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On the occasion, the Lieutenant Governor felicitated the Kargil War Heroes and released a Monograph in the honour of the Martyrs of Jammu Kashmir.

Tiranga Concert, filled with patriotic ethos, paid a moving tribute to countless heroes and bravehearts and rekindled the spirit of the Indian freedom movement.

Chief Minister, Omar Abdullah; Minister for Health & Medical Education, School Education, Higher Education and Social Welfare, Sakeena Itoo; Minister for Jal Shakti, Forest, Ecology & Environment and Tribal Affairs, Javed Ahmed Rana; Minister for Agriculture Production, Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Cooperative and Election, Javid Ahmad Dar; Chairperson, J&K Waqf Board, Dr Darakhshan Andrabi; Chief Secretary, Atal Dulloo; DGP, Nalin Prabhat; Principal Secretary Home, Chandraker Bharti; Principal Secretary Culture, Brij Mohan Sharma, people from all walks of life and residents of Srinagar, senior officials of Security forces, Police and Civil Administration joined the Tiranga Yatra.

SIA conducts raids...

36 years ago," an official said.

These strategic searches which were conducted at eight locations throughout District Srinagar have resulted in the recovery of some incriminating evidences, which will help in unearthing the whole terrorist conspiracy with an ultimate aim to deliver Justice to the victim and her family, the official added.

ACB registers 8...

initiated and on the basis of the verification conducted earlier it was found that more than 600 kanals of Custodian land was shown allotted to the displaced persons through fraudulent means by the officers/officials of Revenue Dept. in connivance with the land grabbers/Form Alaf holders.

Accordingly, 16 case FIRs already stand registered by the ACB in which the investigation is in progress, the official said.

Now again, during the course of verification, the official said, it has been found that displaced persons from POJK were already allotted land in their favour but even then kith and kin of these families although not entitled as already allotted land being Form Alaf holders, in connivance with the concerned Patwaris/ Girdawars/ Naib Tehsildars/ Tehsildars of Revenue Department got mutations of additional land at Bhalwal area of District Jammu attested in their favour either without any Govt./ PRO order or on fake Govt./ PRO order.

During verification, the official said, it has also been found that no such orders of allotment of land were issued by the office of the PRO.

These persons after getting mutation of lands in their favour alienated the said land directly or through their attorney holders/ conduits to various persons by resorting to fraudulent means, thereby causing a huge loss to the Govt. Exchequer, the official said.

Owing to the establishment of, prima facie, nexus of the criminal elements/land grabbers/Form Alaf holders and the Revenue officers/officials in alienation of about 150 kanals of Custodian land through fraudulent means, official said, ACB has now registered another eight formal case FIRs in Police Station ACB Central J&K for in-depth investigation under the provisions of J&K Prevention of Corruption Act, criminal conspiracy, cheating, forgery and fraud against Suresh Sharma, son of Ved Parkash, resident of Kangrail, Jammu, the then Patwari, Patwar Halqa Barn, Tehsil Balwal, Mohit Gupta, son of Bushan Gupta, resident of H.No. 95, Suraksha Vihar, Paloura Top, Jammu, the then Tehsildar Balwal, Kuldeep Singh, son of Aya Singh, resident of House No. 83/84 Bakshi Nagar Jammu, Anjali Slathia, wife of Balvinder Singh, resident of Bhopur, Tehsil Akhnoor, District Jammu, Navjot Singh, son of Ajit Singh, resident of Ranjan, Partly Gharota Jammu, the then Patwari, Patwar Halqa Barn, Tehsil Balwal, Ferooz Khan, son of Mohd Sher, resident of Mangalnar Manjokot, Rajouri, the then Tehsildar Balwal, Paryad Ahmed, the then Patwari, Patwar Halqa Kot, Tehsil Jammu, Narain Singh (now dead), the then Tehsildar Jammu, Deedar Singh, son of Inder Singh, resident of Batala Tehsil Bhimber, at present Chatha Farm Jammu, Omkar Singh, son of Paras Ram, resident of village lower Muthi, Tehsil Jammu North District Jammu, Bashir Ahmad, the then Patwari, Patwar Halqa Raipur Domana, Mohd Aslam, the then Girdawar circle Misriwala, Avtar Singh, the then Tehsildar Jammu, Sat Pal, son of Nanak Chand, resident of Gadigarh, Jammu, Shabir Ahmed, the then Patwari, Patwar Halqa Kot, Iqbal Zargar Girdawar circle Balwal, Guldarshan Singh, the then Naib Tehsildar Balwal (now dead), Kamal Kohli, son of Madan Lal, resident of Hardo Muthi Rajbagh, Kathua, Shakeel Ahmad, the then Patwari, Patwar Halqa Balwal, Aqeel Ahmad, the then Naib Tehsildar Balwal, Jaspal Singh, son of Ram Singh, resident of village Choura, District Gurdaspur, Punjab at present Rajbagh Kathua, Rashpal Singh, the then Patwari, Patwar Halqa Balwal, Hans Raj, the then Girdawar circle Balwal, Ferooz Khan, the then Tehsildar Balwal, Mangat Singh, son of Atter Singh, resident of Near Janta Flour Mill Gangyal, Jammu, Kulwant Singh, son of Faqeer Singh, resident of Suhawada, Darap, Sehora Tehsil Bishnah, Jammu, and Sham Singh, the then Naib Tehsildar Balwal and others.

