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BRIEFLY

Head Constable killed in Doda road accident

SRINAGAR, Jun 10 (Agencies): A head constable of Jammu and Kashmir Police lost his life in a road accident in Doda district. A police official told Srinagar based news agency Kashmir Scroll that on Sunday evening around 10.30 PM an s-presso car bearing registration no. JK06-8742 coming from Jammu towards Doda, met with an accident near Assar and rolled down about 800-900 meter from highway.

He said that Ram Raj son of Amar Chand resident of Paryote Doda who was head constable in J&K Police died in the accident.

He said that after getting information volunteers of Al-Khair Organisation and J&K Police rushed to the spot and started searching of missing persons, however after three hours of search operation a body was found stuck on sloppy rock, around 2.30 am rescue operation was called off due to high risk for rescuers at that time.

He added that today morning at 5.30 am the rescue operation was restarted and the body was rescued after a successful operation conducted by Volunteers of Al-Khair Organisation, Police and SDRF Doda.

Meanwhile police have taken cognizance and started investigation.

Punjab man dies, several others injured in Sonamarg road accident

SRINAGAR, Jun 10 (Agencies): A man from Punjab lost his life while several others were injured in the road accident in Sonamarg area of central Kashmir's Ganderbal district on Monday.

An official told news agency Kashmir Scroll that a vehicle bearing registration no PB01A-4898 was going from Sonamarg towards Kargil with six passengers (one lady 02 children 03 men and driver) on board, that skidded off the road near Sarbal.

In the incident one

Lt Governor visited hospitals to enquire about health of pilgrims, who were injured in Reasi terror attack

Top News Report

JAMMU/ KATRA, Jun 10: Lieutenant Governor Shri Manoj Sinha today met the pilgrims injured in the Reasi Terror Attack who are undergoing treatment at Government Medical College, Jammu and Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Superspeciality Hospital, Katra.

The Lieutenant Governor posted on X:

"Met the injured pilgrims at Government Medical College, Jammu & Narayana Hospital, Katra and wished them a speedy recovery. The entire nation stands firmly with the families



of martyred pilgrims in this hour of grief".

The team of doctors briefed the Lt Governor on the health condition of the injured and the medical facilities being

extended to them.

The Lt Governor is closely monitoring the situation. He has directed the District and Hospital Administration for ensuring the best pos-

sible medical care and all necessary assistance to the affected families.

Earlier, the Lt Governor had approved an ex-gratia of Rs.10 lakh

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Chemist found dead with his throat slit in Kathua

KATHUA/JAMMU, Jun 10 (Agencies): A 35-year-old chemist was found dead with his throat slit open near his house in Jammu and Kashmir's Kathua district, officials said on Monday.

Amarjit Sharma's murder sparked protests by his grieving relatives and neighbours, who demanded immediate arrest of the unidentified culprits, they said.

Sharma was found dead outside his house in Mela village by his family late Sunday night after they started searching for him when he did not return home.

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Delhi Court fixes June 18 for Engineer Rashid's interim bail plea to take Oath as MP



NEW DELHI, Jun 10 (Agencies): A Delhi court has fixed June 18 to hear arguments on an application filed by Engineer Rashid, arrested in a 2016 Jammu and Kashmir terror funding case, seeking interim bail to take oath as an MP after the recently concluded general elections.

Sheikh Abdul Rashid, popularly known as Engineer Rashid, defeated J-K former Chief Minister Omar Abdullah from the Baramulla constituency in the 2024 Lok Sabha polls. Rashid contested as an Independent candidate to defeat the National Conference (NC) vice president. He is also a former

MLA of the Union Territory.

Additional Sessions Judge Chander Jit Singh fixed the matter for June 18 after the NIA sought time to file reply to Rashid's application.

The NIA further submitted on June 7 that the notification for the oath of newly elected members of Parliament of Lok Sabha was not published yet.

The Judge adjourned the matter, adding that if the notification for the ceremony comes before the next date, the accused may move the court with a plea to expedite the matter.

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Rajasthan Police arrests additional SP's husband in 2021 SI recruitment paper leak case

JAIPUR, Jun 10 (Agencies): The Rajasthan Police's special operations group has arrested the husband of an additional superintendent of police in connection with the 2021 sub-inspector recruitment paper leak case, officials said on Monday.

Tulsaram Kaler (57),

a former sub-inspector of police whose service was terminated in 1993, was arrested from the Jaisinghpura area here on Sunday, they said.

"The accused is a kingpin in facilitating unfair means in various recruitment exams, including the sub-inspector

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Reasi Terror Attack | NIA team reaches J&K, to coordinate with local Police

NEW DELHI, Jun 10 (Agencies): An NIA team has reached Jammu and Kashmir's Reasi district and is coordinating with local police probing into the terror attack on a passenger bus that left nine people dead and several injured, officials said on Monday.

Meanwhile, security forces have also

launched a massive cordon and search operation to track down the terrorists responsible for the attack.

A National Investigation Agency (NIA) team has reached Reasi and is coordinating with the local police probing into the attack, the officials said.

Terrorists opened

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At least two 'Terrorists' involved in Reasi attack: SSP Mohita Sharma



REASI, Jun 10 (Agencies): After around nine pilgrims were killed in a terror attack in Reasi district on Sunday, Jammu and Kashmir police on Monday said

that at least two 'terrorists' were involved in the attack.

"As per eyewitnesses, two (terrorists) were there as of now. A combing operation is

underway in the area. Five teams have been formed to search in the area," Reasi Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Mohita Sharma said.

