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LG holds UHQ...

continuous improvement and to proactively adapt to evolving threats.

The Lieutenant Governor called for 'Whole of Government Approach' for effectively tackling radicalization and drug menace.

CM inaugurates 3rd...

demonstration by athletes enthralled the audience.

Minister for Youth Services and Sports Satish Sharma, MLA Lal Chowk Sheikh Ahsan Ahmed (Pardesi), Secretary J&K Sports Council Nuzhat Gul, besides coaches, officials, and athletes from participating countries were present at the opening ceremony.

NIA attaches immovable...

Pakistan-based terror outfit Hizbul Mujahideen's member Syed Naveed Mushtaq, Mir, was chargesheeted before the NIA court in October 2024.

"Today's property attachment was part of NIA's ongoing action against terror networks operating in Kashmir with the aim of disrupting India's peace, stability and harmony," the statement said.

Two Punjab residents...

arrested at Battal Chowk near Majalta along Jammu-Srinagar national highway. Police recovered more than six kilograms of poppy straw from his truck during checking, he said.

He said police also recovered five-and-a-half kilograms of poppy straw from another truck driven by Harpreet Singh of Hoshiarpur who was also arrested on-the-spot.

Both the arrested peddlers were booked under Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, the spokesperson said.

ACB files chargesheet...

our commitment to uphold transparency and accountability in public office, and to act against misuse of authority in land allotments." The Court has scheduled the next hearing in this matter on 15th December 2025.

MiG-21 flies...

Chauhan, Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi, Army chief General Upendra Dwivedi, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) Chairman Samir V Kamat, many former IAF chiefs, and serving and retired senior Army officers were among those present on the occasion.

There has been no fighter jet in the history of global military aviation made in such big numbers, the defence minister said during his address to the gathering. More than 11,500 MiG 21 aircraft were made. Of them, 850 fighter jets remained part of the IAF, he added.

"This number is the testimony of this aircraft's popularity, credibility and multi-dimensional capability," Singh said while pointing out that its contribution was not limited to one incident or a war.

He also recalled its role in the 1971 war with Pakistan, the 1999 Kargil conflict as well as the 2019 Balakot air strikes.

Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, India's first man on the International Space Station, former IAF chiefs A Y Tipnis, S P Tyagi and B S Dhanoa, scores of veterans, many who piloted the aircraft, were present on the occasion.

Shukla, who flew MiG-21 in the past, said he felt excited yet nostalgic to be part of the ceremony, saying the jet has been a big part of his life.

Air Chief Marshal A P Singh flew a sortie of the MiG-21 Bison aircraft with call sign Badal 3. Dilbagh Singh, who became the IAF chief in 1981, led the first MiG-21 Squadron here in 1963.

Among the pilots to fly the MiG-21 on Friday was Squadron Leader Priya Sharma, leaving her name in the annals of aviation history as the last woman fighter pilot to have flown the aircraft one final time.

The culmination of MiG-21 operations took place with a ceremonial flypast and decommissioning event, marking the closure of a historic chapter in India's air power.

The country's first supersonic fighter and interceptor aircraft were retired in Chandigarh, where it was first inducted more than six decades ago.

The grand ceremony featured a series of aerial displays, including a skydiving demonstration by Akash Ganga, formation take-offs by MiG-21s, the Badal and Panther formations, precision drill movements by the air warrior drill team, Surya Kiran aerobatic team and a symbolic flypast showcasing Jaguars and MiG-21s in a recreation of Combat Air Patrol.

A joint MiG-21 and LCA Tejas flypast highlighted the transition from the legendary Bison to the indigenous Tejas.

The ceremony began with the arrival of the defence minister, the chief guest for the occasion, which was followed by a spectacular display by IAF's elite skydiving team 'Akash Ganga' that skydived from a height of 8,000 feet.

This was followed by a majestic flypast of the MiG-21 aircraft accompanied by precision of the air warrior drill team and an aerial salute.

MiG-21 jets belonging to Squadron No. 23 took part in the flypast ceremony, and were given a water cannon salute.

A ceremonial switch-off of six MiG-21 aircraft in front of the dignitaries marked the culmination of the aircraft's operational service.

The aircraft document - Form-700 - was handed over to the Chief of Air Staff by officers and airmen of Squadron No. 23 and the commanding officer of Squadron No. 28.

Marking the occasion, the defence minister released a special commemorative day cover and stamp honouring the legacy of the MiG-21.

He also made a visit to the Memory Lane museum, followed by lunch with air warriors and veterans.

