

DC Rajouri reviews drug control measures; asks for heightening vigil against perpetrators

STATE TIMES NEWS
RAJOURI: Deputy Commissioner Rajouri, Vikas Kundal on Tuesday chaired the meeting of the District Level NCORD Committee to deliberate upon and invigorate the ongoing measures to combat the drug abuse in the district. The meeting commenced with a comprehensive review of the progress made since

the previous meeting, highlighting the formation of Nasha Mukht Abhiyan committees at the tehsil and panchayat levels as a significant milestone. A crucial focus of the discussion was the enforcement of regulations on registered pharmaceutical shops to prevent their certificates from being misused by drug peddlers. The efficacy of various awareness campaigns, including those conducted in educational institutions, unique events such as special sports tournaments held in July, and engaging sessions like 'Chai Pe Charcha' were thoroughly scrutinized and reinforced.

During the crucial meeting, a series of impactful directives were issued to the concerned officers to effectively combat the menace of drug abuse in the society. Recognizing the urgency



DC Rajouri, Vikas Kundal chairing a meeting.

and gravity of the situation, the Chief Education Officer was entrusted with the pivotal task of organizing comprehensive awareness camps across various grade levels within educational institutions. In a bid to ensure maximum impact, the Chief Education Officer was specifically instructed to incorporate drug abuse awareness programs into Parent-Teacher Meetings. Furthermore, the meeting fostered an environment of shared experiences and practical knowledge, as different officers came forward

to present their valuable insights on engaging the entire society in the fight against drug abuse. It was unanimously agreed upon that religious leaders play a significant role in shaping community values and beliefs; hence, their active involvement in spreading awareness was deemed essential. The officers suggested collaborating with religious leaders to enlighten their respective congregations about the detrimental consequences of drug abuse and the collective responsibility to eradicate

it. Moreover, realizing the importance of community engagement, the meeting highlighted the need to actively involve local governing bodies such as panches and sarpanches in the fight against drug abuse. These grassroots leaders possess a deep understanding of their communities and wield significant influence. The Deputy Commissioner deliberated upon the agenda of the meeting regarding drug abuse and directed to different officers to strictly adhere to the directions

passed. He also urged all stakeholders to work in tandem and make dedicated efforts to transform Rajouri into a drug-free district. Emphasizing the importance of keeping the youth on the right track, he called upon the officers to strengthen their synergized and comprehensive efforts in combating the drug menace.

Officers present in the meeting were ADC Rajouri, Rajiv Kumar Khajuria; ADC Sunderbani, Vinod Kumar Behnal; ADC Kalakote, Krishan Lal; ADC Koteranka, Surinder Mohan Sharma; PO ICDS, Shoket Mehmood Malik; ACR, Imran Rashid Kataria; CMO, Dr Rajinder Sharma; CEO Education, Sultana Kouser; DPO, Auqil Nuvaid; DSWO, Wakeel Ahmed Bhatt; MS DH, Dr Mehmood Bajjar among other officers.

Annual Kabad Yatra taken out at Sudhmahadev



Annual Kabad Yatra being taken out.

STATE TIMES NEWS
UDHAMPUR: Like every year this year too famous Kabad Yatra taken out from Gourikund temple which culminated at Paneshwar temple at Sudhmahadev in Tehsil Chenani.

According to reports, in order to maintained peace prosperity and tranquility peaceful Kabad Yatra was organized by Aware India along with Mahadev Kabad Mandal Sudhmahadev. AIF president Vimal Sharma took out the 8th continuously Yatra which was flagged off by head Pujari of Gouri Kund Temple after chanting mantras. All the participants after reaching temple

prayed to Bhagwan Shree Shulpaneshwar Sudhmahadev for welfare of all and prayed Shool Paneshwar to bless all of us around the world with good health. Members of AIF decided to continue this routine next time in the month of Savan also. Members also decided to promote spiritual trees like rudraksh, bael pater like on the banks of Devika at Sudhmahadev. Vimal Sharma President AIF, Rajinder Kumar, Vikuland Sharma, Ritika Sharma, Shoba Devi, Basu Sadotra Master Aadesh, Miss Devika, Master Arvind, Master Devesh also participated.