Ex-Sr. Asst...

under Section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 at Police Station ACB Srinagar Kashmir against accused Fayaz-ud-din Shora, then Naazir (Sr. Assistant), Tehsil Office Khag, Budgam, in a bribery case before the Court of Addl. Special Anti-Corruption Judge Srinagar," an ACB official said.

"The FIR was registered on August 3, 2023 on a written complaint alleging that the accused demanded Rs 2000 as bribe for listing his under-trial property dispute case before the Executive Magistrate 1st Class, Khag," the official said and added, "A trap was laid and the accused was caught red-handed while accepting Rs 2000 as bribe from the complainant.

"The bribe money was recovered on the spot, and chemical tests later confirmed the presence of phenolphthalein on the accused's hands," official said.

Based on the facts and circumstances together with cogent evidence brought on record, the official said, the investigation established the commission of the offence under Section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 against the accused public servant namely Fayaz-ud-din Shora, then Naazir (Sr. Assistant), Tehsil Office Khag, Budgam.

After obtaining the requisite sanction for prosecution from the Govt. the chargesheet was produced before the Court of Additional Special Anti-Corruption Judge Srinagar, today on 12th August 2025 for Judicial determination, official said adding that the next date of hearing has been fixed on September 24, 2025.

Court orders FIR...

the court cited the Supreme Court's rulings in Lalita Kumari and Khurshed Ahmad Chohan, which mandate immediate FIR registration in cognizable offences.

The court directed immediate registered FIR under the Bharatiya Nyay Sanhita, 2023, and NDPS Act and further directed for formation of SIT with officers of integrity, aided by CMO, District TB Officer, and Drugs Control Officer. A caution to erring officers to handle serious offences with urgency. The SSP and SHO Udhampur must submit a compliance report within a week.

SUV returning after...

vehicle was returning after dropping the actor at the airport for his departure to Mumbai, traffic police stopped it at Dogra Chowk for violating traffic rules.

"The vehicle has been seized as it has fully black-tinted glasses," Assistant Sub-Inspector of Traffic Police Nasir Hussain said. The case has gone to the court of the Additional Mobile Magistrate, Traffic Court, Jammu.

Jambu Lochan Boys Hostel sensitizes boarders on Anti-Ragging , affirms zero tolerance

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Jambu Lochan Boys Hostel, University of Jammu, organized a crucial sensitization program on Anti-Ragging, specifically welcoming and addressing the concerns of its newly admitted boarders.

The event featured esteemed speakers Dr. Gazala Noor, a legal researcher, and Anirudh Raina, Lecturer at SHTM, University of Jammu.

