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Air surcharge 50 paisa for Leh JK Public School Kunjwani shines at 25th

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10 Dr Jitendra addresses Patna congregation, refers to India's 76,000 women-led StartUps

With BCCI's CoE Prog nod Yudhvir inches closer to Team India selection

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Termination of IWT befitting response to Pak, will ensure immense benefit to J&K: LG

Properties of terror victims encroached by terrorists or terror sympathizers will be vacated in August

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LG Manoj Sinha speaking after launching monograph 'Indus Water Treaty Mirroring the facts' authored by Sant Kumar Sharma in Jammu on Saturday.

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha launched a monograph 'Indus Water Treaty-Mirroring the Facts' authored by Shri Sant Kumar Sharma, at Jammu on Saturday.

In his address, the Lieutenant Governor congratulated the author on his remarkable work to bring out various historical aspects of 'Indus Water

He said the thoughtful and timely

monograph offers interesting insights on 'Indus Water Treaty' with Pakistan and Prime Minister Narendra Modi's decisive move to terminate the treaty post Pakistan Sponsored Pahalgam

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Says, India has made it clear that blood and water cannot flow together, terror and talk cannot go together and terror and trade cannot happen together

India will now create infrastructure, power plants and diversion to new areas with proper infrastructure to use our water for the benefit of our citizens

Over 6,000 pilgrims embark on Shri Amarnathji

Yatra from Jammu **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: A fresh batch of 6,365 pilgrims, including 1,499 women and 441 children, left the Bhagwati Nagar base camp here on Saturday to join the ongoing annual Amarnath Yatra in south Kashmir Himalayas, officials said.

The pilgrims, which included 135 sadhus and sadhvis. left for the twin base

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Drug peddler detained under PITNDPS

STATE TIMES NEWS

RAJOURI: A drug peddler was on Saturday detained the stringent Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (PITNDPS) Act in Rajouri district, police said.

The drug peddler, identified as Sahil Sharma alias "Sahu", is a resident of Dandesar village Nowshera and is a notorious drug peddler involved

Congress doing negative politics: Amit Shah

DEHRADUN/RUDRA-PUR: Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Saturday accused the Congress of doing negative politics at a time Uttarakhand is pro-

gressing on the path of development and advised the party to desist from the habit if it wished to survive.

Shah listed achievements of BJP-led governments at the centre and in the state as he slammed a social media post by a Congress leader earlier in the day asking the Union Minister not to return without telling the people what the BJP government had

done for the state. "Congress is always doing negative politics, especially when development is taking place in Uttarakhand. It is like somebody squeezing lemon into milk so that it goes sour," the Union Minister said addressing the

Investment Festival event held at Rudrapur in Udham Singh Nagar district.

Investment MoUs worth Rs

3.5 lakh crore had been

signed at the global investors

summit held in Dehradun in

December 2023. The event

on Saturday marked the

start of the implementation

of works worth more than Rs

one lakh crore from among

Replying to the remarks by

the Congress leader whom he

did not name, Shah said in

ten years between 2004 and

2014, the Congress govern-

ment gave Rs 53,000 crore to

Uttarakhand while the

Narendra Modi government

these MoUs.

thousand crore to the state in ten years from 2014-2024 which is 3.5 times more than the amount given

gave Rs one lakh eighty six

by the Congress government. Apart from that, the Modi government gave Rs

31,000 crore to the

state for roads, Rs

40,000 crore for railway tracks and Rs 100 crore for airports. If all of this is put together, the BJP government gave over 4.25 times more than what was given to

the state by the Congress government. "It is the collective responsibility of all political parties to rise above their differences and stand unitedly in support of development. But Congress continues to do negative politics," Shah said and advised the Congress to stop putting hurdles on the

path of progress.

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Handmade products exports from Kashmir cross Rs 300 Cr-mark in April-June quarter

Handloom

Kashmir, said.