Detailing about the attack incident that took place at around 06.10 pm on Sunday, the SSP Sharma said that the militants fired upon the bus yesterday. "Nine people are reportedly feared dead and 33 were injured and are being treated in different

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Antim Ardas is on 14th June, Zoom Meeting invite details will be shared on below numbers:
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Grief Stricken
Mrs. Paramjeet Kaur - Wife
Jasmine & Ashpinder Sehgal - Daughter & Son-in-law
Prabhjot & Parabjit Kaur - Son & Daughter-in-law
Arvinder & Randeep Singh - Daughter & Son-in-law
Tejinder Singh, Sukhdev Singh, Late Mohinder Singh - Brothers
Iqbal Kaur & Late S. Gurbachan Singh - Sister & Brother-in-law
Mannat, Benali, Jivan, Gurtej, Manjeet and Karnar - Grandchildren

GURDEV SINGH
OCTOBER 29, 1942 - JUNE 07, 2024



TENTH DAY / KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform that our beloved **Sh. Sudesh Kumar Gupta** S/o Late Sh Neel Kanth Gupta R/o Gupta Street Main Bazar Ramban has left for his heavenly abode on 1st of June 2024. May his soul rest in peace.

10th Day will be performed on Monday, 10th of June 2024 at 11:00 AM at Community Hall near Raghunath Temple Ramban.

Kriya will be performed on Thursday, 13th of June 2024 from 12 Noon onwards at our residence.

GRIEF STRICKEN
Smt. Vijay Rani - Wife
Mr. Sanjeev Gupta & Mrs. Sarika Gupta (Son & Daughter in Law)
Mrs. Archana Gupta & Mr. Sanjay Gupta (Daughter & Son in Law)
Smt. Lalita Gupta W/o Late Sh Krishan Lal Gupta (Sister)
Sh. Vijay Kumar Gupta & Smt. Mohini Gupta (Brother & Bhabhi)
Grand Children (Vansh, Dhriti, Ribhav)

SH. SUDESH KUMAR GUPTA



MASVAR/VAHARVAR


TODAY MARKS A YEAR SINCE YOU LEFT US, MAAM, YOUR LOVE AND PRESENCE ARE DEEPLY MISSED EACH PASSING DAY. ON THIS SOLEMN ANNIVERSARY, WE PAY TRIBUTE TO THE AMAZING WOMEN WHO WAS NOT ONLY OUR MOM BUT A SOURCE OF LOVE, STRENGTH AND INSPIRATION. YOUR MEMORY IS A BLESSING THAT LIVES ON IN OUR HEARTS.

THE MASVAR AND VAHARVAR OF OUR BELOVED MOTHER LATE SMT. KOUSHALYA DEVI W/O LATE MOHAN LAL PANDITA OF COIL PULWAMA WILL BE HELD AT H.NO.89 LANE 2/D SECTOR-01 DURGA NAGAR JAMMU ON 10TH & 11TH JUNE 2024 RESPECTIVELY.

DEEPLY REMEMBERED BY:-
PURNIMA AND SHIBAN JI PANDITA
KORNIJAND DALEEP JI PANDITA
AND SAMAST PANDITA PARIVAR
DAUGHTERS AND SON-IN-LAW
REETA KULI W/O LATE ASHOK JI KOLA
VEENA ANKONA W/O JI ANKON
SEEMA SARAF & ASHOK JI SARAF
SUNITA RAJIA & PRAN NATH RAJIA
ANITA PANDITA & NISER JI PANDITA

LATE SMT. KOUSHALYA DEVI

GRAND CHILDREN:
VIJAY, SHRI,
SHIVAM AND CHANDAN




OBITUARY & 10TH DAY

With profound grief & sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved **Sh. Bansil Lal Raina** S/o Sh. J.L. Raina of Bhalga Barzulla Srinagar, Kmt. at present 19/A Ext. Lane Two Block-B, Roop Nagar Enclave Jammu on 06th June 2024.

Tenth Day will be performed on 15th June, Saturday at 8:30 PM at Muthi Ghat, Jammu.

GRIEF STRICKEN
Usha Raina - Wife
Ashok Raina & Kalpana - Brother & Bhabhi
Kehal Badam W/o Lt. Y.L. Badam - Sister
Virinder & Kiran - Son & Daughter-in-law (941920787)
Manju & K.L. Dhar - Daughter & Son-in-law
Sunita Bhat W/o Lt. Sh. Surinder Bhat - Daughter
Anupama & Vishal Dhar - Daughter & Son-in-law
Grand Children - Sagar Bhat, Tanviya & Roshanika
Tushar Raina, Akshat & Anshita

Sh. Bansil Lal Raina



10TH DAY/KRIYA/RASAM PAGRI

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved **Smt. Indra Kumari** W/o Late Sh. Krishan Gopal. The **10th Day** will take place on 6/16/2024 (Thursday) at Mahajan Hall from 10 A.M. to 11 A.M.

KRIYA will be performed at our residence H.No.36, New Kaibeth Nagar, Upper Gumat, Jammu at 12 Noon.

Rasam Pagri will be performed at Mahajan Hall from 5 P.M. to 6 P.M. on 15/06/24

Deeply Remembered By:
Rajkumari W/o Late Sh Satpal Gupta
Kanta Gupta W/o Late Sh Ramesh Chandra Gupta
Son and Daughter in law
Rajinder Gupta and Palak Gupta
Sunil Gupta and Rashmi Gupta
Vinod Gupta and Bhavna Gupta
Daughter and Son-in-law
Neebam Mahajan and Sudesthan Mahajan
Sunita Gupta and Late Sh Anil Gupta
Lovely Gupta and Rajinder Gupta
Arvi Gupta and Sangeev Gupta
Rajni Charak (Director of NHM) and Parveen Charak
Shashi Gupta and Narendra Gupta
Sushma Gupta and Tilak Raj Gupta

M/s Mahadev Agencies Upper Gumat
M/s Tanishq Enterprises
M/s Satpal Vinod Gupta
Mob. 94191-91756, 94191-87338, 94191-91083

Smt. Indra Kumari



BARKHI

In the Loving Memory of
Late Shri Yoginder Singh
(21-Sep-1935 to 24-May-2023)
R/O, Slatia Chowk, Udhampur.
At Present, E-415, Sainik Colony, Jammu.