Dr. Satyapriya Arya, Warden of the hostel, inaugurated the session by warmly welcoming the speakers and boarders, with a special emphasis on ensuring a smooth transition for new boarders.

Dr. Gazala Noor provided vital insights into the serious legal implications of ragging. She emphasized, "Ragging is not merely misconduct; it is

a serious criminal offense with severe long-term consequences for both victims and perpetrators. Understanding its legal aspects is fundamental to its prevention and ensuring the safety of all students, especially newcomers."

Anirudh Raina focused on the human impact, urging students, "As members of this academic community, it's essential to recognize the profound negative impact ragging has on mental health and overall well-being. Let's consciously foster a culture of empathy, kindness, and mutual respect, making our hostel a true home away from home for everyone, particularly our new peers."

The informative session concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Nitan Sharma, Resident Warden.

Crucially, the program highlighted the support mecha-

nisms available to students. All attendees were reminded of the 24x7 National Anti-Ragging Helpline (1800-180-5522) and strongly encouraged to report any incidents immediately. They were also informed about the University's internal grievance redressal procedures and committees dedicated to addressing such complaints swiftly and confidentially, including the University's own Anti-Ragging Committee and relevant UGC/State Higher Education mechanisms.

The entire program was conducted under the supervision of Provost Boys Hostel Prof. Lalit Sen Sharma, reinforcing the University unwavering commitment to providing a secure, supportive, and ragging-free environment conducive to learning and personal growth for all its stakeholders.

Raids conducted against rotten, adulterated meat in Srinagar

STATE TIMES NEWS

SRINAGAR: Authorities conducted raids at multiple locations in the city here on Tuesday as part of a crackdown on rotten and adulterated meat in the Kashmir valley.

"In a joint operation, the Srinagar Police and the Food Safety Department conducted raids at multiple locations across the city, targeting vendors suspected of selling unhygienic and expired meat products," a police spokesperson said.

He said during the operation, substantial quantities of rotten meat were seized and destroyed on the spot under the relevant sections of the Food Safety and Standards Act.

In one such action, the Srinagar Police, in collaboration with officials of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), raided a cold-storage unit in Parimpora, where rotten meat was stored. The meat and the cold-storage were seized under the relevant provisions of the Food Safety and Standards Act, the police spokesperson said.

He said the action was part of an intensified drive to safeguard public health and ensure strict adherence to food-safety standards.

Similarly, the spokesperson said acting on credible inputs received at the Zakooria police station, authorities identified Abdul Hameed Kuchay, a resident of Soura and the operator of Sunshine Foods located at Zakooria, as a key suspect.

"He is alleged to be involved in a criminal conspiracy with Arif Ahmad Shah, a resident of Baghat Barzulla, to supply decomposed meat unfit for consumption in large quantities to restaurants and hotels across Srinagar," the police spokesperson said.

This deliberate act of distributing rotten meat poses a serious threat to public health and constitutes a grave offence under applicable laws, he said, adding that a case has been registered under sections 271, 275 and 61(1) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) and further investigation is underway.

Soldier dies in accidental firing

STATE TIMES NEWS

BHADARWAH/JAMMU: An army personnel lost his life when his service rifle accidentally went off inside a camp in Doda district, officials said on Tuesday.

Sepoy Suresh Biswal was on guard duty when his colleagues heard a gunfire from his post at Sarna camp in Bhaderwah on Monday, the officials said.

They said the soldier was found in a pool of blood and was rushed to a hospital where he was declared dead.

Superintendent of police, Bhaderwah, Vinod Sharma said preliminary investigation suggested that the soldier, a resident of Odisha, lost his life due to accidental discharge while he was unloading the chamber of his service rifle.

He said inquest proceedings are underway to ascertain the exact cause of his death.

Heavy rains lash Jammu region, some schools shut

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Heavy rains lashed various districts of Jammu region, triggering flash floods that damaged two structures and led to the closure of some inter-district roads, officials said on Tuesday.

Authorities in Rajouri, Reasi, and Poonch districts have ordered the closure of all schools in view of the heavy rains and adverse weather conditions.