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CRIME REPORT

Police, SIU seize 2 cars, bike

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SHOPIAN: Police along with SIU Shopian on Tuesday seized 2 cars and a bike.

As per details, continuing its crackdown on terror elements, Special Investigation Unit (SIU) Shopian in continuation of investigation in case FIR No. 126/2023 U/S 307 IPC 7/27 IAA, 16,18,20,23,38,39 UAP Act, on disclosure statement of accused namely Adnan Shafi son of Mohd Shafi Shah conducted raids and searches in residential houses of Zahid Ahmad Shah son of Ab Gaffar Shah, Hanzil Ahmad Shah son of Mohd Maqbool Shah and in house of accused in discussion.

Moreover, raid and search was also conducted in the Matting Shop of Mohd Yaqoob Shah son of Mohd Sultan Shah resident of Rawalpura at New Colony Gagren. During search, one Hand Grenade was recovered from a Hyundai Venue car bearing Regd. No JK22C-1511 which was accordingly seized in the instant case from the residential House of Mohd Yaqoob Shah son of Mohd Sultan Shah. Moreover, one Tata Nexon Car bearing Regd. No JK22B-6400 and a Duke Motorcycle bearing Regd. No. JK22C- 2736 were also seized from the Compound of Mohd Yaqoob Shah and have been seized in the instant case for being used directly or indirectly in the commission of the crime.

Investigation of the case is going on more recoveries and arrests are expected in near future to curb the ill designs of ANEs.

2 vehicles seized, 2 arrested for illegal extraction and transportation of minerals

STATE TIMES NEWS
BARAMULLA: Acting tough against the persons involved in illegal extraction and transportation of minerals, police have seized two vehicles and arrested two persons in Baramulla.

As per details, a police party led by SHO Kreeri seized 1 Tractor and arrested the driver for illegal extraction and transportation of minerals at Shrakwara Kreeri. He has been identified as Muneer Ahmad Ganie son of Ghulam Mohiuddin resident of Shrakwara.

Similarly, Police party led by IC PP Babarshahi seized Tipper and arrested the driver identified as Waseem Ahmad Malik son of Khazir Mohd Malik resident of Doolipora, involved in illegal extraction and transportation of minerals at Nambalnar Babarshahi.

Accordingly, cases under relevant sections of law have been registered in respective police stations and investigation has been initiated.

Police destroys wild bung

STATE TIMES NEWS
AWANTIPORA: Continuing its efforts to eradicate the menace of drugs from the society, police on Tuesday launched special bung destruction drive in the villages of Police Station Awantipora.

A joint team comprising of Police Station Awantipora alongwith officials of Excise Department destroyed wild bung spread over 42 Kanals of land in villages falling under the jurisdiction of Police Station Awantipora.

General public of these areas have widely appreciated the action taken by the Police and assured their full cooperation in future to eradicate the drug menace from the society. Community members are requested to come forward with any information regarding cultivation of contrabands in their neighbourhood. Persons found indulging in drug peddling & cultivation of contraband substances shall be dealt as per law.

Police freezes & initiates forfeiture proceedings of huge amount of illegally acquired wealth crore under NDPS Act

STATE TIMES NEWS
SOPORE: Police Station Bomai of Police District Sopore while investigating the case FIR No. 26 of 2023 under section 8/22 of the NDPS Act of Police Station Bomai in one notorious drug trafficker namely Parvaiz Ahmad Bhat son of Ali Mohammad Bhat resident of Umerabad HMT Srinagar was arrested and found in conscious possession of 350 Bottles of Codeine Phosphate (of 100 ml each), frozen Bank Accounts of said accused person in which huge amount of illegally acquired wealth amounting to Rs. 1,25,06,377.10 (One Crore twenty five lakhs six thousand three hundred seventy seven rupees) was ordered to be frozen/attached and forfeiture proceedings of said illegally acquired property (Bank Balance of Rs. 1.25 Crores) was taken up with the Competent Authority, New Delhi in accordance with the provisions of Chapter VA of the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985.