One year has passed since you left us for heavenly abode but you are remembered each passing minute of our lives. Your values enlightened us through the years. Your soul of compassion still lives on with us.

BARKHI shall be performed at our residence E/415, Sainik Colony, Jammu on 11th June, 2024 at 12:00 Noon.

DEEPLY REMEMBERED BY
Smt. Shakuntla Jamwal (Wife)
(Daughter in Law & Son)
Vidhi & Capt. Ashutosh Jamwal.
(Daughters & Sons in Law)
Kiran & ENG. S.D Pathania
Rakhee & Col. M. S Dadwal

Late Shri Yoginder Singh
(21-Sep-1935 to 24-May-2023)

ENTIRE JAMWAL & SLATHIA FAMILY BEARS & DEARS.
9419157109, 9622957109,
9541452134



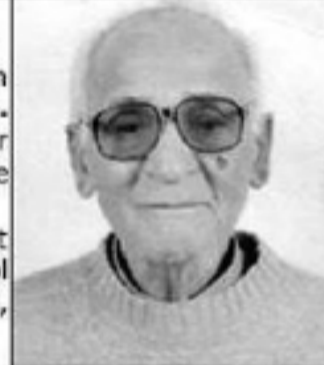
TENTH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved father **Sh. Narotam Nath Mattu** (Retd. Literary Editor JKBOSE), R/o 669 A, PHE lane, Opposite Krishna Building, New Plot Jammu.

The **Tenth Day Kriya** will be performed at Muthi Ghaat, Near Directorate of School Education Office on 11th of June 2024, Tuesday at 9:00 A.M.

Grief Stricken:
Smt. Chander Mattu (Daughter-in-law)
Sh. Davinder Mattu (Son)
(Daughter & Son-in-law)
Smt. Surja Razdan & Sh Bansil Razdan
Sh. J.N. Mattu (Son)
Sh. Rajesh Mattu & Smt. Vijay Mattu (Son & Daughter-in-law)
Sh. Lalit Mattu & Smt. Sushma Mattu (Son & Daughter-in-law)
Grandchildren: Monia, Supriya, Harsha, Nimish & Sameeksha

Sh. Narotam Nath Mattu
(Retd. Literary Editor JKBOSE)




TENTH DAY

With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of our beloved Mother **Smt. Vaishno Devi** W/o Late. Sh. Dhian Singh Charak residence of Village Takar (Sarore), Tehsil - Bishnah District- Jammu expired on 03rd June 2024 .

TENTH DAY will be performed on 12th June 2024 (Wednesday) at 11:00 AM at our residence.

GRIEF STRICKEN :-
Sh. Sham Singh Charak (Son)
Mob:-9419114793
Sh. Kehar Singh (Son)
Mob:-9419125364

SMT. VAISHNO DEVI



Tenth Day /Kriya

With extreme sadness and heavy hearts we inform you about the sad demise of our beloved **Late Sh. Satish Kumar** S/o Late Sh. Krishan Chand Gupta who unexpectedly left us on 1st of June 2024.

Tenth Day will be performed on 10th of June, 2024 (Monday) at Shiv Mandir Housing Colony Udhampur at 11:00 a.m.

Kriya will be performed on 13th of June, 2024 (Thursday) at Davika Ghat Udhampur.

GRIEF STRICKEN:-
Smt. Veena Kumar (Wife)
Suryanah Vaid (Son)
Manvi Vaid (Daughter)
Smt. Chanchala Devi and Madan Lal (Uncle and Aunt)
Brothers and Bhabhis:-
Smt. Pushpa Devi and Late Sh. Vijay Kumar
Smt. Sunita Devi and Sh. Pritam Lal Gupta
Smt. Santosh Gupta and Sh. Om Parkash Gupta (Om)
Smt. Rekha Rani and Sh. Ashok Kumar Gupta
Contact No. :- 9697561254, 9906247393, 9419796252

Late Sh. Satish Kumar




CHOUBARSI

Life & time moves but your sweet memories are like treasure to us. You are always in our heart. Four years have passed since you left us for your heavenly abode.

CHOUBARSI of our beloved **Smt. Sudershan Bhalla** shall be performed at our residence H.No. 36, Mohalla Panditan, Poonch on 11-06-2024 as per following programme
10/06/2024 Shri Geeta Path from 8 AM to 2 PM.
11.06.2024 - ChoubarSI at 12:00 Noon.

DEEPLY MISSED & REMEMBERED BY:
Dr Anil Bhalla & Vatsala - Son & Daughter-in-law
Ajay Bhalla & Suman -do-
Mrs Madhu & Er. Vinay Malhotra - Daughter & Son-in-law
Mrs Manju & Dr. Naresh Chopra -do-
& ALL GRAND CHILDREN
Phone : 9419200840, 9419105875
BK BHIM SAIN BANSI LAL BHALLA, POONCH

Smt. Sudershan Bhalla
W/o Lt. Sh. Bansil Lal Bhalla (Poonch)




10TH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved **Nirmala Dhar** W/o Sh Kuldeep Kumar Dhar on 03.06.24 R/o 92/B Tirath Nagar Talab Tiloo Jammu.

10TH DAY KRIYA will be held at Muthi Ghat on 12.06.24 (Wednesday) at 8.30AM.

GRIEF STRICKEN :
Sh Kuldeep Kumar Dhar (Husband)
Lt Sh Surinder Dhar & Smt Sunita Dhar (Brother & Bhabhi)
Smt Asha & Sh Ajay Punjabi (Sister & Brother -in-law)
Daughters & Son-in-laws
Mrs Amrita & Mr Nitin Mattoo
Mrs Urvashi & Mr Akshay Koul
Grand Children
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Nirmala Dhar



BHOG & ANTIM ARDAS

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved **S. Santokh Singh** S/o Late S. Dhanwant Singh, R/O Chatha Mill (Opp. CRPF Gate), Jammu, on 04/06/2024.