After its first induction, the IAF procured over 870 MiG-21s to boost its overall combat prowess.

The aircraft also had a troubled safety record and was involved in multiple crashes in the last six decades. The ageing fleet prompted some to describe the aircraft as "legacy coffins".

The MiG-21 jets made their last operational flights at the Nal Air Force Station in Rajasthan's Bikaner, a month ahead of the formal retirement ceremony on Friday.

As part of the symbolic farewell, Air Chief Marshal Singh had also flown solo sorties of MiG-21 from Nal on August 18-19. Friday's gathering also witnessed the participation of IAF veterans, engineers, technicians, ground crew and air warriors who served with the MiG-21 over its long operational life.

2 drug peddlers...

a suspicious vehicle, a spokesman said. He said 55.5 kilograms of poppy straw concealed in four bags was allegedly recovered on a thorough search of the vehicle.

The driver of the vehicle, identified as Muzaffar Ahmad Bhat, resident of Doonipora Bijbehara, Sangam Anantnag, was arrested on the spot, the spokesman said, adding the vehicle was also seized.

In Shopian, acting on a specific input, a police team intercepted a suspicious person identified as Imtiyaz Ahmad Dar, a resident of Darbagh Wachi, the spokesman said. During search, 2.4 kg of charas sticks were allegedly recovered from his possession, the spokesman said.

Cases have been registered and investigations into both the cases have been taken up to trace the source of the contraband, identify its intended destination, and expose the wider nexus of drug traffickers involved in the illegal trade, the spokesman added.

CS reviews progress...

portal. He further highlighted that the platform has been integrated with Digilocker, e-Abgari, Auto-Appeal, e-Unnat, and UMANG, NGDRS to enhance transparency, accountability, and user convenience.

Secretary IT, Dr. Piyush Singla, apprised the Chief Secretary that the portal has successfully migrated to the State Data Centre (SDC) and will be made fully functional and live shortly as the mandatory security audit has been completed. He also shared a roadmap for transitioning the portal into a total faceless system, including the development of revised workflows with departments to enable desk-wise monitoring of applications.

It was informed that these measures will significantly strengthen the ease of doing business framework in J&K by establishing an efficient, corruption-free, and technology-driven mechanism for service delivery across departments.

Sonam Wangchuk arrested...

allegations. "To say it was instigated by me is to find a scapegoat rather than addressing the core of the problem and this will lead us nowhere," Wangchuk said on Thursday, adding that the violence was an indication that youngsters in the region were frustrated.

The arrest came a day after the Union home ministry cancelled the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA) licence of the Students' Educational and Cultural Movement of Ladakh (SECMOL), an organisation founded by Wangchuk, citing alleged financial discrepancies and a fund transfer deemed to be against "national interest".

4,679 mobile 4G...

BSNL (Bhopal circle) said.

These towers, powered by solar energy, mark a historic step towards green telecom infrastructure, said the release.

Aligned with the PM's vision of self-reliance, BSNL's indigenous 4G technology has been fully developed in India by C-DOT (core), Tejas Networks (radio access), and TCS (system integration). The network is software-upgradable to 5G, ensuring future readiness, it added.

The inauguration of BSNL's indigenous 4G network stack will mark India's entry into a coveted league of nations such as Denmark, Sweden, South Korea, and China that produce and manufacture homegrown telecom equipment.

RBI streamlines norms...

Deceased Customers of Banks) Directions, 2025' revised instructions will be implemented as expeditiously as possible, but not later than March 31, 2026.

The directions are related to the settlement of claims in the deposit accounts of a deceased customer, safe deposit locker and articles in safe custody by the deceased customer.

A deposit account where a depositor had made a nomination or where the account was opened with a survivorship clause, the payment of the outstanding balance upon the death of the depositor(s) to the nominee(s)/ survivor(s) shall be considered a valid discharge of a bank's liability, the RBI said.

In cases where accounts are without a nominee/survivorship clause, banks have been asked to adopt a simplified procedure for settlement of claims in cases where the aggregate amount payable is less than the threshold limit.

Threshold limit means Rs 5 lakh in case of a co-operative bank and Rs 15 lakh in case of any other bank or such higher limit as may be fixed by the bank, including a co-operative bank.

In cases where the amount is above the threshold limit, the bank may ask for additional documents like a succession certificate or a legal heir certificate.

The RBI's latest directions also prescribe norms for the settlement of claims not falling under the simplified procedure.

