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UT Admin, GoI...

Shia Community on the Muharram arrangements. The Lt Governor assured prompt and appropriate steps to address the issues and demands raised during the interaction. Deputy Commissioners briefed the meeting on the preparations and arrangements made in their respective districts for Muharram. Lt General Rajiv Ghai, GOC 15 Corps on Monday called on Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha.

Surge in infiltration...

the G20 conclave to be organised in Kashmir. That is why they increased the level of infiltrations into J&K," Gaur told PTI. Since the G20 event, there have been approximately 14 to 15 infiltration attempts along the LoC and the International Border (IB) in Jammu and Kashmir, as per statistics. The security forces have successfully neutralised 23 armed terrorists and intruders during this period. Additionally, seven suspects have been arrested and 16 weapons, along with ammunition and explosive materials, recovered, it showed.

Gyanvapi row: SC ...

the District Court was pronounced at 4.30 pm on 21 July 2023 and the survey is in the process of being carried out today, we are of the view that some breathing time' must be granted to the petitioners to move the High Court for pursuing their remedies.

"We direct that the impugned order of the District Court shall not be enforced until 5 pm on 26 July 2023. This shall not be construed as the expression of opinion on the merits," the bench comprising Chief Justice D Y Chandrachud and Justices J B Pardiwala and Manoj Misra ordered.

The top court said the mosque committee was at liberty to move the high court against the order of the District Judge, Varanasi.

Chronology of events...

Oct 14, 2022: Varanasi district court rejects plea for carbon dating of the Shivling.

Nov 10, 2022: SC agrees to set up a bench to hear the case.

May 12, 2023: Allahabad High Court orders determination of the age of the Shivling using modern technology.

May 19, 2023: SC defers scientific survey to determine the age of Shivling.

July 21, 2023: Varanasi district court directs the ASI to conduct the survey -- including excavations, wherever necessary -- to determine if the mosque was built at a place where a temple existed earlier.

July 24, 2023: SC halts ASI's survey at premises till 5 pm on July 26, asks HC to hear mosque panel's plea.

No proposal to...

circulation but gave public time till September 30 to either deposit such notes in accounts or exchange them at banks.

According to the RBI, as much as 76 per cent of the Rs 2,000 currency notes in circulation have either been deposited or exchanged at banks.

In value terms, Rs 2,000 notes in circulation have come down to Rs 84,000 crore as on June 30 from Rs 3.56 lakh crore on the day of the announcement of withdrawal on May 19.

Two dead as...

House Officer of Gangal police station Ajay Singh Chib said. He said the truck then fell into a ditch, resulting in the death of its driver Kuldeep Singh, a resident of Udhampur. The deceased pedestrian has been identified as Ajay Chohan, a resident of Jabalpur in Madhya Pradesh, the officer said.

He said police have registered a case and further investigation is on.

J&K leads country...

Panchayats. He made out that each office, school or college should hoist the National Flag on 15th of August besides taking special measures for the sanitation and upkeep of their premises.

He enjoined upon all the officers to take part in all the events themselves besides encouraging others for the same. He also advised the District Administration to monitor the performance of the Panchayats in their jurisdiction.

He asked the Forest Department to make arrangements for providing at least 75 plant saplings to each Panchayat for planting as part of these celebrations. He asked for taking measures for protection of all of such plantations through the institutions where these are planted. The Chief Secretary maintained that each celebration should be befitting in its grace and decorum befitting for the occasion involving the 'Panchayat Prabharis' in it. He advised that all the 'Veers' to be chosen for felicitation and remembrance by the Panchayats should be well-known having unquestionable contribution in nation building or sacrifice to protect it.

Giving the details, the Secretary Culture and Tourism, Dr Syed Abid Rasheed Shah listed out details of the activities envisaged to be carried out under the theme 'Meri MaatiMeraDesh- MittikoNamanVeeronkaVandan'.