Asarabh Shri Akhand Path Sahib will be performed on 10-06-2024 (Monday) at 08:30 AM at their Residence.

Bhog Shri Akhand Path Sahib will be performed on 12-06-2024 (Wednesday) at 09:00 AM at their Residence.

ANTIM ARDAS will be performed at Gurdwara Singh Sabha, Chatha Mill, Jammu, on 12-06-2024 (Wednesday) from 05:00 PM to 06:00 PM.

GRIEF STRICKEN
Sdn. Naninder Kour (Mother)
Sdn. Bhavneet Kour (Wife)
Sdn. Swaranjeet Kour & S. Parkash Singh (Sister & Brother-in-Law)

S. SANTOKH SINGH



TENTH DAY/KRIYA KARAM


With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved **Sh. Ram Chand** S/o Nikka Ram R/o Daskal who left for heavenly abode on (Sunday) 02-06-2024.

TENTH DAY will be performed on (Tuesday) 11-06-2024 at Amar Banquet Hall, Daskal Akhnoor.

SATSANG at 12:00 PM.

GRIEF STRICKEN
Wife- Smt. Krishana Devi
Sons & Daughter-in-laws
Sh. Pritam Chand & Smt. Pinki Devi
Sh. Ashok Kumar & Smt. Asha Devi
Sh. Vijay Kumar & Smt. Santosh Devi
Son-in-law & Daughter
Sh. Krishan Lal & Smt. Rekha Devi
CONTACT NO: 9906108347, 9419125719, 8082854868

1944-2024
LATE SH. RAM CHAND
(Ex. Naib Subedar Retd)



OBITUARY


With profound grief & sorrow we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved **(Sh. Kanaya Lal Pandita)** S/o Lt. Sh. Neel Kant Pandita original resident of village Shergund, Anantnag Kashmir, A/P Block No 89, Flat No. 06, Lane No. 18, Jagti, Nagrota, Jammu on 02/06/2024.

Mourning will be held at community hall, back side of Lane no. 17, Jagti Township, Nagrota, Jammu.

10th Day Kriya will be held at Muthi Ghat on 11th June 2024 (Tuesday) at 8,00 AM.

GRIEF STRICKEN
Smt & Sh. Bansil Lal Pandita (Brother and Bhabhi)
Smt & Sh. Haxday Nath Pandita (Brother and Bhabhi)
Smt & Sh. Jatin Pandita (S/o Lt. Sh. Somnath Pandita) (Sister and Brother-in-law)
Lt. Smt. Prabha & Sh. Janki Nath Raina
Smt & Sh. Ashwani Pandita (Son)
Smt & Sh. Rajeev Koul (Daughter)
Smt & Sh. Vikas Koul (Daughter) and Samaast Parivar
Contact No:
9018091811, 8219494492, 8899524869, 7006014143

Sh. Kanaya Lal Pandita



TENTH DAY/KIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved **Smt Raj Rani Gupta** W/o Lt. Sh. Ramesh Chander Gupta R/o 349, Shakti Nagar, Jammu, departed heavenly abode on 30 May 2024.

Tenth Day: 08 June 2024 (Saturday) at Om Palace, Shakti Nagar, Jammu at 11.00 am.

Kriya: 12, June, 2024 (Tuesday) at our residence at 12.00 Noon.

GRIEF STRICKEN
Brother-in-law & Sister-in-law
Sh. Sukhesh Gupta & Smt. Tripta Gupta
Sh. Pawan Gupta & Smt. Neera Gupta
Sister-in-law & Brother-in-law
Smt. Kamlesh Gupta & Late Sh. Rattan Lal Gupta
Smt. Tripta Gupta & Late Sh. Jagdish Raj Gupta
Smt. Sunita Gupta & Late Sh. Ashok Jandiyal
Smt. Rajni Gupta & Sh. Koushal Manjara
Sons & Daughter-in-law
Sh. Neeraj Gupta (Son) & Smt. Seema Gupta
Sh. Raman Gupta & Smt. Neera Gupta
Sh. Shakti Gupta & Smt. Reena Gupta
Sh. Akash Gupta & Smt. Mohini Gupta
Sh. Chandan Gupta & Smt. Anchal Gupta
Sh. Yashu Gupta

Smt Raj Rani Gupta
W/o Lt. Sh. Ramesh Chander Gupta

Grand Children:
Shivam Gupta, Manvi, Bhavya,
Anchal, Manvi, Yamini, Hanyu,
Adithyan, Trayalsh
M/s Neeraj Gupta Govt. Contractor.
Mob.No. 9419199857



10TH DAY, 13TH DAY, KIRYA, RASAM PAGRI/UTHALA

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved **Sh Darshan Kumar (Telecom Overseer)** H/o Smt Sita Rani R/o House No. M-172, Street No. 17, Rajpura, Jammu who expired on 3-6-2024.

Tenth Day will be performed at our residence M-172, Street No.2, Rajpura, Jammu on 09-06-2024 at 10 am.

13th Day/Kirya will be performed on 12-06-2024 (Wednesday) 11 am at our residence M-172 Street No.17 Rajpura, Jammu.

Rasam Pagri/Uthala will take place on 12-06-2024 (Wednesday) at 2 pm to 3 pm at Om Palace near Jagat Resort Shiv Nagar, Jammu.

GRIEF STRICKEN
Daughter-in-law & Sons
Smt. Rekha Rani & Sh. Anil Kumar (Dov) -9796000805
Smt. Meena & Sh. Danesh Kumar -9622072300
Smt. Tara Devi W/o Lt. Sh. Dev Raj -Bhabhi & Brother
Smt. Usha W/o Sh. Ender Kumar -Bhabhi & Brother
Grand Daughter & Son-in-law
Kritika & Prince
Ritika & Mehak -Grand Daughters
Prisha -Great Grand Daughter

Sh Darshan Kumar




TENTH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform that our beloved **Sh. Vijender Wanchoo** breathed his last on 6th June 2024 at his residence B 72, Kendriya Vihar, Sector 14, Panchkula, Haryana.