The property (in the form of bank balance) has been illegally acquired from the income earned through drug trafficking & is of recent origin and does not commensurate with the sources of the income of the accused.

It is worth to mention that the said accused person previously was also found to have been involved in case FIR No. 337/2013 under section 8/22 of the NDPS Act of Police Station Parimpura; case FIR No. 92/2020 under section 8/21, 22 & 29 of the NDPS Act of Police Station Ram Munshibagh Srinagar and case FIR No. 121/2015 under section 8/21 NDPS Act of Police Station Sumbal. The investigation in the case FIR No. 26 of 2023 under section 8/22 of the NDPS Act of Police Station Bomai is still in progress.

Drug peddler arrested, psychotropic substance recovered

STATE TIMES NEWS
SOPORE: Continuing its efforts to eradicate the menace of drugs from the society, Police on Tuesday arrested one drug peddler in Sopore and recovered Psychotropic substance from his possession.

A police party of Police Post Putkha at a checkpoint established at Wagub Crossing arrested one drug peddler identified as Danish Rajab Mir son of Muhammad Rajab Mir resident of Nigen Bagh Sopore. During checking, 308 banned capsules were recovered from his possession. He has been shifted to police station where he remains in custody.

Accordingly, a case vide FIR No. 85/2023 under relevant sections of law has been registered at Police Station Tarzoo and investigation set into motion.

Police files chargesheet against criminal in attempt to murder case

STATE TIMES NEWS
SAMBHA: Police on Tuesday produced challan in the court of law against criminal "Parveen Kumar" of Mananu, Sambha in an attempt to murder case registered at Police Station Sambha in 2020.

A written complaint was received at Police Station Sambha from one Krishan Lal, son of Falo Ram, resident of Mananu tehsil and district Sambha containing the averments that on July 20, 2020 his brother namely Sukhdev Raj while on his way to home was wrongfully restrained and attacked with sharp-edged weapon ('Toka') by one Parveen Kumar, son of Kullu Ram, resident of Mananu tehsil and district Sambha with the intention to kill him. The victim Sukhdev Raj received grievous injuries on his head & on arms in the murderous attack by the accused and was immediately shifted to District Hospital Sambha.

Acting upon the complaint, a case FIR No.189/2020 u/s 341,323,307 IPC, 4/25 Arms Act was registered at Police Station Sambha, accused Parveen Kumar was arrested by police and investigation was started.

After completing the investigation, police closed the case as challanas offence has been proved against accused Parveen Kumar and produced the same in the court of Additional Special Magistrate Sambha for judicial determination. The investigation of the case was conducted under the supervision of SHO Police Station Sambha Rajeshwar Singh, DySPGaru Ram and Additional SP Sambha SurinderChoudhary.

Crackdown against illegal mining: DMO Jammu seizes 3 vehicles, 200MT sand

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: In continuation to its efforts to curb illegal mining, the Geology and Mining Department team, led by District Mineral Officer, Dr. Gulshan Kumar on Tuesday carried out a series of raids against unauthorised excavation and mineral dumping in the district.

Following orders from Deputy Commissioner Jammu, the DMO and his team conducted raids on Tuesday morning at several locations including Belol, Miran Sahib, Lalyal, Sumb Toph and Surya Chack areas. Three vehicles engaged in illegal transportation of minor minerals were confiscated.

The seized vehicles with chassis numbers MBNGAALUPMRCO39631 and license plates JK02CW0723 and JK20B 5084 were caught transporting sand without the required e-Challan (Form A). The vehicles were handed over to respective police stations and Chowki authorities for safekeeping until penalties were paid.

One vehicle was caught in Belol area and handed to SHO Miran Sahib Police Station. A Vehicle, caught transporting sand illegally from the Mandal area, was seized in collaboration with the Incharge Phallian Mandal Police Chowki and handed over to the concerned Chowki Officer. In Lalyal, one more vehicle was seized and entrusted to Incharge Chatha Police Chowki.