He revealed that the celebrations are part of the culmination of more than a year long celebrations under AKAM which were started on 12th of March last year to commemorate the 75 years of India's Independence. He stated that on this year's Independence Day the country would pay homage to its motherland through different programs and events.

As part of the celebration of AKAM the UT has also developed 75 heritage sites, 75 tourist villages, organized 75 Sufi festivals, engaged over 1 million youth in various cultural and sports activities, hoisted over 15 lakh Tricolours covering more than 66% of households, created more than 5100 youth clubs with membership of around 1 lakh youth besides achieving dozens of other milestones.

J&K Bank's Q1...

the gradual but marked improvement in our operations, our core operating profit has jumped 38% YoY while witnessing 17% rise on QoQ basis. With NIM at almost 4% along with 24% YoY increase in Net Interest Income, I see promising top-line growth unfolding in coming quarters."

"For the last six quarters we have continued to strengthen and stabilize key operational parameters. The idea is to keep strengthening the core to ensure continuous and sustainable growth going forward", he added.

The bank's gross non-performing assets (GNPA) have reduced to 5.77% YoY as against 9.09 % recorded last year. In sequential terms GNPA has declined by 27 bps from 6.04% recorded in March quarter of last FY. The net NPA for the Q1 also improved to 1.39% as against 3.02% registered in Q1 of last financial year and 1.62% recorded in March quarter of FY 2023.

NPA Coverage Ratio for Q1 improved to 87.55% when compared to 81.21% recorded last year and 86.20% as on March 31, 2023.

Regarding asset quality, the MD & CEO said, "The trend in asset quality continues to be very encouraging. With vigorous recovery pursuits and expected resolution of good number of accounts, we are well on course to achieve the asset-quality as per our guidance which is to contain our GNPA figure between 4 and 4.5% by the end of current fiscal."

On NPA slippages, MD & CEO said that the slippages have been addressed to a great extent with the slippage ratio being below 1.5% (annualized). "We are also aiming at an NPA Coverage Ratio of around 90% in coming quarters", he added.

Advances of the bank grew over 17% YoY and stood at Rs 84475.63 Cr when compared to Rs 71926.56 Cr in the corresponding quarter a year ago. The deposits increased by 8% to Rs 121297. 49 Cr as against Rs 112145.18 Cr recorded last year.

However, YoY growth of advances and deposits' portfolios in the UT of J&K is at 11% and 8% respectively, while as in Rest of India, Deposits have increased by 11% and Advances grown by 26%. During the quarter, the Bank's CASA Ratio remains well above 53%. Commenting upon the business numbers, MD & CEO said, "Increase in advances is quite healthy at over 17% YoY and with strategies in place we will maintain the growth momentum." "However, on liability side there is slight de-growth on QoQ basis. Although this has been trend with J&K Bank due to the movement of Govt. funds which usually peak during March quarter but we have initiated aggressive deposit campaigns for mobilization of CASA with digital on-boarding of new-to-business customers. And a good number of accounts have already been opened which shall, over-time, accumulate sizable balances", MD said. The bank's Capital Adequacy Ratio stood at 14.83% as against 13.02% recorded last year. Elaborating upon capital position, the MD & CEO said, "After achieving the target of 15% CRAR during the last year, we are looking at a capital adequacy ratio of about 16% by the end of this fiscal. Even though we expect major accretions from internal accruals but plans are in place to raise capital from the market, if required."

Pertinently, the Bank has an enabling board approval for raising of capital towards the end of current fiscal (Q3/Q4).