The **TENTH DAY KRIYA** will be held at 6 am. on Saturday the 15th June 2024 at Gaggar River Ghat, Near Sector 21, Panchkula, Haryana .

GRIEF STRICKEN
Rajni Wanchoo -Wife
Sameer Wanchoo -Son
Usha Kak -Sister-in-law
Kameshwar & Santosh Wanchoo -Brother & Sister-in-law
Krishna & Dilip Kaul -Sister-in-law & Brother-in-law
Lalit & Neena Wanchoo -Brother & Sister-in-law
Surinder & Bija Mattoo -Brother-in-law & Sister-in-law
ALL DEAR AND NEAR ONES.
+919915560572 +919779439911, +919467862072

SH. VIJENDER WANCHOO



10TH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief & sorrow, we regret to inform the sad demise of our beloved **Mr. Vishal Kakroo** S/o Lt. Smt. Shama Rani Kakroo & Sh. Prithvi Nath Kakroo at present Block 161, Flat No.18, Jagti Migrant Colony.

10th Day Kriya will be performed at Nagrota Ghat, near Sainik School on 14-06-2024 at 8.00 am.

Grief Stricken
Smt. Shama Rani Kakroo -Mother
Smt. Simi & Raj Kr. Kakroo -Brother & Bhabhi
Smt. Sushma Kakroo -Wife
Ms. Mrinalini Kakroo -Daughter
Smt. Prana & Ashok Kr. Braroo -Sister & Brother-in-law
Smt. Kusum Lata & Sh. Selish Kaloo -Sister & Brother-in-law
Smt. Anjali & Ravinder Bhat -Sister & Brother-in-law
Ph.No. 7006117833, 7006465712

Mr. Vishal Kakroo



TENTH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief & sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved mother **Smt. Lalita** W/o Lt. Sh. Vasdev of Zainder Mohalla Habba Kadal Srinagar on 9/6/2024 (Sunday) presently at H.No. 35, Lakmi Puram Chhinore Jammu.

Tenth Day Kriya will be performed on 18/6/24 (Tuesday) at Muthi Ghat (Near Director Office) & Assembly will be at 9:00 AM.

GRIEF STRICKEN
Moti Lal Ji & Dulari Ji - Son & Daughter-in-law
Krishen Ji & Usha Ji - Son & Daughter-in-law
Ashok Ji & Arlie - Son & Daughter-in-law
Santosh & Kamal Ji - Daughter & Son-in-law
Phoolo & Pawan Ji - Daughter & Son-in-law
Suneeta & Dileep Ji - Daughter & Son-in-law
Veena & Vijesh Ji - Daughter & Son-in-law
All Grand Children Mob.: 9906309158

Smt. Lalita



TENTH DAY KRIYA

We inform with heavy hearts and teary eyes, our beloved **Sh. Radha Krishan Saproo**, son of Late Ram Chand Saproo, has embarked on his final journey at Chennai, (Tamil Nadu) on 4th June 2024. Born and raised in Bul Bul Lankar Srinagar, Kashmir and spent his recent years of Exile Life in Lower Roop Nagar, Jammu.

Tenth Day Kriya will be performed on 13th June 2024 at 7:30 AM at Chennai.

Sh. Radha Krishan Saproo

Grief Stricken:
Sh. Sumir Saproo and Smt. Rakha Saproo (Son and Daughter-in-Law)
Smt. Vijay Kumar Saproo and Sh. Opinder Krishan (Daughter and Son-in-Law)
Smt. Vimla Saproo Dhar and Sh. Sanjay Dhar (Daughter and Son-in-Law)
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AIIMS Jammu Hosts Diabetic Retinopathy Skill Transfer Workshop for Comprehensive Ophthalmologists

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JAMMU, June 10: All-India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Jammu organized a one-day workshop aimed at the transfer of skills in the management of Diabetic Retinopathy (DR) to comprehensive ophthalmologists.

The disease is one of the common entities causing severe vision loss, worldwide and is affecting a large population in our country, also. "Diabetic Retinopathy Skill Transfer Workshop" was organised under the aegis of the Vitreo-Retinal Society of India (VRSI). This prestigious workshop, the first of its kind hosted at Jammu, brought together eminent ophthalmic surgeons from across the Jammu province. The event was held at the Convention Center, AIIMS, Vijaypur, Jammu.

The workshop was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr) Shakti Kumar Gupta, Executive Director & CEO of AIIMS Jammu. In his welcome address, Prof. (Dr) Shakti Kumar Gupta emphasised about the expertise and skills required for the early diagnosis and manage-



ment of patients with DR.

Prof (Dr) Shakti Gupta also highlighted that AIIMS Jammu is committed to foster a culture of excellence, innovation, and inclusivity in Ophthalmology. The delegates were also addressed by Prof (Dr) Meeta Gupta, Dean Academics, AIIMS Jammu, and Lt. Col Prabhath Sharma, Deputy Director, AIIMS Jammu. An introductory address was made by Dr. Nitin Kumar, organizing secretary for the workshop. The resource faculty for the workshop were Dr. Manisha Agarwal from Shroff's Charity Eye Hospital, New Delhi, and Dr Padmaja K Rani from LV Prasad Eye Institute, Hyderabad. The Department of Ophthalmology at AIIMS Jammu welcomed all delegates, speakers, and participants with a goal aiming at academic excellence, learning, and professional growth

among young ophthalmic surgeons through knowledge exchange, collaboration, and innovation in Diabetic Retinopathy (DR).

The program was meticulously curated to address critical topics relevant to the management of Diabetic Retinopathy. Comprehensive sessions included pathophysiology and classification of DR, clinical examination techniques to identify signs of diabetic retinopathy, understanding the technique and interpretation of various imaging modalities for DR, learning the medical management strategies for diabetic retinopathy and diagnosing masquerades of diabetic retinopathy and diabetic macular edema.

