to utilise funds judi-



"Welcome PM Modi's grant

the needy" Chugh tweeted adding that Your Pradhan Sevak stands with you in every crisis. For the 22 states facing natural calamities in the country, the

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9 Three non-local labourers shot at in Shopian

CJ visits Central Jail Srinagar, assesses quality of legal aid services for prisoners

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh and Patron-in-chief, J&K Legal Services Authority, Justice N. Kotiswar Singh on Thursday visited the Central Jail here to assess the conditions of the prisoners and the quality of legal aid services being provided to them.

The Chief Justice was accompanied by his Principal Secretary, M K Sharma and Member Secretary J & K Legal Services Authority, Amit Gupta. On arrival to Central Jail, the



Saina Nehwal pays obeisance at Amarnath

cave Shrine STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Ace shuttler Saina Nehwal undertook the Amarnath Yatra to pay obeisance at the holy cave shrine housing the naturallyformed ice-lingam of lord Shiva in south Kashmir Himalayas, officials said on Thursday.

The badminton player is currently staying at the picturesque tourist resort of Sonamarg, in central Kashmir's Ganderbal district, which falls on the way to the Baltal base camp of the yatra, they said. Nehwal, along with her mother Usha Nehwal, undertook

and criminals have to be

stopped, we have to think

and act by rising above the

"Although technology is a

positive development in

bringing human beings, com-

munities, and countries clos-

geographic

conventional

boundaries, he noted.

LG Manoj Sinha condemns terror attack STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Terrorists on Thursday shot at and injured three non-local labourers in Jammu and Kashmir's Shopian district, police said.

"Terrorists fired upon three outside labourers in Shopian. Injured persons are Anmol Kumar, Pintu Kumar Thakur and Heralal Yadav, all residents of Distt Supaul, Bihar, being shifted to hospital," Kashmir Zone Police said on Twitter

The area has been cordoned off and a hunt launched to nab the attack-

Sinha strongly condemned



the terror attack in Shopian in which three people have been injured. The Lt Governor said such

barbaric acts targeting

labourers highlight the desperation and cowardice of terrorists and their sympathisers. He has directed

Modi holds 'fruitful' meetings with French counterpart, Senate President;

discusses ways to bolster strategic ties

Elisabeth Borne in Paris on Thursday.

AGENCY

PARIS: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday began his visit to France with "fruitful" meetings with his counterpart Elisabeth Borne and Senate

ways to impart new impetus to India's multifaceted cooperation and time-tested strategic partnership with the key European nation. Modi, who landed here

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Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh Meanwhile, LG Manoj CONTD ON PAGE 9 Justice N. Kotiswar Singh during visit to Central Jail, Srinagar. ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9 G20 countries should join hands to meet challenges from

'dynamite to metaverse', 'Hawala to crypto currency': Amit Shah

GURUGRAM: Warning the global community about security challenges which have evolved from "dynamite to metaverse" and "hawala to crypto currency", Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Thursday asked G20 member countries to rise above conventional boundaries and share information on real time to check all crimes in the cyber space.

Speaking at the 'G20 Conference on Crime and Security in the Age of NFTs, AI & Metaverse', he underlined the threats emanating from cyber criminals using darknet, metaverse, deepfakes, ransomware and toolkit-based misinformation campaigns and strategic targeting of critical information



Without taking names

Shah said some anti-social elements and global forces are using technology to cause economic and social harm to citizens and governments. "The G20 has so far

focused on digital transfor-

mation and data flow from

stand the aspects of crime and security, and find a solution," he said. Shah said such activities are a national concern as

they directly impact national

security, law and order, and

the economy. If such crimes

an economic perspective, but now it is important to under-

er, there are also some antisocial elements and global forces that are using technology to cause economic and social harm to citizens and governments," he added. The home minister suggested a slew of measures to act

against cyber criminals operating across borders like bringing uniformity in laws of all countries, developing a response mechanism under different laws of the countries, harmonising bench marks, best practices and

regulations, and greater coordination among cyber agencies of all countries.

"An integrated and stable approach to cyber security policies will facilitate interoperability, increase trust in information sharing, and reduce the agency protocol and resources gaps. The need of the hour is to share 'realtime cyber threat intelligence' among member countries with active support from industry and academia to secure the nation's critical infrastructure," he said.

Cooperation in the investigation of cross-border cyber crimes through joint efforts to build a 'peaceful, secure, deterrent and open' information and communication technology environment

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PM Narendra Modi meeting PM of France, during which he discussed

President Gerard Larcher

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