Significant rainfall was recorded between 0830 hours on Monday and 0630 hours on Tuesday, Met department officials said, adding Reasi recorded 280.5 mm rainfall, followed by Kathua with 148 mm, and 96 mm each in Samba and Jammu districts.

It triggered flash floods, landslides, and

mudslides in various places, the officials said, adding no casualties have been recorded.

Part of a high school in Surankote area of Poonch district was severely damaged after a flash flood struck during the intervening night of August 11 and 12, they said.

The flash flood swept away a 200-foot-long shed adjacent to the high school and a sports room, destroying all records and sports items. However, no loss of life or injuries was reported in this incident, they added.

A cowshed collapsed in Jaglanoo village in Rajouri district, causing loss of property and livestock, they said.

The heavy rainfall since Monday night has caused multiple road blockages across Rajouri district, disrupting vehicular movement in several areas.

In Reasi, a landslide at Kandamohr in Tehsil Pouni this morning blocked the road. The work to clear the blockade is underway to make the road trafficable, they added.

In Rajouri district, the Kotranka-Khawas road has been closed at Kanja, while the Rajouri-Thanamandi-Surankote road remains shut following a landslide between DKG and Buiyaz.

The Ghambir Mughlan-Thanamandi road is also blocked at several points, including Bhattian Morh and adjoining stretches, due to debris.

The Jammu-Srinagar highway also experienced traffic jams at Jagti when the road was flooded, causing disruption to traffic.

Continuous rainfall since Monday night has led to a rise in water levels of rivers and streams in Jammu and Kashmir.

Authorities have issued an alert, urging people to stay away from water bodies.

The Chenab River in Reasi was flowing at a high level and washed away a crucial road patch at Gupt Kashii in Reasi.

The MeT department has forecast rain and thunderstorms across many parts of the Jammu division from Aug 12-15, with chances of heavy showers at some places. Residents have been advised to stay alert and follow weather advisories, the MeT department said.

The MeT had issued a red warning for Udhampur, Reasi, Jammu, Samba, and Kathua districts, predicting thunderstorms, lightning, maximum surface wind speeds greater than 60 kmph in gusts, and heavy rain above 15 mm/h.

GRP Jammu seizes Rs. 4 lakhs worth banned drugs; 2 arrested

STATE TIMES NEWS

KATHUA: The Govt Railway Police (GRP) Jammu has recovered and seized Heroine (Chitta) like substance from the possession of accused Abhishek Sharma, S/O Anil Sharma, resident of Ward No. 6, Main Bazaar, Kathua & Bobby Chauhan, S/O Balbir Singh, resident of Ward No. 12, Kathua worth market price Rs. 4,00,000/-

Accordingly, FIR No. 06/2025 under sections 8/21/22 of the NDPS Act has been registered at Police Station GRP Kathua and investigation initiated. This is the 23rd case of narcotics drug registered in GRP Jammu. This is the 23rd narcotics case registered under GRP Jammu jurisdiction in the last 14 months.

12 tourists injured in road accident

STATE TIMES NEWS

RAMBAN/JAMMU: At least 12 tourists from Uttar Pradesh were injured when their vehicle overturned on the roadside in Ramban district on Tuesday, officials said.

The tourists were heading for Kashmir in a tempo traveller after visiting Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine at Katra in Reasi district.

The accident occurred at Dalwas along the Jammu-Srinagar national highway, the officials said. They said all the injured persons were evacuated to a hospital by rescuers, and their condition is said to be stable.

GDC Bhadarwah organises Tiranga rally

STATE TIMES NEWS

BHADARWAH: As part of the 79th Independence Day celebrations, a vibrant Tiranga Rally was organised today at Government Degree College (GDC) Bhaderwah under the aegis of the NCC Unit, 10 JK Battalion NCC Bhaderwah.

The rally witnessed enthusiastic participation from NCC cadets, NSS volunteers, college students, and faculty members, all united in their shared spirit of patriotism and national pride. The event aimed to promote awareness about the national flag and instill a sense of unity and civic responsibility among the youth.