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Exports of handmade products from Kashmir have crossed the Rs 300 crore mark in the first quarter of the current financial year, which is the highest for the period in the last four years, an official said on Saturday

"In a major fillip to Kashmir's famed craft sector, hand-made products worth Rs 309.62 crore have been exported to various overseas destinations in the first quarter of the current financial year -- up from ${\rm Rs}$ 126.90 crore in the same quarter last year," an official of the Handicrafts and

Budha Amarnath Yatra India won't bow down, world standing with us: Chugh to begin on July 28

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Senior officials of the Jammu and Kashmir government have reviewed the arrangements for the smooth conduct of the upcoming 13-day Budha Amarnath pilgrimage in Poonch district. Deputy Inspector General

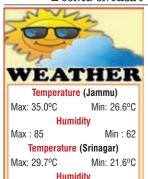
of Police Tejinder Singh reviewed security in Poonch and emphasised the importance of ensuring the safety of devotees. "The first batch will depart

from the Bhagwati Nagar basecamp in Jammu on July 28, moving towards the Mandi tehsil in Poonch in a regulated convoy amid full security arrangements," a spokesperson said. Jammu Divisional

Commissioner Ramesh Inspector Kumar and General of Police (IGP) Bhim Sen Tuti reviewed the arrangements

Kumar directed officials to establish a help desk and registration counter at Bhagwati Nagar and Jammu Railway Station to facilitate the pilgrims.

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DGP reviews security situation in Valley amid Shri Amarnathji Yatra

STATE TIMES NEWS

Welcomes US decision of designating TRF as terrorist organization

sovereignty and peace.

"This move by the U.S.

exposes the Pakistan-backed

terror ecosystem and vindi-

cates India's long-standing

stand that groups like TRF

are merely front organiza-

tions for Lashkar-e-Taiba

The exports are the highest SRINAGAR: Jammu and for Q1 in the last four years, Kashmir Director General of the official said. Police Nalin Prabhat on The Department is target-Saturday reviewed the secuing craft exports of over Rs rity scenario in the Valley 1,500 crore during the curamidst the ongoing annual rent financial year, provided Amarnath Yatra. global conflicts relent. Prabhat conducted a

"Higher exports of craft hybrid S security review with products to overseas destinaall formations of the Police, Army, Border Security Force tions secure the welfare of Kashmir's famed artisans (BSF), Central Reserve (CRPF), and weavers," the official Force Police Sashastra Seema Bal, Indo-Last year, craft products Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), Central Industrial worth Rs 733.59 crore were exported, largely affected Security Force and other due to various global agencies, a police spokesper-■ CONTD ON PAGE 9



DGP Nalin Prabhat chairing a meeting at Srinagar.

He said General Officer Commanding of the Army's 15 Corps Lt Gen Prashant Srivastava and senior officers of the Police, Criminal Investigation Department,

and other Pakistan-spon-

sored terror outfits," he

Modi's clear and uncompro-

mising stance on terrorism.

and his ability to rally global

powers to act decisively.

Whether it is isolating terror

sponsors at global forums or

pushing for international

accountability, Modi's foreign

policy has delivered where

others only made state-

He also pointed out that

while the opposition parties

continue to politicize India's

national security issues,

global powers like the

ments," Chugh remarked.

"This is the result of PM

added.

CRPE BSE CRPE ITBP. Traffic and Railway Police participated in the deliberations, which focused primarily on the ongoing Amarnath

STATE TIMES NEWS

KISHTWAR: A 35-year-old woman was killed after being hit by a bullet from the weapon of a Village Defence Guard in a remote village in Kishtwar district, officials on Saturday said.

Woman dies of bullet injury

Pushpa Devi, the wife of Rakesh Kumar, ventured out of her house in Aragam village in Chatroo area when she was hit by a bullet from the gun of Village Defence Guard (VDG) Sandeep Kumar late Friday, they said. The officials said that the

woman died on the spot. A case has been registered and the accused has been taken into custody, they

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At the outset, the participating officers briefed the chair about the overall security challenges across the Union Territory, spokesperson said. He said a detailed assess-

ment was carried out on the current security scenario and the coordinated efforts of various forces to ensure peace in the Union Territory. The DGP besides reviewing multi-tiered

arrangements, emphasised the seamless coordination among all agencies. Prabhat also deliberated on the

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CIK detains 10 people in terror-linked case by the CIK officers in a two-

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: The counterintelligence wing of Jammu and Kashmir Police has detained 10 people for allegedly using encrypted messaging applications for coordinating, financing and executing terror activities on the instructions of handlers from Pakistan, officials on Saturday said.

The detentions were carried out during searches conducted by the Counter-Intelligence Kashmir (CIK) at multiple locations in the valley, they said.

The officials said that searches were conducted at

registered under various sections of the ULA(P) Act read with Section 120-B of the Suspicious technical signatures were traced at 10 locations falling in Budgam,

Pulwama, Ganderbal and

Srinagar

year-old terror-linked case

Kashmir during the investigation of the case, they said. The officials said that the the suspects were found using suspected encrypted

messaging applications. During further analysis

various suspects were found using a 'specific

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districts of

J&K Bank organises Roz-e-YUVA/Udyami YUVA Day across J&K

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Carrying forward the J&K Government's flagship initiative Mission YUVA (MY) aimed at empowering local youth through entrepreneurship and self-employment, J&K Bank on Saturday organised multiple Login Day events titled as 'Roz-e-YUVA' in Kashmir and 'Udvami YUVA Day' in Jammu across various districts of the UT.

