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Three local LeT terrorists killed in Shopian encounter



STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Three Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) terrorists were killed in an encounter with security forces in Shopian district on Tuesday, police said.

The security forces launched a cordonand-search operation in Shopian's Nagbal following information about the presence

of terrorists there, a police official said. He said the search operation turned into an encounter, in which the three ultras were gunned down.

The slain terrorists were affiliated with proscribed terror outfit LeT, a police

spokesperson said, adding that the search operation was in progress. The slain terrorists were identified as Danish Khursheed Bhat son of Khursheed Ahmad Bhat resident of Ladi Imamsahib, Tanveer Ahmad Wani son of Bashir Ahmad Wani resident of Amarbugh Imamsahib and Towseef Ahmad Bhat son of GH Nabi Bhat resi-

dent of Chermarag. "The 3 killed #terrorists have been identified as local terrorists of LeT namely Danish Khursheed Bhat, Tanveer Wani and Towseef Bhat. They

were involved in several #terror crime cases. Terrorist Danish was involved in #recruitment of youth into terror ranks in Shopian," Additional Director General of Police (ADGP), Kashmir Vijay Kumar

As per police records, according to the spokesperson, all the killed terrorists were categorized terrorists and involved in several terror crime cases including attacks on Police, security forces and civilian atrocities. The killed terrorist Danish Khursheed Bhat and Tanveer Ahmad Wani who were active since Aug-2021, were trying to revive the terror folds by recruiting and motivating the gullible youth to join terror folds. Moreover, the killed terrorist Danish Khursheed had earlier escaped from several encounters.

Incriminating materials, arms and ammunition were recovered from the site of encounter. All the recovered materials have been taken into case records for further investigation.

In this regard, a case under relevant sections of law has been registered and investigation has been initiated. People were requested to cooperate with Police till the area at encounter site is completely sanitized and cleared of all the explo-

LG greets people on Ganesh Chaturthi

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha has extended his warm greetings to the people on the eve of the auspicious occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi. In his message, the Lt Governor said, "On the sacred occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi, I convey my heartiest greetings to all. May Lord Ganesha, symbol of intellect, prosperity and good fortune, remove all obstacles from our lives and bless everyone with joy, prosperity and peace".

2 J&K residents caught roaming in restricted

area at Jaisalmer STATE TIMES NEWS

JAIPUR: Two residents of Jammu and Kashmir were caught in a restricted area in Jaisalmer district and are being interrogated jointly, police said on Tuesday.

Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI) Premshankar said on the information of the Border Security Force (BSF), a police team caught Mohammad Abbas (23) and Mumtaz Ahmed (25),

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8 die as car falls into gorge in Kishtwar; LG expresses grief

KISHTWAR/JAMMU Eight people, including a 16year-old girl, were killed and three others sustained serious injuries when the car in which they were travelling skidded off the road and plunged into a 300-feet gorge in Kishtwar district of Jammu and Kashmir on Tuesday, officials said.

The vehicle was on its way from Chingam to Chatroo and the accident occurred around 3.15 pm near Bonda village. All the passengers who died belonged to Bonda village, officials said.

They said, rescue teams, comprising police, and Rashtriya Rifles personnel and local villagers, carried out the rescue operation.

Five people were found dead on the spot and three others succumbed to injuries while being taken to a hospital, officials said, adding three more injured were hospitalised in a critical condi-

prayed for peace and

progress in Jammu and

"Gone are the days, when

there used to be fear of bomb

blasts and attacks, now a

new era of peace has pre-

vailed in Jammu & Kashmir

as a result of strong and deci-

sive administration of Modi

government. J&K is now

moving ahead on the path of

peace and progress and the

BJP leadership is committed

Replying to a question on

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to undone all previous wrong-

doings", said Chugh.

senior Congress

Kashmir.

Wreckage of ill-fated vehicle at accident site.

Bus carrying Vaishno Devi pilgrims overturns; 1 died, 16 injured

JAMMU: A five-year-old boy was killed and 16 persons injured on Tuesday when a bus carrying Mata Vaishno Devi pilgrims overturned in Reasi district of Jammu and Kashmir, officials said

The bus was on its way to Delhi from Katra, the base camp for the pilgrims visiting the famous shrine atop Trikuta hills,

The officials said the driver of the bus lost control and hit a parked bus before his vehicle overturned at Kadmal, resulting in the death of Shubham Kumar, a resident of Uttar Pradesh. ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9 Sixteen passengers, including

Senior Superintendent of Bhat reached the scene of

■ CONTD ON PAGE 9 Some G23 leaders meet Azad; discuss future strategy

STATE TIMES NEWS

DELHI: Senior Congress leaders and members of G-23 Bhupinder Singh Hooda, Anand Sharma and Prithviraj Chavan on Tuesday met Ghulam Nabi Azad at his residence, days after the leader from Jammu and Kashmir resigned from the party after blaming the leadership. Sharma, Hooda and Chavan held discussions at Azad's residence and are learnt to have discussed the future strategy of the G-23.

