Strong voices unite at AIIMS Jammu to address **UU** violence against healthcare workers

Jammu Veterans defeats Kashmir Veterans by 22 runs

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PM's words of praise boosts local hero Mohsin Ali who set Dal Lake ablaze during KIWSF

CM visits Ramban, Udhampur; inspects restoration of Jammu-Srinagar NH

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Meets affected people, assures immediate relief, rehabilitation, support



CM Omar Abdullah overseeing restoration works on Jmu-Sgr National Highway at Ramban.

STATE TIMES NEWS

RAMBAN/UDHAMPUR: Minister Omar Abdullah on Sunday carried out an extensive tour of Ramban and Udhampur districts to assess the widespread devastation caused by recent cloudbursts, flash floods, landslides and mudslides, which have severely disrupted life and damaged Jammu-Srinagar

National Highway (NH-44). At Maroge in Ramban, the Chief Minister inspected the

severely damaged stretch of NH-44 and directed the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), BEACON and other executing agencies to restore this vital road link on a war foot-

He emphasized that the immediate priority must be to ensure smooth movement of traffic and uninterrupted supply of essentials to the Kashmir Valley.

Reviewing relief and rehabilitation efforts in Rajgarh,

which was hit by a devastating cloudburst, the Chief Minister assured the affected families that adequate assistance will be provided under the State Disaster Relief Fund (SDRF)..

He directed officials to ensure timely support for those in distress, while the Commissioner Deputy Ramban, Mohammad Alyas Khan, informed CM that immediate financial aid from the District Red Cross Fund has already been disbursed.

Abdullah also took stock of the availability of essential commodities, healthcare facilities, and critical services across the district. He instructed the administration to maintain availability of food supplies, clean drinking water, electricity, and medical care.

The Chief Minister was accompanied at Ramban by MLA Ramban Arjun Singh Raju, SSP Ramban Arun Gupta, ADC Varunjeet Singh Charak, and senior officers of NHAI, BEACON the District Administration

He assured the people of Ramban that Government is committed to expediting restoration works and extending full support to the affected families.

Later, the Chief Minister visited the damaged portions of NH-44 at Bali Nallah

Schools to remain shut across Jammu today

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: All government and private schools will remain closed across Jammu on Monday, the Directorate of School Education said, citing incessant rain and landslides that lashed the hilly areas of the division.

The schools in the region remained closed this week as a precautionary measure amid weather advisories. "Keeping in view the

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Eight men saved from drowning in **Chenab** river STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Eight people were rescued from drowning in Chenab river in a three-hour joint operation in Doda district early Sunday, police officials said.

The rescue operation by the police and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) teams was launched around midnight after one of the trapped civilians made a distress call to the Assar

Amit Shah reaches Jammu to assess flood situation

Air surcharge 50 paisa for Leh



Union Home Minister Amit Shah being welcomed at Jammu Airport on Sunday evening

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Sunday evening reached in Jammu to assess the situation in the aftermath of the heavy rain and flash floods in Jammu and Kashmir that left a trail of death and destruction.

Shah landed at the Jammu

airport and was received by Lt Governor Manoj Sinha and Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, among others. He then headed to the Raj Bhawan, officials said.

Shah is scheduled to chair a high-level meeting at the Raj Bhawan on Monday to review relief measures, they

He is also likely to conduct an aerial survey of the floodhit areas, including Katra, where 34 pilgrims died and 20 were injured when a land. slide hit the old route to the Mata Vaishno Devi shrine on August 26, and the cloudburst-hit Chisoti village in Kishtwar.

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3 special trains left Jammu with over 1500 stranded passengers; 54 trains cancelled

STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The Northern Railways on Sunday operated three special trains from Jammu station, carrying over 1.500 stranded passengers to their onward destinations, as usual rail traffic remained suspended for the sixth day in the region.

The Northern Railways also announced the cancellation of 54 incoming and outgoing trains from Jammu and Katra stations on

The Kolkata-bound special train carried about 450-500 passengers from Jammu at 2 pm. Similarly, the Chennaibound departed at 4 pm with over 400 passengers and the third one headed to Delhi at

BSF DG visits flood-affected areas along Indo-Pak

STATE TIMES NEWS JAMMU: BSF Director General Daljit Singh Chawdhary commenced his two-day tour of the Jammu frontier on Sunday by inspecting the flood-affected areas along the International

border in Jammu sector

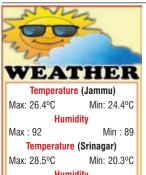
Border in Samba district, an On his arrival at the Border Security Force's (BSF) Jammu frontier headquarters. Chawdhary received by Additional Khandare. Director General, Western Command, and Shashank

Anand, BSF Inspector

General, Jammu frontier.