It also details norms to be followed for the settlement of claims in a safe deposit locker and articles in safe custody by a deceased customer.

On the time limit for settlement of claims, the RBI said a bank shall settle a claim in respect of deposit accounts of a deceased customer within a period not exceeding 15 calendar days from the date of receipt of all the required documents associated with the claim.

"In case of safe deposit locker/ articles in safe custody, the bank shall, within 15

calendar days of receipt of all the required documents, process the claim and communicate with the claimant(s) for fixing the date for making inventory of the locker/articles in safe custody," the central bank said.

Sundarkand Path organised at Chenab textile mills

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

KATHUA: Chenab Textile Mills, Kathua, witnessed a spiritually uplifting event with the organisation of a

grand Sundarkand Path under the guidance and leadership of Upendra Patnayak, Executive President of Chenab Textile Mills and Manoj Jha Vice President of the CTM.

The Path was recited by Ajay Yagnik .The devotional program was organised with the objective of spreading positivity, harmony, and collective well-being among the employees, their families, and the local community. The sacred recital of Sundarkand from the Ramcharitmanas drew enthusiastic participation from devotees, creating an atmosphere of divine energy and devotion.

In the gathering MLA Kathua Dr. Bharat Bhushan, MLA Hiranagar Vijay Sharma, DDC Vice President Raghunandan Singh, ADDC Kathua Surender Mohan Sharma, Vishavjeet Singh ADC Kathua, Shobhit Saxena SSP Kathua, DSP HQ. Ravinder Singh and worthy senior citizens of kathua Dr. Dushyant Ubbott, Darshan Singh Sambyal, Ajay Sharma, Dr. A.K Gupta, Dr. Hardev Gupta, Bishan Bharti were also present there.

Addressing the gathering, Upendra Patnayak emphasized the importance of spiritual values in daily life. He highlighted how such events not only strengthen cultural roots but also nurture a sense of unity and inner peace among people.

The event concluded with an aarti and distribution of prasad to all present there. Employees and their families expressed heartfelt gratitude to the management of Chenab Textile Mills for organising such a spiritually enriching occasion.

Bakshi Nagar & Janipur Police achieve major milestones: 8 Narcotics destruction orders, 5 community punishment orders, thief nabbed

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: The City West Police Subdivision, under the leadership of SDPO City West, Dr Satish Bhardwaj, has achieved several notable milestones, reflecting their dedication and professionalism in serving the public.

After the hectic efforts of SHO Janipur Insp Vikram Sharma and SHO Bakshi Nagar Insp Arun Sharma and their teams, the Court has issued destruction orders for narcotics seized in cases registered at Police Stations Bakshi Nagar and Janipur under Section 52A of the NDPS Act. Four orders have been received by each police station, ensuring the disposal of seized narcotics in accordance with the law.

Beside this Police Station Janipur received five community punishment orders from the Court for accused persons found creating public nuisance under the influence of intoxicants. The court has directed these individuals to render community service at Sarwal Hospital from 10 AM to 12 PM, promoting rehabilitation and community service.

Police Station Bakshi Nagar successfully apprehended a thief who stole a motorcycle from the Bakshi Nagar area in 2024. Despite evading arrest for over a year, the accused was finally caught due to the tireless efforts of SHO Bakshi Nagar, and the stolen motorcycle was recovered.

These achievements in one single day demonstrates the City West Police Subdivision's commitment to maintaining law and order, ensuring public safety, and providing effective service to the community. The subdivision's dedication to upholding justice and promoting rehabilitation is evident in their efforts. The City West Jammu Police Subdivision's achievements are a testament to their professionalism and commitment to public service.

3 bovine smuggling attempts foiled; 13 bovines rescued, 3 arrested

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

UDHAMPUR: Police team of PS Ramnagar intercepted a load carrier JK14L-3572. The driver fled away after leaving

his vehicle while co-driver Sanjeev Singh @ Kaka S/o Thakur Das R/o Bari was apprehended. 07 bovine animals were rescued. Case FIR No. 146/2025 U/S 223 BNS, 325 BNS, 11 PCA Act registered at PS Ramnagar.

During naka checking at Motor Shed NHW, a Tata Mobile JK02BB-3061 was abandoned by its driver and 02 bovines were found loaded cruelly. Case FIR No. 93/2025 U/S 223 BNS, 11 PCA Act registered at PS Chenani.