The Congress leaders are learnt to have also discussed the organisational elections, including that of the

Congress president, amid reports that Shashi Tharoor, who is a member of the group, is considering contesting the election for the top party post.

The G-23 had written a letter to Sonia Gandhi in August 2020 demanding an organisational overhaul and elections at all levels of the party. The G-23 had also been critical of certain decisions of the party leadership.

Tuesday's meeting comes days after Azad resigned from the Congress and announced that he will float his own outfit in Jammu and Kashmir ahead of assembly elections there.

9.8 Km tunnel on Banihal-Katra rail link completed **STATE TIMES NEWS** the overarch deck of the

JAMMU: The 9.8 km tunnel connecting two stations on the 111 km under-construction Banihal-Katra railway link in Jammu and Kashmir has been completed, officials It is part of the Udhampur-

Srinagar-Baramulla Railway Line (USBRL) project. This is the third tunnel following the 12.6 km tunnel T-49B, the longest tunnel of Indian Railways, which was completed in January this year. On August 14, the world's highest rail bridge over the Chenab river in the Kouri area of Reasi district achieved a milestone when

J&K reports 131 fresh COVID cases

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Jammu and

Kashmir on Tuesday recorded

131 fresh Covid cases-22 from

the Jammu division and 109

from the Vallev-- thus taking

the total number of positive

cases to 477644 in the Union

According to the daily Media

Bulletin, out of 477644 posi-

tive cases, 1191 are Active

Positive, 471671 have recov-

ered and 4782 have died: 2350

in the Jammu division and

2432 in the Kashmir division.

Providing district-wise breakup

for positive cases, the Bulletin

informed that in Kashmir divi-

sion, Srinagar reported 40

cases, Kupwara 18, Budgam

16. Baramulla 13. Anantnag

06. Ganderbal 05. Pulwama 04, Bandipora 03 and Kulgam

and Shopian districts reported

two cases each during the past

24 hours. Similarly in the

Jammu Division, Jammu

reported 18 cases, Kishtwar

02, Samba and Ramban

District one case each while no

fresh case was recorded any

fresh case during this period.

bridge was completed with a golden joint.

The breakthrough was executed by conducting a blast and with it, the work on the escape tunnel T-13 was started, said the officials engaged in the work.

"We have succeeded in completing the construction work on the tunnel between Dugga and Sawlakote stations in the Katra-Banihal section of the Udhampur Srinagar Rail Link Baramulla (USBRL)," an official said on Monday.

The officials said USBRL is a national project

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Congress must start 'Congress Jodo Yatra, before Bharat Jodo Yatra': Tarun Chugh of temples. He said that he

Tarun Chugh visits Raghunath temple

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: Congress must start 'Congress Jodo Yatra,

before Bharat Jodo Yatra', said Tarun Chugh, BJP National General Secretary & Prabhari J&K. Tarun Chugh accompanied

by senior J&K BJP leaders paid obeisance at famous Shree Raghunath Temple of Jammu. Chugh, while speaking on

the sideline of his temple visit said that Shree Raghunath temple has got special importance during visits to the city



Chugh paying obeisance at Raghunath Temple in Jammu.

India to occupy position of 'Vishwa Guru' by 2047: Rajnath

STATE TIMES NEWS

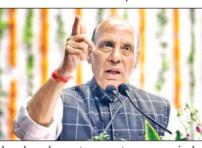
JAIPUR: Defence Minister Rainath Singh Tuesday said India is no longer weak but has become a powerful country in the world, and will again attain the position of Vishwa Guru by 2047. Speaking at a public function in Udaipur, Singh said India has never attacked any country but if anyone tries to look

He said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the govern-

at India with an evil eye, then

India has given a befitting

ment will not allow India's India considers all the coun-



After unveiling the statue of Panna Dhai, a 16th century nursemaid known for sacrificing her son to safeguard the future of Mewar in Rajasthan, Singh said that

India is the country that gave the message 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' while considering the people living on the earth as family members. That is why we have neither attacked any country nor occupied even an inch of land, he said.

Referring to the terrorist attacks in Uri and Pulwama in Jammu and Kashmir, the defence minister said that

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NHLML, KDA ink MoU for developing Inter **Modal Station in Katra** STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between NHLML(National Highways Logistics Management Limited) and Development Katra Authority in presence of Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister of State Gen VK Singh, L.G., Jammu and Kashmir Manoj Sinha and Central & State Officials.

As part of the initiative, Inter Modal Station is being developed in Katra improve the travelling

Govt constitutes Divisional, District Level Task Forces for safety of bridges

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The government on Tuesday constituted Divisional and District Level Task Forces for taking urgent measures for safety of bridges and removal of accumulated materials.

"Sanction is accorded to constitution Divisional and District Level Task Force(s) for taking urgent measures for safety of bridges and removal of accumulated material due to heavy rains, on an urgent basis," reads an order issued by Dr. Piyush Singla, Secretary, Administration General

Department.