DPAP Govt will...

people of Jammu and Kashmir as recently the party through protests all over in two months was able to get curtailed ration quota back and previously the administration after our demonstrations also stopped forced land eviction," he said. Emphasising on unity among all in J&K, Azad underscored the need for electing people with clean image and track record as different political parties hardly match their word when they come to power. "The people of Jammu and Kashmir have been suffering for decades now due to militancy and misgovernance and the need of the hour is total development which would be possible only once clean and unbiased representatives are elected," Azad argued. Earlier, the chairman DPAP was received by masses from all walks of life as slogan raising supporters welcomed Azad in Gurez. Among DPAP leadership who addressed the massive gathering include Mohd Amin Bhatt Provincial President, Shafiq Shabnam Provincial General Secretary and DPAP senior leader Nisar Ahmed Lone and others.

Prof Rahul Gupta ...

Education. Prof. Gupta started career as Lecturer in JK Government Higher Education in 1992 and has served at JU in different capacities like Dean, Faculty of Mathematical Sciences, JU, former Head, PG Department of Statistics, JU, former Chief Librarian, Dhanvantri Central Library, JU.

He also organised 15 Faculty Improvement Programmes (General Orientation Programmes, Refresher Courses, Interdisciplinary RCs, workshops on Research Methodology, MOOC and E Content for Faculty/Scholars of Higher Education Institutes) of UGC/Under RUSA in the year 2019-20.

He also organised 12 benchmark lectures of Internationally Recognised Scholars/Scientists under Benchmark series aimed at Capacity Building of JU under RUSA Phase 2.0 in 2018-20. Besides this, Prof. Rahul organised 14 Faculty Improvement Programmes (General Orientation Programmes, Refresher Courses, Interdisciplinary RC's, Workshops on Research Methodology, MOOC and E Content for Faculty/Scholars of Higher Education Institutes) of UGC/Under RUSA in the year 2020-21 Prof Rahul attended about 40 International/National Conferences in India and six in Foreign Countries for delivering Invited Talks/Paper Presentation/Session Chair , UGC Member of DRS-SAP Advisory committee for University of Kolhapur, Maharashtra and University of Kolkatta, West Bengal. He has remained member of University Council, University Syndicate, University Academic Council, Board of Research Studies, Board of Studies and various committees of the University of Jammu, University of Kashmir, Ch. Charan Singh University, Meerut, and Kurukshetra University, Member Advisory Committee of JK Board of Professional Entrance Examination and UGC-HRDC, University of Kashmir.

CRIME REPORT

8 vehicles involved in illegal mining seized

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: In a quest to stern the menace of illegal mining, a multi-pronged strategy was devised by Jammu Police in which police teams of Police Stations Nagrota, Arnia, Akhnoor, Police Posts Residency, Talab Tillo and Border Police Post Gajansoo acted stringently on the specific inputs and raided at a location in their respective area and seized 08 vehicles involved in illegal mining.

The seized vehicles include 3 vehicles i.e Two Tractor Trollies bearing Chassis No.s 16801and 46753, One JCB bearing Registration No JK02CP-7213, seized by Nagrota Police; one tipper bearing registration no jk02an 9586, by Akhnoor Police; One Tractor Trolley bearing Registration No JK02CV-8458 by Arnia Police; One tipper without Registration No, by Residency Police; One tractor bearing Registration No JK02BE 0789, by Talab Tillo Police and One Tractor Trolley bearing Registration No JK02CW-1108, by Gajansoo police.

The recoveries were made by SHO Nagrota Inspr Vishav Partap Singh, SHO Arnia Inspr Deepak Katoch, SHO Akhnoor Inspr Zaheer Mushtaq, In-Charge Police Posts Residency-PSI Darshan Singh, Talab Tillo-PSI Sonu Choudhary and In-Charge Border Police Post Gajansoo ASI Ravinder Bushan in their respective jurisdictions.

Woman drug peddler among 2 nabbed with 1.3 Kg Ganja

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU/REASI: Continuing its drive against drug trafficking and substance abuse, Police on Monday arrested two drug peddlers including a woman and recovered 1.3 Kg of Ganja from her .