On reliable input, case FIR No. 344/2025 U/S 223(a) BNS, 11 PCA Act was registered against Anil Kumar and Joginder Kumar for transporting 04 bovines illegally in Auto (Load Carrier) JK14H-8234 from Ghordi towards Kashmirat Jakhani naka point, Udhampur. Further investigations of the cases are underway.

Crackdown on illegal mining: 6 vehicles seized

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

JAMMU: Continuing its special drive against illegal mining, Jammu Police seized six vehicles involved in the transportation of illegally mined material in the jurisdiction of Police Station Jhajjar Kotli and Police Post Sidhra of Rural Zone Jammu. Details of the seized vehicles include Dumper JK02 CR 8221 loaded with sand; Tipper JK14B 8692 - loaded with sand; Tractor (Chassis No. MBNCA49AJRTF20034) loaded with sand; Tractor (Chassis No. IVY5105DTPJ045201) - loaded with sand; Tractor (Chassis No. WSTG30428103997) - loaded with stone and Tractor (Engine No. PY3029D755409) - loaded with stone.

All the above-mentioned vehicles were found engaged in illegal mining activities, thereby violating the provisions of mining laws.

Missing woman traced, reunited with family

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

BISHNAH: Police Station Bishnah traced a missing lady(name withheld) due to swift and resolute action.Following a written application from a person from Jammu, reporting the missing of his wife, a few days back, immediate steps were taken.

Under the leadership of SHO Police Station Bishnah,Inspector Rakesh Singh, a special team was constituted to handle the case with urgency. Leveraging technical assistance and coordinated efforts, the team successfully located and traced missing lady.This swift action demonstrated the commitment Jammu Police to public safety and efficient response to missing person cases.

Public intoxication offender sentenced to community service

■ STATE TIMES NEWS

KHOUR: In a landmark judgment, the Court of JMIC Akhnoor sentenced Sohan Lal S/O Darshan Lal R/O Patyari (Pahariwala) Tehsil Khour District Jammu to seven days of community service for public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

The incident took place on 24-09-2025 under the jurisdiction of Police Station Khour where the accused was found in an intoxicated state causing a public disturbance. He was arrested, medically examined, and produced before the Court.

Exercising powers under Section 355 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS),the Hon'ble Court directed the convict to perform community cleaning work at Munsiff Court Complex, Akhnoor from 25-09-2025 to 30-09-2025.

16 quintals adulterated Paneer seized

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SAMBA: Samba Police has seized approximately 16 quintals adulterated paneer from 02 passenger buses in the jurisdiction of Police Station Samba.

Acting on specific information, a team of Police Station Samba laid a naka near SIDCO Chowk Samba and intercepted two passenger buses bearing registration No. AR01V-3149 & No. AR20B-8880. During checking, approximately 10 quintals of paneer was recovered from bus No. AR01V-3149 whereas approximately 06 quintals of paneer was recovered from bus No. AR20B-8880. The buses were moving from Amritsar to Jammu and Delhi to Katra. Police has seized both the vehicles on the spot. Accordingly, the matter was taken up with the Food Safety Department who have conducted on spot sampling and found that the recovered Paneer was adulterated with Vanaspati oil in deteriorated condition and unfit for human consumption.

TRAVEL TIME!

Jammu to Srinagar	
IndiGo	10:05 AM - 10:45 AM
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
Air India Express	12:10 PM - 1:05 PM
SpiceJet	12:35 PM - 1:30 PM
Air India Express	2:20 PM - 3:35 PM
IndiGo	3:15 PM - 4:05 PM
IndiGo	5:20 PM - 6:10 PM

FIND TRAIN SCHEDULE

11078 Jhelum Express
Departure : 23:35 from Jammu Tawi
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
Fare:
Chair Car (CC): 660
Executive Chair Car (EC): 1,270
Booking: Available on IRCTC

FIND CINEMA

SHIN CHAN: THE SPICY KASUKABE DANCERS IN INDIA
PVR KC JAMMU 09:20AM / 8:20PM

JOLLY LLB 3 (HINDI)
WAVE ONE MOVIE JAMMU 10:00 AM / 1:10 PM / 3:45 PM / 4:20 PM / 7:30 PM / 10:15 PM / 10:45 PM
PVR KC JAMMU 9:55 AM / 04:25 PM / 7:40 PM / 10:55 PM

CHALO BULAAVA AAYA HAI- (PUNJABI)
WAVE ONE MOVIE JAMMU 2:30 PM
PVR KC JAMMU 11:40 AM

ONE BATTLE AFTER ANOTHER
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