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There is no greater love than love for motherland: LG Sinha

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# Youth of J&K love 'Tiranga', says LG Sinha

SRINAGAR: A mega 'Tiranga' rally was held here on Sunday with Jammu and Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha asserting that the youth of Jammu and Kashmir loves the national flag.

Participating in the rally organised as part of Independence Day celebrations, Sinha said those who claimed that there won't be anyone left in Jammu and Kashmir to raise the tiranga should have seen the turnout at the rally.

The LG flagged-off the Tiranga Yatra in Srinagar and joined thousands of enthusiastic citizens in the walkathon from KICC to Botanical Garden.

"They, who used to say that there won't be anyone left in Jammu and Kashmir to raise the tiranga, would have understood that every youth of Jammu and Kashmir loves the national flag as much as people from any other part of



Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha leading the massive Tiranga rally, at Srinagar on Sunday, organised to mark Independence Day celebrations.

Chugh leads Tiranga Yatra in Srinagar with

out taking any names.

"Today people of Jammu and Kashmir are being hailed across the country. As we are combining the people's power and taking the development towards the poor and the country," Sinha said with- underprivileged, some people cannot bear this," he said.

"There was a time when the youth of Kashmir was misled but today they are contributing to building the nation and Jammu and Kashmir. This is a proud moment for

er and restore the status of Jammu and Kashmir as the iewel in the crown of India." he added.

Sinha said he was feeling proud and satisfied that not only people from the adminwere present in the rally but the common people of Kashmir also participated in

"I think and feel that respecting the tricolour is respecting the country and down their lives. People have understood that everyone has to guard the tricolour and everyone has to contribute to the development of the nation. I think this is the big change in Kashmir," he said.

Tricolor represents dreams of our freedom fighters, our martyrs. I bow to all the great personalities who had made invaluable contributions and fought till their last breath for the progress and prosperity of the nation,

Srinagar, all houses in 20 districts are celebrating and hoisting Tricolor," the Lt  ${\it Governor\ said.}$ 

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"Today the entire J&K is participating in the Tiranga

Yatra. The Tricolor is flying

high in the sky, streets are

filled with enthusiasm.

Participation of men, women,

youths and senior citizens

across the UT is an inspiration for the country as well,"

"Let us walk together, let

our hearts beat together, this

is the resolve of Tiranga

Yatra that binds every sec-

tion of the society in one emo-

tion. From Pulwama to

Poonch, from Kulgam to

Kathua, from Jammu to

the Lt Governor said.

At KICC, the Lt Governor administered the Prime Minister's 'Panch Pran' pledge to the public representatives, officials and citizens who gathered in huge numbers to participate in the "Together, Tiranga Yatra. J&K is marching

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## Modi changes social media DP to tricolour, urges people to do same

#### STATE TIMES NEWS NEW DELHI:

Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday urged people to change the display picture of their social media accounts to the tricolour in the spirit of the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign.

Modi also changed the display picture of his social media 2,591 Following 91M Followers accounts to national flag.

BJP leaders, including Union ministers and chief ministers, followed suit and posted the tricolour as their

four leopard skins in

PANAJI: The Goa unit of

the Directorate of Revenue

Intelligence (DRI) arrested

eight persons, among them a

policeman, involved in illegal

trade of wildlife and seized

four leopard skins from their

possession in Jammu and

Kashmir, an official said on

Sunday. An operation was

launched by the DRI after it

Smart fences set up

along LoC to thwart

infiltration attempts

JAMMU: The army has put

in place smart fences based

on cutting-edge sensor and CCTV camera technologies

Control (LoC), an official

This has strengthened bor-

der security and surveillance,

Jammu-based army public

relations officer Lt Col

Suneel Bartwal told a group

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of journalists who visited

said on Sunday.

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Srinagar; 8 held

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## Narendra Modi

Friday called on people to

Tiranga' movement between August 13 to 15. "In the spirit of the Har

take part in the 'Har Ghar

Ghar Tiranga movement, ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

The prime minister had on

**STATE TIMES NEWS** SRINAGAR: Prime Minister Narendra Modi's message of " Meri Matti, Mera Desh" BJP national general secretary Tarun Chugh, who is also party incharge of J&K, on Sunday took out a Tiranga Yatra here to celebrate Azadi Amrit mahotsava. Hundreds of people joined

the Yatra which raised slogans like Vande Matram Bharat Mata Ki Jai.

The Yatra covered more than five kms of stretch with local BJP leaders joining in full vigour.

Talking to media persons



National General Secretary Tarun Chugh taking out Tiranga Yatra at Srinagar.

Chugh lambasted former CM Farooq Abdullah for

talk to Pakistan for peace in J&K. Chugh said the Modi suggesting that India must government would talk to

### PM's message 'Meri Matti, Mera Desh' the locals to resolve their problems.

Abdullah should stop looking at Pakistan for the solution of local problems, he said.

Chugh also condemned Mehbooba Mufti for her remarks that nobody in J&K hold the national flag. Today thousands of people are carrying Tiranga in this March. Hope she can see the transformation taking place in JK, he said.

The J&K is no more a terrorist capital of the country. It's a tourism capital where locals are looking for progress and development.

## Bakshi Stadium to host I-Day function after 5 years

#### ■ STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: A refurbished Bakshi Stadium here will host the main Independence Day function of Jammu and Kashmir after a gap of five vears as the civil administration on Sunday appealed to people take part in the celebrations on Tuesday.

"The function is being held here so that more and more people can come to participate. Adequate arrangements have been made for it. There are no restrictions, there is no need for a pass to enter the stadium."

Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir, V K Bhiduri said after a full dress rehearsal of

the Independence Day function.