Held simultaneously at a number of designated venues, hundreds of young entrepreneurs were handed over loan sanction letters, at these programs, to help them



Bank's MD & CEO Amitava Chatterjee handing over loan sanction letter to beneficiary.

Ramban resident abducted by terrorists in

Notably, these login day events will be conducted on weekly basis throughout the Mission YUVA period.

The main programme of

the day was held at Government Degree College, Ganderbal, wherein MD & CEO Amitava Chatteriee was the chief guest,

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Every citizen has responsibility to build terror-free, drug-free J&K: LG

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JAMMU: Lieutenant

JAMMU/SRINAGAR: BJP

National General Secretary

Tarun Chugh on Saturday

welcomed the decision of the

United States government to

officially designate The

Resistance Front as a terror-

ist organization, calling it a

"diplomatic victory for India"

and a firm endorsement of

Prime Minister Narendra

Modi's assertive foreign poli-

Chugh said the TRF's

involvement in terror activi-

ties, particularly its role in

the recent Pahalgam mas-

sacre, was not just an attack

on innocent civilians but a

direct challenge to India's

cy doctrine.

Governor Manoj Sinha on Saturday addressed the Provincial Arya Mahasammelan at Baba Jitto Auditorium, SKUAST two-day

Mahasammelan is being organised by Arya Pratinidhi Sabha Jammu Kashmir to commemorate 200th birth anniversary of Maharshi Davananda Saraswati and 150th anniversary of the founding of Arya Samaj.

The Lieutenant Governor paid tributes to the Army, J&K Police and CAPFs personnel, who have made supreme sacrifice for J&K's peace and progress.

"But, there are few elements who speak the language of TRF. Police administration and security forces



Mahasammelan in Jammu on Saturday. opportunity to connect with

are committed to ensure peace and action against such elements as per the law," he said.

said every citizen of J&K has the onerous responsibility to build Terror-free and Drugfree UT.

Mahasammelan will provide

the new generation with an

Provincial

them to imbibe the noble teachings and ideals of The Lieutenant Governor Davananda Maharshi Saraswati that holds great significance to humanity in the 21st Century. He observed that the

Arya

The Lieutenant Governor emphasised that the revival of Vedic knowledge and its integration into the ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

its cultural roots and inspire

Addresses Provincial Arya Mahasammelan at Salutes Army, JKP & CAPFs personnel, who have

made supreme sacrifice for J&K's peace, progress Says, there are few elements who speak language of TRF. Police administration, SFs committed to ensure peace and action against such elements as

Revival of Vedic knowledge, its integration into school curriculum is crucial to offer young generation great classics of world literature, values and ideals of our ancient civilization and also a treasure of knowledge in science, arts, humanities and math-

India will soon reclaim its position of Vishwa Guru under leadership PM Narendra Modi Ji and our great country will show the new path to the world. PM's vision propelling India's economic growth

Our society is balancing traditional values with modern advancements

The teachings of Swami Dayananda will ensure lasting peace and stability ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

Niger; wife pleads for his release STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Indian national allegedly abducted by terrorists in the West African country Niger is a resident of Jammu and Kashmir's Ramban district, said his wife on Saturday, requesting the Central government's intervention for his safe release.

Sheela Devi said that her husband Ranjeet Singh was working as a senior safety officer at Transrail Lighting Limited, an integrated power transmission and distribution company. She said the family lost contact with him on July 15.

According to the Indian embassy, two Indians were killed and one abducted following a terrorist attack in southwest Niger.

"In a heinous terror attack

on July 15 in Niger's Dosso region, two Indian nationals tragically lost their lives and one was abducted," the embassy said in a social media post on Friday.

Niger media had reported that unidentified gunmen attacked an Army unit guarding a construction site in Dosso, about 130 kilometres from capital Niamey. Sheela Devi said on

Saturday, "We talked on WhatsApp on July 15 and since then, I have not been able to contact him. I called his management and was initially told that there is no network at the work site.'

She said she learned about her husband's abduction the next day through his friend. even as the management maintained that he

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Min: 60

Sunset: 19:38 Hours

Sunrise: 05:36 Hours

Max: 82