Expert-led sessions provided evidence-based guidelines and best practices for managing DR, including investigations in DR, Proliferative Diabetic

Retinopathy management guidelines, lasers, intravitreal injections, and surgeries, complemented by case examples and exploring the co-management of cataract and diabetic retinopathy in patients. The prominent group of expert faculties included Prof Ashok Sharma, HOD Ophthalmology, GMC Jammu; Prof Renu Hashia Dhar, HOD Ophthalmology at ASCOMS Jammu; and Prof Sanjay Kai, from the Department of Ophthalmology, GMC Jammu. In a First, expert endocrinologists, Dr. Kushdev Jarial (AIIMS Jammu) and Dr. Atul Sharma (GMC Jammu) delivered talks in a special session highlighting the importance of systemic management of patients with DR. The organising team at AIIMS Jammu included Dr Bhavani Raina, organising chairman, while members included

Dr Nitin Kumar, Dr Nazia Anjum, Dr Ridham Nanda and Dr Asma Jabeen. The sessions equipped attendees with the knowledge and skills needed to deliver high-quality care to their patients. Participants were also engaged in a highly informative hands-on training session focused on intravitreal injections using a model eye. This practical exercise aimed to enhance the skills and confidence of attendees in administering these critical injections, which are essential for treating various retinal conditions.

The session offered an invaluable opportunity for medical professionals to practice and refine their techniques in a controlled and educational setting, ensuring improved patient outcomes and safety.

The workshop also facilitated networking opportunities, enabling participants to interact with faculty members and mentors, further enriching the learning experience.

The meeting ended with an address by Dr Bhavani Raina, who thanked all the participants and faculty for attending the workshop.

IIM Jammu inaugurates Second batch of Nurturing Future Leadership Program

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JAMMU, June 10: The Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Jammu on Monday inaugurated the second batch of Nurturing Future Leadership Program, Under the Aegis of, "The Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Programme" in an inaugural session held at its permanent campus in Jagti on 10th June 2024.

The leadership training program is one of the unique residential programs designed to develop the leadership skills of educators at different levels and create a pool of potential leaders for generational transition.

The program will be conducted by the faculty of IIM Jammu from June 10-14, 2024, with the aim of enabling institute administration to assess the leadership quality of their faculty members.

Prof. B. S. Sahay, the Director, IIM Jammu, presided over the inaugural ceremony. The second batch consisted of 29 participants from Institutes across India and is fully funded by Ministry of Education, Govt. of India.

Prof. Sahay addressed the participants, emphasizing the IIM Jammu's distinguished contribution as a premier management institution in the country. He encouraged active engagement in the program, fostering connections with fellow educators and IIM Jammu faculty, and reiterated their commitment to excellence and innovation in education. He remarked that the day marked a significant milestone in their jour-

ney towards educational excellence and leadership development. He mentioned that the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India embarked on a transformative initiative to cultivate academic leaders as catalysts for positive change.

He, during his address, highlighted the acute shortage of leadership in academia and reiterated that teaching is a noble profession with a significant impact on students' lives. He urged the participants to enjoy their stay, explore the state-of-the-art, "Nalanda" library at IIM Jammu, and wished them a pleasant stay on the campus.

The event commenced with the lighting of the lamp and a welcome address by Dr. Apurva, Program Director, IIM Jammu.

He extended a heartfelt welcome, highlighted the program's unique features and structure, and expressed his happiness at the launch of the Nurturing Future Leadership Program. He emphasized the program's essential role in developing the next generation of academic leaders. He mentioned that their goal is to equip faculty with the leadership skills they need to excel in their academic journey and create effective learning environments for their students.

The participants provided formal introductions, sharing details about themselves, their domains, and their respective institutes.

Dr. Ateeque Shaikh, Chairperson, Executive Education & Consult-

ing (EE&C), IIM Jammu shared the institute's unwavering commitment to delivering high-quality executive education by means of such leadership training and development programs.

He highlighted the program's features and IIM Jammu's role in creating educational leaders through such initiatives.

Present on the occasion were Dr. Kapil Manohar Ghumte, and Dr. Guanganang Kahmei, Program Directors, IIM Jammu.

The residential training program will be divided into four broad themes, such as leadership, communication, skill development, and recent government initiatives, and will feature four sessions each for the next five days.

These sessions will include lectures, interactive workshops, group discussions, case studies, role-plays, and practical exercises to ensure active engagement and application of concepts. Participants will also have the opportunity to network with prominent experts and IIM Jammu faculty.

The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Naveen Goyal, Program Director, IIM Jammu. Finally, the inaugural program culminated with the National Anthem, filling the room with a sense of unity and pride.

The participants also had the opportunity to visit the state-of-the-art library, Nalanda, at IIM Jammu, where they explored its extensive resources and innovative facilities.

Congress protests against terrorist attack on bus at Reasi Govt's claims don't match overall situation/ normalcy on ground: Bhalla

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JAMMU, June 10 : Congress on Monday held a strong protest against the rise of terrorist attacks in Jammu and Kashmir, especially in the areas which remains peaceful in the past.

JKPCC Working President Raman Bhalla accompanied by other senior leaders led a strong protest at Shaheed Chowk Jammu outside PCC HQ Jammu today. They were carrying play card in their hands amidst raising slogans like "Modi Ek Kaam Kro,Kursi Shodo Aaram Kro.", "Modi Sarkar Hai Hai", "Pakistan Murda Bad" etc. They strongly condemned the terrorist attack on a bus en-route Shiv Khori to Katra in Reasi Dist. which resulted into loss of 10 precious lives and injuries to a about 42 people, mostly from UP and Delhi.

Raman Bhalla said that the militancy has revived while BJP Govt. is making false claims.

The Govt. should take



concrete steps to control militancy and save innocents. He said that such inhuman acts affects the normal lives of those who have nothing to do with these issues. He expressed sympathies with the bereaved families and prayed for early recovery of the injured.