As per details, a team of Police Post Sarwal led by SDPO West Vikram Singh assisted by SHO Bakshi Nagar Inspr. Rakesh Sharma and In-Charge Police Post Sarwal PSI Baljeet Singh Parihar while on patrolling duty rounded up a suspected woman. On search, 01 kg of ganja was recovered from her.

The accused woman identified as Amrit Bai, son of Parshotam Ratre, resident of Chattisgarh at present Near Mast Ram Ashram Patoli Jammu was arrested and cognizance has been taken at Police Station Bakshi Nagar.

Meanwhile, a team of Police Station Katra were on checking/frisking duty at Nangal Road, Katra. During checking, one person who was coming on foot from Nangal side towards Katra town, upon seeing police tries to fled away from the spot but was apprehended by Police Party. During checking, 300 grams of Ganja like substance was recovered from his possession who later disclosed his name as Gulzar Ahmed, son of Satar Mohd, resident of Sudhmahadev, Chenani at present Katra. Further investigation in the case is under process to unearth forward and backward linkage, to nab whole gang involved in this trade.

FIR No 234/2023 under section 8/20 NDPS Act was registered at Police Station Katra and investigation is going on. The whole operation is led by SHO Katra Insp. Nishant Gupta.

Theft case solved, stolen motorcycles recovered, lifter arrested

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Police on Monday solved a theft case solved by recovering 3 stolen motorcycles and arrested the lifter.

As per details, an information was received at Police Station Peermitha regarding theft of the bike from the area. On this, a team of Police Station Peermitha led by SDPO North Sunil Kumar Kesar assisted by SHO Peermitha Inspr Mohd Rashid with the help of CCTV of the area rounded up the suspected person namely Saraj Udin alias Shonku, son of Noor Ali, resident of Mangu Chak Satwari Jammu. During questioning accused confessed his involvement in the above case and on his disclosure 3 stolen motorcycles were recovered from his possession.

The recovered vehicles include Royal Enfield Black Colour ENG.NO U3K5C1KA916367, CHASIS.NO. ME3U3K5C1KA888522; Royal Enfield Classic Grey Colour, ENG.NO.U3S5C1JG800747, CHASIS.NO. ME3U3S5C1JG775981 and Pulsar 220 Black Colour, ENG.NO. DKXCMF18693CHASIS.

Accused was arrested and FIR No. 21/2023 under section 379 IPC was registered against him at Police Station Peermitha.

Missing person traced, reunited with family

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Police on Monday traced a missing person and reunited him with his family.

As per details, a written complaint was lodged at Police Post Hari Market by legal heirs of a missing person namely Sahil Handa, son of Late Lalit Handa stating that he went missing from his home. In this regard missing report on July 17, 2023 was registered and investigation started. After this, a team of Police Post Hari Market led by SDPO North Sunil Kumar Kesar assisted by SHO City SI Mohinder Singh and In-Charge Police Post Hari Market PSI Vijay Kumar did strenuous efforts and finally traced the missing person.

Subsequently family of the missing person was informed and he was handed over to his family after completing all the legal formalities.

Two cops including SI 'violently and brutally' assaulted; 8 culprits identified, manhunt on to nab them

STATE TIMES NEWS

LEH: Two policemen, including a sub-inspector of Ladakh Police, suffered serious injuries after they were "violently and brutally" assaulted by a group of miscreants, a senior officer said here on Monday.

Senior Superintendent of Police (Leh) PD Nitya said an FIR has been registered under relevant sections, including attempt to murder, against eight absconding accused and special teams have been set up to arrest them.

On the intervening night of 23rd July and 24th July 2023 at around 0000-0100hrs, ERSS 112 received a call where the caller stated that a fight has happened between some persons at the KC restaurant at Changspa road and immediate police help was needed. Taking cognizance of the call, two police personnel SI Mohd Jani and HC Ghulam Rasool of PS Leh were deputed to the spot to look into the matter. When they reached the spot, it was found that one person namely Jigmat Dorjey R/O Saboo was beaten by one Stanzin Nyangtak s/o Sonam Angduk r/o Rumbak A/P Skalzangling over some matter. When the police party intervened and warned him not to fight and started recording the incident, the group of 8-10 boys led by Stanzin Nyangtak attacked the two police men with stones and sticks causing them grevious injuries and damaged the police vehicle.