Additionally, the DMO and team, along with the Mandal Chowki Incharge, visited the Surya Chack and Ganeshu Chack areas. About 200 metric tons of illegally stockpiled sand were confiscated. Offenders were instructed to contact the Joint Director of Geology and Mining for release after paying penalties.

Several complaints prompted this action against illegal mineral extraction, transportation and storage. This operation led to the seizure of three vehicles and 200 metric tons of sand. A previous operation the day before resulted in the seizure of eight vehicles, including an excavator, bringing the two-day total to 11 vehicles.

Earlier in the week, a joint effort between DMO Jammu, Geology and Mining and local police targeted Lalyal, Malka Chack and Muckwal areas, seizing 10 vehicles and 1800 metric tons of illicitly stored sand. seized sand piles were handed over to Chatha Chowki and about 2000 metric tons were returned to the Tawi River with the help of machinery.

Offenders were warned against illegal mineral activities. Public and transporters were advised to use valid challans (Form A) and not to extract minerals without permission. The operational status of recently auctioned mineral blocks was clarified. These will operate upon submission of Environmental Clearance (EC) and Consent to Operate (CTO) documents by winning bidders.

The DMO emphasised that no one is authorised to collect royalties district-wide. Both unauthorised mineral extraction and fee collection are illegal. Police were directed to act against those collecting unauthorised royalties and promoting illegal mineral extraction.

Operations of operational mineral blocks are suspended due to the current rainy/monsoon season until September 15, 2023, as stated by the DMO.

Bike lifter arrested, 7 bikes recovered

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Police on Tuesday arrested a bike lifter and recovered 7 stolen bikes



from his possession. SSP Jammu Chandan Kohli said that Jammu Police arrested a bike lifter and recovered 07 stolen bikes from the accused.

Giving details SSP Jammu Chandan Kohli, said that a complaint was lodged at Police Post Rehari by one person namely Parminder Singh, son of Bhagat Singh, resident of Bishnah District Jammu stating that his Motorcycle bearing Registration no. JK02CE-1545 was stolen from outside the Vivekananda hospital at Amphalla.

SSP Jammu said that in this regard a case FIR No. 108/2023 U/S 379 IPC was registered in this PS Pacea Danga and investigation started.

SSP Jammu further added that police teams of PP Rehari under the supervision of SP North Kulbir Handa assisted by SDPO North Sunil Kumar Kesar, SHO PS Pacea Danga Inspr Sushil Kumar and I/C PP Rehari PSI Anil Kumar did strenuous efforts and with the help of CCTV footages of the area finally rounded up the suspected person namely Narinder Gupta, son of Lt. Ram Lal, resident of Wazharat road Jammu.

Moreover 6 cases have already been registered against the accused at different police stations. Also during questioning, the said person disclosed his involvement in commission of crime and on his disclosure stolen motorcycle bearing registration No. JK02CE/1545 got recovered and additionally 06 another motorcycles were also recovered from him. The recovered vehicles include

Hero splendor DRO, engine No. HA10ELDHH32442 and chassis No. MBLHA10ASDHH50900; Hero splendor black in colour bearing Chassis No. MBLHAR083JHM49427 & engine no. HA10AGJHM74701; Hero super splendor bearing Registration No. JK21-B6979 Engine no. JK05CEF9B03667 and chassis no. MBLJA05EMF9B03773 ; Motorcycle bearing Registration No. JK02BS-3760 Hero passion pro black in colour, HA10EVG4J05086 and chassis no.MBHLA10BSG4J05133; Hero super splendor black in colour bearing Registration No. JK02AX-5986 having Engine No. JK05ECC9K08046 and Chassis no. MBJLA05EKC9K08617 and One bullet standard black in colour bearing Registration No. JK02CB-1812 having Engine no. U3K5C1JA274082 & chassis no. ME343K5C1JA252854

All the 7 bikes have been recovered and seized under section 102 Cr.PC.

Shopkeeper held with 49 banned Chinese Manja

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Police on Tuesday nabbed a shopkeeper and recovered 49 banned Chinese Manja.