He further said that the abrupt rise in terrorist attacks in the state is the result of non-consistent defense policy of BJP led NDA government at the Centre. He pointed out that the present government in spite of making tall claims have failed to

deter terrorist attack from across the border. The present establishment must adopt a constructive, coherent and consistent policy for dealing with Pakistan.

Bhalla said the incidents of terror attacks continue and our army, security forces and police jawans are laying down their lives. It is not the number of terror incidents but the intensity of incidents and the new strategy/ dimension of resorting to selective and targeted killings including Kashmir pandits and minorities creating fear amongst minorities

and non local workers there, from other states.

Narinder Gupta, General Secretary(Org) has said that the militancy has revived in hitherto peaceful areas like Rajouri-Poonch, Reasi districts of Jammu , which were declared militancy free.

He criticized Modi led NDA which failed to protect the lives of innocents, especially the pilgrims of Baba Bholenath and Mata Vaishno Devi Ji. The LG administration should take effective steps to stop the reoccurrence of such attacks, he added.

Prominent who attended

include PCC Vice Presidents Yogesh Sawhney, Ved Mahajan, Vinod Sharma, Yash Pal Kundal, Hari Singh Chib, General Secretaries Narinder Gupta(Org), Taranjit Singh Tony, Satish Sharma,, Narinder Sharma, Shashi Sharma, Uday Banu Chib, Ajay Lakhotra, Zahida Khan (Intellectual Cell, Bhavishya Sudan (RTI) , PCC Secretaries Vijay Shastri, Sahil Sharma, Jatinder Singh Chib, Michael Wazir, Rajvir Singh, Dwarka Choudhary, Badri Nath Sharma, Sandeep Dogra, Ricky Dalotra, DCC Office bearers Satpal Sapolia, Ram Parkash Magotra, Varinder Manhas, Ram Magotra Dewan Chand, Ajay Kumar, Sikunder Khan, Latish Sharma, Nageshwar Narayan, Chander Shekhar, Azaib Motton, Sanjeev Kattal, Rakesh Sharma, Parshotam Mehra, Camres David Babloo, Raj Kumar Sodi, Mangat Ram, Chaman Lal, Dinesh Kalotra, Rajinder Singh Pinky, Nek Mohd and others.

Only Congress can fulfil aspirations of J&K people: Uday, Hari Singh

Ask party workers to gear-up for upcoming Assembly polls in J&K

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JAMMU, June 10: National General Secretary of Indian Youth Congress (IYC), Uday Bhanu Chib and Vice President of J&K Pradesh Congress Committee (JKPCC), Hari Singh Chib, have expressed their gratitude to the people for their overwhelming support in the recently concluded Lok Sabha elections at Nardani Raipur. The leaders asserted that only the Congress Party can meet the aspirations of the people of Jammu and Kashmir.

Addressing Congress workers at a meeting in Nardani Raipur, part of the Jammu North Assembly Segment, Uday Chib and Hari Singh Chib commended the local residents for giving the Con-



gress Party a lead from their polling booth. They urged continued support for the Congress Party in the upcoming Assembly elections.

"The trust and support shown by the people in the Lok Sabha polls have been a source of great encouragement. We believe that only the Congress Party has the vision and commitment

to address the needs and aspirations of the people of Jammu and Kashmir," Uday said.

Hari Singh Chib, in his address, "We are grateful to the people of Nardani for the confidence placed in us and assure them that we will work tirelessly to fulfill our promises and bring about the development and progress that Jammu and Kashmir

deserve."

Uday Chib and Hari Singh Chib thanked people of Nardani on behalf of Raman Bhalla for their support. They asked party workers to remain engaged with the people, address their issues, and prepare diligently for the upcoming Assembly elections in J&K. They called for unity and dedication among the

party workers to ensure a strong performance in the forthcoming Assembly elections. They emphasized that with continued public support, the Congress Party can bring about positive change and meet the expectations of the people.

The meeting was organized by Harbans Lal, Panch of the ward, along with other supporters. The leaders appreciated the efforts of the local Congress workers and leaders in mobilizing support for the party.

Among those present at the meeting were Kamal Singh, Prabhakar Shastri, Harbans Lal, Madan Singh, Surinder Kumar, Asha Ram, Jung Bahadur Singh, Kaka Ram, Tarun Vaid, Sunil Singh, Parshotam Singh, Jaswant Singh, and others.

Ayush Department organizes two mega Yoga sessions in Kishtwar



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KISHTWAR, June 10: Ayush Kishtwar in collaboration with District Administration organised two Mega Yoga Camps as per the guidelines from the Ministry of Ayush, Govt. of India for celebration of Yoga Mahotsava as a prelude to the International Yoga Day based on the theme 'Yoga for Women Empowerment' under the guidance of the Director of Ayush J&K Dr. Mohan Singh and Deputy Commissioner Kishtwar Dr. Devansh Yadav and supervision of District Nodal Offi-

cer Ayush Kishtwar Dr. Vikram Singh Jamwal.

One Mega Yoga Camp was organised at District Jail Kishtwar in coordination with the Police Administration where the police officials and prisoners participated in the Yoga Session.

During the event, various Yoga Asanas and Pranayamas related to health and hygiene were demonstrated to the participants. Around 60 participants participated in the Yoga Session.

Another Mega Yoga Camp was conducted at CRPF 52 Battalion Kishtwar in Coordination with Commandant CRPF

52 Battalion Kishtwar, Param Shivam. Various yoga poses were demonstrated to the participants in the Yoga Session. About 84 participants participated in the camp.

The arrangements for the successful yoga camps of Yoga Mahotsava were made by the team of Ayush Kishtwar including Dr. Joneed Iqbal, Dr. Atul Kumar, Dr. Musharaf Nabi, Dr. Monika Sharma, Dr. Sheetal Devi, Raj Kumar and others officials along with the management of CRPF 52 Battalion Kishtwar and Police Administration Kishtwar.