Soon after his arrival, the Director General inspected the flood-affected areas in Samba along the Jammu International Border, reviewed the extent of damage, and supervised the ongoing restoration efforts, the BSF said in a post on X. Chawdhary also reviewed the prevailing security situation on

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Sunset: 18:57 Hours

Sunrise: 06:05 Hours

Max: 77

Min: 46

6 pm with 600-650 passengers on board, officials said.

The Railway Police and civil administration have established a dedicated help desk at Jammu railway station to assist passengers who The Northern Railway's

Jammu Division have released the list of the cancelled trains. Due to misalignment and breaches at multiple locations, rail traffic between Kathua Udhampur has been suspended, resulting in the cancellation of trains. However, the train service on the Katra-Srinagar-Katra track is operational, the official said. Scores of people,

STATE TIMES NEWS

NEW DELHI: The govern-

ment has constituted Inter-

Ministerial Central Teams

(IMCTs) for Himachal

Punjab and Jammu and

Kashmir to assess the dam-

age caused by heavy rainfall,

floods, flash floods, cloud-

bursts and landslides, offi-

The IMCTs would make on-

the-spot assessment of the

situation and relief works

being carried out by the state

The Ministry of Home

Affairs constituted the

IMCTs on the direction of

Union Home Minister Amit

Uttarakhand,

Pradesh,

cials said.

Govt forms central teams to assess flood damages

PM Modi, Prez Xi pledge to boost trade ties Express commitment to fair, reasonable resolution of boundary issue

STATE TIMES NEWS

TIANJIN (CHINA): Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Xi Jinping on Sunday agreed to work towards a "fair, reasonable and mutually acceptable" solution to the India-China border issue and pledged to expand trade and investment ties recognising the role of the two economies to stabilise global trade.

In their wide-ranging talks, the two leaders largely focused on boosting trade and investment ties, a move that came against the backdrop of disruptions in global trade triggered by US President Donald Trump's sweeping tariffs including a whomping 50 per cent on

in HP, J&K, Punjab and Uttarakhand

Shah, an official statement

Under Prime Minister

Narendra Modi, the Central

government stands shoulder

to shoulder with the states

affected by natural calami-

ties in mitigating the hard-

ships faced by the people, it

Early next week, the

Central teams will visit the

flood/landslide-affected dis-

tricts of Himachal Pradesh,

Uttarakhand Punjah and

Jammu and Kashmir, which

have been severely affected

by heavy to extremely heavy

rainfall and incidents of flash

flood, cloudburst and land-

slide during the current mon-

said.

said.



HC assigns Additional Charge of

Bandipora Court to Munsiff Gurez

JAMMU: In an administra-

tive decision aimed at ensur-

ing uninterrupted judicial

functioning, the High Court

of Jammu and Kashmir and

Ladakh has assigned the

additional charge of the Court

of Munsiff/Additional Special

Bandipora, to Munsiff,

Gurez. As per the order issued

by Registrar General of the

High Court. Munsiff of Gurez

has been directed to hold

Court at Bandipora for three

days a week. To streamline

judicial operations at both

stations, the Principal

District and Sessions Judge,

Bandipora, has been entrust-

ed with formulating mode and

manner of functioning.

Magistrate,

STATE TIMES NEWS

Indian goods.

In the meeting held on the margins of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit, PM Modi underlined the importance of peace and tranquility on the border areas for the continued development of India-China ties and said that New Delhi is committed to the relations advancing based on "mutual trust, respect, and sensitivity".

The two leaders vowed to expand bilateral trade and investment ties, reduce trade deficit and agreed to expand common ground on bilateral. regional, and global issues and challenges like terrorism and fair trade in

HC issues notices to 23 accused for encroaching historic stream The court directed that the SRINAGAR: The Jammu & encroachers be served notice

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

Kashmir and Ladakh High Court has issued notices to 23 people accused of encroaching 'Shah Kul', a historic stream that served as the primary water source for the famous Mughal-era Nishat Garden. While hearing a Public

Interest Litigation (PIL) demanding the removal of illegal encroachments on the canal, a division bench comprising Chief Justice Arun Palli and Justice Rajnesh Oswal instructed the authorities to submit within two days full details of other encroachers listed in their supplementary compliance

commissioner. The counsel appearing for the government undertook to facilitate the process to ensure that all of the encroachers are served before the adjourned date. The court ordered that the interim direction, if any,

through the Srinagar deputy

passed in the PIL shall continue till the next date. The PIL filed in 2023

seeks the court's intervention for the removal of all illegal encroachments and restoration of the original status of the historical canal that used to be the main source of water for the Nishat Garden since the time of the

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Ex-SHO gets life imprisonment for facilitating 2003 Kupwara fidayeen attack

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STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: In a landmark ruling, the High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh has sentenced a former police officer to life imprisonment for his role in facilitating a deadly fidayeen (suicide) attack in

Kupwara in May 2003, wherein two CRPF personnel were martyred and several injured.