Bakshi Stadium has hosted the main Independence Day function of Jammu and Kashmir over the decades but had to be closed in 2018 for upgradation and renova-

Independence Day parades over the past five years were held at the Sher-e-Kashmir Cricket Stadium in Sonawar.

The chief minister usually presided over the function but in absence of an elected government, the governor of the erstwhile state would do the honours. Since the abrogation of Article 370

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## DRI's Goa unit seizes DPAP will focus on development, end corruption: Azad



at village Chiralla on Sunday.

### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

DODA: Former chief minister and DPAP Chairman Ghulam Nabi Azad on

will continue his political battle to secure the jobs and land rights of the people of Jammu and Kashmir and

#### to J&K is attached with the socio-political emancipation

"If elected to power, I will focus on development, corruption-free governance", Azad said while addressing a massive public rally at Chiralla. Bhadarwah on the last day of his 10 days long and extensive tour of Chenab valley.

Azad met hundreds of delegations and addressed huge public rallies across the Chenab valley during his

" My heart is beating for

the people of Chenab

# Jammu to ensure peaceful

#### **I-Day celebrations** STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Security has been beefed up across Jammu, especially along the borders with Pakistan, to thwart any attempt to disrupt peace in region ahead of Independence Day, officials said on Sunday.

Massive 'tiranga' rallies are being held in the region in the run up to Independence Day celebrations on Tuesday.

The army and Border Security Force have intensified their vigil all along the 225-km Line of Control (LoC) and 192-km International Border (IB), officials said.

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## Chief Justice leads JKLSA's 'Tiranga Rally' in Srinagar

SRINAGAR: In a glorious display of national pride and unity in diversity and to commemorate India's remarkable journey of 75 years of Independence, the J&K Legal Services Authority (JKLSA) in association with District Legal Services Authority, Srinagar, organized on Sunday a monumental 'Tiranga Rally' to pay homage to those who struggled and sacrificed their lives for the future generations.

The 'Tiranga Rally' was flagged off by Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh,



Chief Justice, High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, Justice N. Kotiswar Singh leading JKLSA's 'Tiranga Rally' at Srinagar on Sunday.

Justice N. Kotiswar Singh from Srinagar Wing and subsequently he lead it which

"Ghanta Ghar" at Lal Chowk. The Chief Justice

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## Memories of martyrs will live in our hearts forever: LG

SRINAGAR: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Sunday paid tribute to the freedom fighters, saying the memories of the martyrs will live on forever in the hearts of the people.

"I bow my head in reverence to the sacrifices of our freedom fighters and heroes who sacrificed their lives for the motherland. The memories of their martyrdom will forever live on in our hearts and inspire us," Sinha said at a 'Meri Maati, Mera Desh' programme here.

Students, common man, Mitti Mitra from Panchayats, Blocks, Urban Local Bodies came together to pay homage to the soil of motherland.

The Lt Governor paid tributes to the freedom fighters, martyrs and administered the Panch Pran pledge to the students, PRI members and the people. He also interacted with freedom fighters, their family members and took their blessings.

The Lt Governor observed that the Panch Pran Pledge, Vasudha



Vandan, Veeron ka Vandan and Amrit Kalash Yatra across the UT reflects our resolve, our spirit and dedication to the motherland.

He called upon youth to take inspiration from the valour and courage of brave hearts and strive to become worthy heirs of great leaders.

Mitti (Soil) of the pious land of Jammu Kashmir will soon reach the National Capital in Amrit Kalash. It is a symbol of the sacrifice of our bravehearts, a reflection of the new dreams, new aspirations of the people of J&K, the Lt Governor said.

The Lt Governor said that Vasudha

Vandhan program reminds us about our duty towards the nature. The campaign to plant 75 saplings in every village and develop the 'Amrit Vatika' is an opportunity to rededicate ourselves to the efforts of sustainable development, he added. Stressing that the entire nation, the

entire world is one family, the Lt Governor said peace and prosperity in the society should be our common

"Let us devote ourselves to the ideals of great personalities like Mahatma Gandhi, Sardar Patel, Lokmanya Tilak and work for the larger interest of the society," the Lt Governor said.

As a part of the ongoing 'Meri Mati Mera Desh' campaign, Shila-Falkam will be installed in every village of J&K as a tribute to the brave sons of Maa Bharati.

The Lt Governor urged the PRI members to involve students, youth and local residents in large numbers with this ■ CONTD ON PAGE 9

## Adequate security in place for I-Day celebrations: DGP

### STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir's top cop on Sunday said adequate security arrangements have been made to ensure peaceful conduct of Independence Day celebrations in the union territory. Director General of Police Dilbag Singh said people should come in large numbers to participate in the Independence Day celebrations across Jammu and Kashmir.

"There is a lot of enthusiasm and people want to participate in the Independence Day functions. We have made adequate security arrangements for the Independence Day celebrations," Singh told reporters at a 'tiranga' rally here.

Responding to questions, Singh said the number of active militants in Jammu and

Kashmir was not very high but asserted that the security forces cannot lower their guard. "We don't have to go into the numbers, which is not high anyways. But attempts are being made from across and through social media to mislead the youth. The youth have, however, understood that this (militancy) is a path to destruction. I congratulate them," he added. On the situation along the borders, the DGP said there were attempts of infiltration from Pakistan occupied Kashmir but most of these bids have been foiled at the Line of Control (LoC) itself. "Attempts to infiltrate have been taking place butmost of the bids have been eliminated. Most of the encounters this year have taken place along the LoC," he added.

### WEATHER Max: 34.4°C Max: 93 Max: 33.1°C Max: 72 Min: 50 Sunset: 19:14 Hours

Sunrise: 05:46 Hours