As per details, an information was received at Police Station City regarding one person selling banned synthetic threads for sale in the area. On this, a team of Police Station City led by SDPO North Sunil Kumar Kesar assisted by SHO City SI Mohinder Singh rounded up a suspected person who was selling banned synthetic threads at his shop at Raghunath Pura. During search, 49 Chinese Manja (Gattu) were recovered from his possession which is banned vide DM Jammu order No. DMJ/LO/22-23/8943 dated 21.07.2022.

In this regard, case FIR No 54 /2023 U/S 188 IPC got registered at PS City and accused got arrested. The arrest was made in violation of DM order regarding ban on sale of plastic/synthetic threads (manja). The arrested person was later identified as Ajeet Kumar, son of Om Parkash, resident of 104 Raghunath Pura Jammu.

It is requested to the general public to inform at the nearest Police station/Police Post regarding sale of synthetic threads (manja). Moreover general public is informed not to buy or sale such synthetic threads (manja).

Man arrested for making objectionable comments on casteism

STATE TIMES NEWS
RAJOURI: Police on Tuesday arrested a man for making some objectionable comments on casteism.

As per details, on August 28, a complaint was lodged by Sahil Kumar, son of Bittu Kumar, resident of Dassal was received by police in which complainant stated that a person namely Buntty Saryal son of Rattan Saryal resident of Dassal Jattan blocked his rightful way, beaten him and abused alongwith passing some objectionable remarks on casteism that hurt the sentiments of a particular section of society.

Taking note of this complaint, a case FIR No. 411/23 U/Ss 341, 323, 504, 506 IPC, Act 3 (r.o.u) of SC/ ST Atrocities Act was registered.

During legal proceedings and investigation, a team of police has arrested the accused Buntty Saryal son of Rattan Kumar Saryal resident of Dassal.

Further investigation and legal proceedings are going on in the case.

Four narcotic peddlers nabbed with heroin

STATE TIMES NEWS
RAJOURI: Four narcotic peddlers have been arrested in Rajouri on Tuesday with consignment of heroin like substance has been seized from their possession.

In an official statement, Rajouri police said that a team of police headed by Deputy SP Headquarter Rajouri Mudassir Hussain alongwith SHO Rajouri Aejaz Ahmed Wani and PSI Sahil Bhagat alongwith a team of Army's 225 field regiment and CRPF was on naka duty near Abdullah bridge of town when three persons were intercepted on their suspicious movement.

Trio were put to frisking and 7.5 Grams of Heroine like substance was recovered from Mohammad Ishitiahq @Chotu Malik son of Mohammad Zafar Malik resident of Malik Market Rajouri, 5.5-6 grams of Heroine like substance was recovered from Wasim Chowdhary son of Mohammad Rafiq resident of Katarimal Rajouri whereas 3.5 grams of Heroine like substance was recovered from Mohammad Arif soj of Mohammad Raqib resident of ward 4, DC colony Rajouri.

The three accused have been arrested in a case in FIR No 414/23 U/S 8/21/22/29 NDPS Act.

In another action, police said, Rajesh Kumar son of Sukhdev Singh resident of Rathal Chowdhury Nar was intercepted at Rathal by team of police over his suspicious movement with six grams of Heroine like substance was recovered from his possession after which he has been booked in case FIR 415/23 U/S 8/21/22 NDPS Act.

Drug peddler nabbed with Charas

STATE TIMES NEWS
THANAMANDI: Police on Tuesday arrested a peddler alongwith Charas like substance. Police said that notorious drug peddler namely Imran Ahmed son of Mohd Farooq Dar resident of Potha Rajdhani in Thanamandi was arrested along with 13.5 grams of charas after he was intercepted by police team over his suspicious activities.

The arrest was made by police team headed by SHO Thanamandi Hilal Azhar under the supervision of SDPO Thanamandi Dr. Intiaz Ahmed.

A case in FIR No. 125/2023 U/S 8/20 NDPS Act has been registered and further investigation and legal proceedings into the matter is going on.

He said that police alongwith other stakeholders in Government sector including civil administration is also making efforts on curative aspects for treatment of addicted youth and to bring them out of addiction.