SSP Leh P.D. Nitya informed this at a press conference on Monday.

SI Mohd Jani received injuries on right hand and head, while HC Ghulam Rasool received injuries on face and head. While the former is being treated at SNM hospital, the later has been referred to SKIMS Soura for further treatment. All possible assistance including financial, attendant support, and best medical treatment is being given to the brave police officers who sustained injuries while discharging their duties.

"Cognizance of the barbaric act has been taken and FIR No. 123/23 u/s 307, 353, 332, 336, 147, 148, 427 IPC has been registered in PS Leh and investigation taken up. During the investigation it was found till now 08 persons have been identified as the culprits who participated in the attack on police officers. The accused were identified as Stanzin Nyangtak, son of Sonam Angduk, resident of Rumbak at present Skalzangling; Tashi Angdu, son of Stanzin Tharva, resident of Tyager, Nubra at present Skampari; Stanzin Sangdup, son of Sonam Angdu, resident of Skidmang at present Chubi; Stanzin Chospel, son of Tsering Tundup, resident of Nang; Stanzin Otsal, son of Konchok Sangdup, resident of Basgo at present Skalzangling; Kunkhep Dorje, son of Tsering Pakto, resident of Khalsi A/P Skara Yokma; Rinchen Spalzang, son of Sonam Tashi, resident of Stok and Stanzin Spalbar, son of Stanzin Nurboo, resident of Zanskar at present Skara Yokma," an official press release from District Police Leh stated. All the accused persons are on run and efforts are on to nab them, there is a possibility that more persons may be involved in the crime. Ladakh police has constituted various teams which have been dispatched in all the probable locations where the accused persons may have taken shelter. It has been learnt that the accused persons are using the silver color I10 with no. JK 10A 1385. Ladakh police appeals general public to share any information on the whereabouts of the accused persons on run, any person giving them shelter after being aware of the facts shall also be liable for punishment as per law. Strict action as per law shall be taken against the culprits who have brutally assaulted the policemen on duty.

Notorious heroin supplier 'Farman' among 3 arrested, heroin recovered

STATE TIMES NEWS

SAMBA/KATHUA: Samba Police on Monday arrested notorious heroin supplier "Farman" and recovered heroin worth rupees 25000.00 approximately from his possession.

The arrested heroin supplier has been identified as Farman Ali, son of Bashir Ahmed, resident of Rakh Barotian, Vijaypur Tehsil Vijaypur district Samba.

Heroin supplier Farman used to operate in Samba district particularly in the jurisdiction of Police Station Samba, Vijaypur and Ramgarhby frequently changing his identity, hideouts and modus-operandi& mostly used to supply heroin to the other small suppliers and individual addicts in the open fields so as to escape in the event of police raid. However, police party while performing patrolling duties succeeded in nabbing him red-handed, arrested him and recovered heroin from his possession.

A case FIR No. 183/2023 u/s 8/21/22/27-A/29 NDPS Act has been registered at Police Station Samba through Police Post Supwal and investigation is underway. The arrest has been made by the police team comprising of DySPGaru Ram, ASI Ganesh Dass and HC MohdSaif. Kathua Police also recovered/seized approx. 9.25 Grams of Heroin (chitta) like narcotics near DPS Rajbagh from a drug peddler. An information received at Police Station Rajbagh that one person namely Talib Hussain alias Taalu, son of Alaf Din, resident of Karandi near DPS Rajbagh is indulged in illegal smuggling/selling of heroin like contraband and is selling drugs to the youth at Peer Baba near DPS Chowk Rajbagh. Acting swiftly a police team headed by Inspector Tariq Ahmed SHO Police Station Rajbagh assisted by PSI Faizal conducted a raid in presence of Executive Magistrate near DPS Rajbagh at Peer Baba and arrested said drug peddler namely Talib Hussain with 9.24 grams Heroin (chitta) like narcotics. FIR No. 192/2023 under section 8/21/22/ NDPS Act was registered at Police Station Rajbagh.