The rally commenced from the college ground and passed

through key areas, culminating at the bus stand of Bhaderwah. Participants carried the national tricolour, along with banners and placards, and raised patriotic slogans throughout the march, drawing attention and admiration from local residents.



In total, 70 NCC cadets participated in the rally, while the overall strength of participants was approximately 250, reflecting the strong commitment of the college community towards national celebrations.

The rally was effectively organised and led by NCC cadets and students, who played a key role in managing the marching columns. The overall coordination and execution of the event were overseen by ANO NCC Lt. (Dr.) Rajni Kumari and Lt. (Dr.) Bharat Singh.

Traffic Police NHW organises Tiranga Rally

STATE TIMES NEWS

RAMBAN: In a remarkable display of patriotism and civic awareness, Traffic Police NHW Ramban on Tuesday organised an impressive Tiranga Rally under Har Ghar Tiranga campaign.

The rally was organised under the supervision of SSP Traffic NHW Ramban, Raja Adil Hamid.

The rally, which commenced from Dak Bungalow Ramban and culminated at Usman Hotel, was led by SSP Traffic NHW Ramban, Raja Adil Hamid along with DySP Traffic Ramban Sajad Khan, DTH Ramban Inspector Anil Jad, and their team.

A significant highlight of the rally was the participation of around 140-150 students from Bhartiya Vidya Mandir High School Ramban, who enthusiastically carried the



Tiranga and marched with pride and discipline.

At the conclusion of the rally, SSP Traffic Raja Adil Hamid addressed the gathering and conveyed an important message on traffic awareness, urging students and citizens alike to follow road safety rules and be responsible commuters.

Govt introduces bill to amend insolvency law in LS

STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Tuesday introduced a bill in the Lok Sabha to amend the insolvency law. After the introduction, the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Bill, 2025 was referred to a select committee of the House following a request from the minister. The insolvency law is being implemented by the Corporate Affairs Ministry, which is also helmed by Sitharaman. The Code, introduced in 2016, has undergone six legislative interventions since its enactment and the last amendment was made in 2021.

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SpiceJet	11:10 AM - 12:00 PM
Air India Express	12:50 PM - 1:40 PM
Air India Express	1:35 PM - 2:45 PM
IndiGo	1:55 PM - 2:35 PM
IndiGo	6:40 PM - 7:20 PM
Srinagar to Jammu	
IndiGo	11:45 AM - 12:35 PM
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SpiceJet	12:35 PM - 1:30 PM
Air India Express	2:20 PM - 3:35 PM
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Arrival	: 11:15 at New Delhi
12426 Jammu Tawi - New Delhi Rajdhani Express	
Departure	: 21:25 from Jammu Tawi
Arrival	: 05:55 at New Delhi
12446 Uttar Sampark Kranti Express	
Departure	: 21:50 from Jammu Tawi
Arrival	: 06:55 at New Delhi
Train 26401 - Katra to Srinagar (Morning Service)	
Departure	: 8:10 AM from Katra
Arrival	: 11:10 AM at Srinagar
Intermediate Stop	: Banihal at 9:58 AM
Fare:	
Chair Car (CC): 715	
Executive Chair Car (EC): 1,320	
Booking: Available on IRCTC	
Train 26403 - Katra to Srinagar (Afternoon Service)	
Departure	: 2:00 PM from Katra
Arrival	: 05:00 PM at Srinagar
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Chair Car (CC): 660	
Executive Chair Car (EC): 1,270	
Booking: Available on IRCTC	

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PVR KC JAMMU	02:30 PM / 11:20 PM
DHADAK 2 (HINDI)	
WAVE ONE MOVIE JAMMU	1:30 PM
MAHAVATAR NARSIMHA HINDI	
PVR KC JAMMU	10:00 AM / 04:00 PM / 09:40 PM
SON OF SARDAR 2 (HINDI)	
WAVE ONE MOVIE JAMMU	10:00 AM / 4:30 PM / 10:30 PM
PVR KC JAMMU	12:50 PM
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