As per order, Divisional Level Task Force has been bvDivisional Commissioner, Kashmir/ Jammu as Chairman while Chief Engineer, PW (R&B) Kashmir / Jammu will be its Member Secretary and Chief Engineer, Kashmir / Jammu will be its

Members. District Level Task Force has been led by Deputy Commissioner concerned as Chairman whereas Executive Engineer, PW (R&B), concerned will be its Member Secretary and Assistant Commissioner

Magistrate Executive Engineer, I&FC. concerned: District Mineral Officers concerned; and Project Executing concerned Agencies will be its Members

"Terms of reference of the both Task Forces is to examine threat to safety of bridges due to the flashflood during rainy seasons on account of accumulation of huge loads of river borne material; and to ensure scientific removal of such material in a time bound

Army mountaineering team successfully

JAKEDA declared best performing nodal agency by MNRE

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), Government of India, has awarded Jammu Kashmir Energy Development Agency

(JAKEDA), Department of Science and Technology, for Best Performance in the Renewable Energy Sector amongst the UTs for the year 2021-22

In addition to this, JAKE-DA has also been awarded for seven categories amongst the UTs for achieving highest renewable energy installed capacity as on March 31, 2022; highest small hydro power installed capacity as on March 31, 2022; highest renewable energy generation during 2021-22; highest solar power capacity addition

during 2021-2; highest numbers of solar street lights installed as on March 31, 2022: highest numbers of solar irrigation pumps installed as on March 31, 2022 and highest solar power installed capacity as on March 31, 2022.

awards announced on the 8th Foundation Day of the Association of Renewable Energy Agencies of States (AREAS), an Apex Body of MNRE, GoI, at Cochin, Kerela, in a two-day function on August 27th and 28th,

The Award was presented Bhagwanth Khuba, Union Minister of State for New and Renewable Energy and Chemicals

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CBI, ACB Ghaziabad directed to register FIR in Bike-Boat scam

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: In a petition filed by Forum of Investors in Online Bike Boat Scheme who were duped of financial investment made by them in response to an offer made by the M/s Garvit Innovative Promoters Limited (Bike Boat) Company located at Plot No 1, village Chiti, District Gautam Buddha Nagar. Uttar Pradesh, Noida (UP), alleged to be run and managed by respondents as Directors and all of them being the residents of UP, the Court directed CBI. ACB Ghaziabad to register FIR in scam.

Justice Rahul Bharti of Jammu & Kashmir High Court, after hearing Adv Anuj Dewan Raina, observed that the Court in recognition of fact

that an alleged act of crime, and which too is of nature of the financial fraud, needs an investigation and cannot suffer delay for even getting registered at the instance of aggrieved person(s). "Court directs that in event of Suresh Kumar Bhat, son of Lambodar Bhat, resident of HNo 308, Sec-3, Extension Vasant Vihar, Trikuta Nagar, being representative of the Forum of Investors in online Boat Scheme, approached Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) Ghaziabad with a complaint, his compliant be diarized as FIR by CBI and ACB Ghaziabad so as to undertake and proceed ahead with the investigation in the matter as

nature," the Court observed. The nature of criminal fraud allegedly suffered by individuals at hands of M/s Garvit Innovative Promoters Limited (Bike Boat) Company had come forward with an advertisement in public domain offering a scheme inviting public to invest an amount of Rs. 62,100 as price of one bike with respondent returning an amount of Rs 5,175 to investor, on monthly basis, for a period of one year plus crediting an amount of Rs 4,590 to investor as a rental income of bike. It is in this scenario that number of duped investors got together to act as a forum in name of petitioner for the purpose of pursuing a legal battle to book the wrong-doers.

scales Mt Kang Yatse in Ladakh STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Army on

Tuesday said its 14-member mountaineering expedition team successfully scaled 21,000-feet-high Mount Kang Yatse-I, one of the toughest and most technical peaks in the Zanskar ranges of Ladakh

The expedition was flagged in by Chief of Staff, Headquarters Northern Command, Lt Gen N S Raja Subramani, at Leh, a defence spokesman said.

He said the formidable mountain, Kang Yatse-1, calls for specialist technical climbing skills of rock, ice and snow craft and excellent physical fitness in addition to extreme mental fortitude.

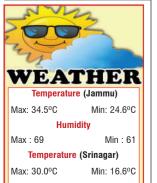
With a steep summit climb, frequently punctuated by

multiple vertical ice walls, moraines, crevasses, technical boulder sections and steep couloirs, Kang Yatse-1 is a mountaineer's ultimate trial of technical skill, physical and mental ceiling and heterogeneity of experience, the spokesman said. "The success of the expedi-

tion is yet another stellar addition in the myriad accomplishments of the Indian Army," he said.

He said the expedition was undertaken by a 14-member team of Malaun Gurkha Unit of Thanpir Brigade of Dah Division as a tribute to the struggle of our freedom fighters" as part of the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' and to mark the 75th anniversary of India's Independence.

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