Meawnhile, a Police team of Police Post Nagri led by PSI Rahul Prashar In-Charge Police Post Nagri Parole during naka/ checking at Chak Drab Khan near Tube Well area apprehended one suspicious person namely Rajeev Gupta, son of Shiv kumar Gupta, resident of Ward No. 08 Tehsil and District Kathua who was doing the illegal trade of selling Heroin like contraband substance and roaming under suspicious circumstances. While frisking approx. 5.87 grams of Heroin(Chitta) like narcotics was recovered which he had kept in his possession in order to sell the same to the youth of the Kullian, Chak Drab khan Kathua area for wrongfull gain. Thereafter all the recovered narcotics approx. 5.87 grams of Heroin were seized and he was arrested on spot. FIR No. 319/2023 U/S 8/21/22/ NDPS Act has been registered at Police Station Kathua.

3 gamblers arrested, stake money seized

STATE TIMES NEWS

BARAMULLA: Acting tough against the social crimes, police on Monday arrested 3 gamblers in Baramulla and seized stake money from their possession. Acting on specific information regarding gambling activities at Hajibal Baramulla, a police party led by SHO Police Station Baramulla raided the specific spot and arrested three gamblers on spot, who tried to flee but were apprehended tactfully. They have been identified as Reyaz Ahmad Ahanger son of Mohammad Rajab resident of Drangbal Baramulla, Nazir Ahmad Gojree son of Sonaullah Gojree resident of Gulnar Park Azadgunj & Shakeel Ahmad Gojree son of Gh Mohammad resident of Jamia Mohalla. Officers have seized stake money of ?7950/- and playing cards from their possession. They have been shifted to police station where they remain in custody.

Accordingly, a case under relevant sections of law has been registered at Police Station Baramulla and investigation has been initiated.

2 pickpockets arrested, stolen cash recovered

STATE TIMES NEWS

BARAMULLA: Police on Monday arrested 02 pickpockets including a lady at GMC Baramulla and recovered stolen cash from their possession. As per details, a police party led by SHO Police Station Baramulla arrested two pick-pockets including a lady at GMC Baramulla and recovered stolen cash from their possession. They have been identified as Ishfaq Ahmad Gojree son of Bashir Ahmad Gojree resident of Drangbal and a lady resident of New Plot Jammu A/P Drangbal Baramulla. During investigation, it came to surface that they were stealing money from patients & their attendants visiting GMC and were taking advantage of huge flow of patients to GMC Baramulla. Accordingly, a case under relevant sections of law has been registered in Police Station Baramulla and investigation has been initiated.

Police reunites elderly missing man with his family

STATE TIMES NEWS

POONCH: Police on Monday reunited an elderly missing man with his family within hours of missing.

As per details, police has traced one elderly missing person namely Wali Mohd, son of Akbar Din, resident of Village Jhulass Tehsil Haveli District Poonch Age about 65 years within hours of missing and reunited him with his family.

As per details, On July 24, 2023 ,the family of missing person lodged written complaint at Police Post Jhulass about his missing. Soon after this DySP Hqrs Poonch Afrat Hussain under the supervision of Additional SP Poonch Mushim Ahmed and overall supervision of SSP Poonch Sh Vinay Sharma constituted a team led by SHO Poonch Insp. Javid Manhas assisted by PSI Arun Sharma and Others to trace the missing Person . The team swung into action and with the help of technical assistance collected the leads and started the search for missing Person in Rajouri. After hectic efforts, Police traced him from Rajouri. Finally missing Person has been Reunited with his family.

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