A Division Bench comprising Justice Sanjeev Kumar and Justice Sanjay Parihar, while allowing the State's appeal, overturned the 2011 acquittal granted by the Sessions Court, Kupwara,

SHO of Police Station Sogam, Gh. Rasool Wani, had conspired with a Pakistani terrorist to unleash terror in the heart of Kupwara town.

On May 12, 2003, panic

Two CRPF personnel were martyred; 6 injured

gripped Kupwara town when 43 rounds, and four hand a fidayeen, dressed in police uniform, opened indiscriminate fire near the State Bank

of India branch. The terrorist, later identified as Mohd. Ibrahim alias Khalil-Ullah, a Jaish-e-Mohammad fidayeen from

tyred and six others injured including police and paramilitary personnel. The terrorist was neutralized in the encounter. An AK-56 rifle, six magazines,

Constable B. Prashad and

Constable B. Ramaiah of

113 Battalion were mar-

Muzaffargarh,

Two CRPF

grenades were recovered from his custody. Investigations revealed that the fidayeen had not acted

alone. Evidence showed that the fidaveen had been ferried from Sogam to Kupwara

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Modi-Xi meeting in China, bilateral relations set to move past conflicts

JAMMU: Prime Minister Narendra Modi's first-ever visit to China in seven years and his meeting with President Xi Jinping has rest the relations between the two Asian giants, which promise to change the shape of their bilateral relations and that of the rest of the vorld as well.

One of the most striking points that emerged after the meeting of the two leaders representing 2.8 billion people, was that they committed not to see each other as rivals but the ones who would adhere to the principles of mutual respect, m trust and sensitivity. This is reaffirmation of the good relations the two countries seek through bilateral engage-

Both India and China realize the fact that they are most populous countries of the world sitting adjacent to each other, and their relations need not be seen through the third country prism. That is very important declaration of sorts as both the countries have been unfairly targeted by the US administration under President Donald Trump.

Prime Minister Modi in his remarks, after his hour-long meeting with President Xi, gave a pointed account of the areas that can serve as spring board for their mutual cooperation and the role they can play in getting the things right. It is very important in the times when the world is riddled with so many conflicts, prominent

being the Russian-Ukraine War, which is more than three and a half year old and nearly two-year -old Israel- Palestine con-



An IMCT and a multi-sec-

toral team have already visit-

ed Himachal Pradesh, the

The Central teams led by a

joint secretary-level officer in

the home ministry/National

Authority (NDMA) comprise

senior officials from the min-

istries/departments of expen-

diture, agriculture and farm-

ers' welfare, Jal Shakti,

power, road transport and

highways, and rural develop-

The Ministry of Home

Affairs (MHA) is in touch

ment, the statement said.

with senior officials

Management

statement said.

The two leaders were also clear that the pending border issue will not be allowed to cloud progress in the bilateral relations. There is the boundary issue that has plagued the relations between two countries. Despite this, boundary agreements will not impede the work that the two leaders proposed to carry forward.

The statement issued by Ministry of

External Affairs on the outcome of the allimportant meeting promises lot of hope. It stated that both leaders welcomed the positive momentum and steady progress in bilateral relations since their last meeting in Kazan in October 2024. They reaffirmed that the two countries were development partners and not rivals, and that their differences should not turn into disputes. A stable relationship and cooperation between India and NEWS ANALYSIS China and their 2.8 billion peoples on

the basis of mutual respect, mutual interest and mutual sensitivity are necessary for the growth and development of the two countries as well as for a multi-polar and a multi-polar Asia benefitting the trends of the 21st centu-

Prime Minister Modi, the statement said, underlined the importance of peace and tranquility in the border areas for continued development of bilateral relations. Modi and XI also noted with satisfaction the successful disengagement last year and the mainte-

der areas since then. "They also expressed commitment to a fair, reasonable, and mutually acceptable resolution of the boundary question proceeding from the political perspective of their overall bilateral relations and the long-term interests of the two peoples. They recognized the important decisions taken by the two Special Representatives in their talks earlier this month, and agreed to further support their efforts."

This offers a deep dive into the course of the relations between the two countries would take in future. That means that all the boundary disputes, which had emerged during the course of high-tension at Line of Actual Control in eastern Ladakh would be put to rest. The issue of the LAC and its demarcation will be taken in a fair manner in which the militaries and diplomats will be

In short, it can be concluded that Indo-China relations are set to move to the next

Two terrorists held with weapons **STATE TIMES NEWS** POONCH: Police have arrested two terrorists with weapons in border district of

Poonch, officials said on Sunday. Tariq Sheikh of Azamabad and Riyaz Ahmad of Chamber village were taken into custody during a raid, they said, adding that two

assault rifles and some ammunition were recovered at their disclosure. Police raided the house of Sheikh at Azamabad and arrested him along with his

associate, Ahmad. After questioning the duo, the police team raided the rented accommodation of Sheikh at Jallian village and seized the weapons, the officials said.