EDITORIAL

GREAT WINS

India's cricket victories over Pakistan have always been monumental, given the intense rivalry and historical context that surrounds matches between the two nations. The match was a defining moment, showcasing not only the cricketering prowess of the Indian team but also the high stakes and emotional fervor associated with India-Pakistan cricket encounters.

India and Pakistan have played numerous cricket matches across different formats—Test, One-Day Internationals (ODIs), and Twenty20 Internationals (T20Is).

India and Pakistan have played a total of 59 Test matches since their first encounter in 1952. The Test series between the two nations often attract massive attention due to the historic and political contexts surrounding the contests. Here are some notable Test series and matches:

1952-53: The first-ever Test series between India and Pakistan, held in India, where India won the series 2-1.

1986-87: The series in India known for its intense matches, including Sunil Gavaskar's memorable innings in the final Test at Bangalore.

1999: The famous series in India which included the iconic Chennai Test, where Sachin Tendulkar's century in the fourth innings almost led India to victory, but Pakistan managed to win by 12 runs.

One-Day Internationals (ODIs)
India and Pakistan have played 132 ODI matches. Some of the most memorable encounters have occurred during ICC tournaments.

Sharjah Matches (1980s-90s): Numerous encounters in Sharjah, UAE, during this period saw some thrilling contests, with Pakistan often dominating.

1996 World Cup Quarterfinal: Held in Bangalore, India won this high-stakes match with a memorable innings by Ajay Jadeja.

2003 World Cup: India chased down a challenging target of 274 with Sachin Tendulkar scoring an iconic 98 runs.

2004-05 ODI Series: During India's tour of Pakistan, the ODI series was highly competitive, with India winning 3-2.

2011 World Cup Semi-Final: India triumphed over Pakistan by 29 runs in Mohali, a match that was crucial in India's path to winning the World Cup.

Twenty20 Internationals (T20Is)
India and Pakistan have played 12 T20I matches, with India generally having the upper hand. Significant matches include:

2007 ICC World T20 Final: India won the inaugural World T20 by defeating Pakistan in a thrilling final in Johannesburg.

2016 ICC World T20: In Kolkata, India comfortably chased down a target set by Pakistan, with Virat Kohli playing a match-winning knock.

2021 T20 World Cup: Pakistan defeated India by 10 wickets, marking their first-ever World Cup victory over India in any format.

Asia Cup
India and Pakistan have faced each other multiple times in the Asia Cup, with memorable matches such as:

2010 Asia Cup: A thrilling encounter where Harbhajan Singh hit a last-over six to secure a win for India.

2018 Asia Cup: India defeated Pakistan convincingly in both group and Super Four stages. ICC Champions Trophy

2004 Champions Trophy: Pakistan defeated India in a group match.

2017 Champions Trophy Final: Pakistan won their first Champions Trophy title by defeating India in the final, with a dominant performance.

Key Takeaways
Rivalry Intensity: Matches between India and Pakistan are known for their intense atmosphere, both on and off the field.

Iconic Players: Several legendary players have made their mark in these encounters, including Sachin Tendulkar, Wasim Akram, Virat Kohli, and Shahid Afridi.

Memorable Moments: From Javed Miandad's last-ball six in Sharjah to the 2011 World Cup semi-final, these matches have provided cricket fans with countless unforgettable moments.

Despite political tensions affecting the frequency of bilateral series, India-Pakistan cricket matches remain some of the most watched and celebrated events in the sport, highlighting the deep-rooted passion and rivalry between the two cricketering giants.

By: Vijay Garg

The sun destroys the earth and animals with its fierce rays. The body absorbs moisture from the sea and other sources of water. As a result, the temperature rises higher than expected, which causes hot winds to blow. These winds are called Loo. Now these winds are turning more than fifty cities of the country into 'heat islands'. In Rajasthan, Gujarat, Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh the mercury remains between 43 to 47 degrees. Day temperature in Barmer, Rajasthan 48 Degree and due to hot winds in Kashmir the temperature has reached 34 degrees. Usually, hot winds last for three to eight days and there used to be relief for three-four days due to rain in one or two days, but this time the hot winds continued to blow. Due to this, many cities have turned into heat islands and are no longer habitable. The main reasons for this are considered to be increase in urbanization and decrease in greenery area. In general, the meaning of island is taken from that elevated place surrounded by water in sea or river valleys, around which R is filled with water. But now those urban areas which are scorching due to high temperatures are being called heat islands. Most of the heat islands are causing influx into densely populated urban areas. Such areas have to face higher temperatures than the outer areas. High-rise buildings, CC roads, footpaths and other infrastructural developments are to blame for this. Due to less greenery, areas with high temperatures turn into heat islands. The day temperature in these areas is around 1- 7 degrees and the

The need for Climate-friendly Cities

night temperature increases by about 2-5 degrees. CSE, in a study of nine cities with different climates in the country, found that in cities like Jaipur, during high temperature days, 99.52 percent of the city becomes a heat island at the center of hot winds. Rajneesh Sarin, director of Sustainable Habitat Programme, says that heat center is the area where the land surface temperature (LST) is repeatedly recorded above 45 degrees in the plains in six years or more. being done. greenery in metropolitan cities and Heat centers are expanding due to reduction in the area of water structures. The existence of ponds, rivers and lakes which maintain greenery and moisture in cities is diminishing. This waterlogging provided protection from the heat. Due to their shrinking, barren lands and forests of brick, cement and concrete are increasing in and around the cities, which are increasing the heat. CSE has conducted this survey in Nagpur, Ahmedabad, Chennai, Pune, Jaipur, Delhi, Hyderabad, Kolkata and Bhubaneswar. But the cities where survey has not been conducted from this perspective, You can also become a victim of similar circumstances. The causes of this disaster related to man-made pollution are modern development and increasing urbanization. Due to these reasons, the winds have started wandering and taking the form of heat wave. Storms like tsunami are the side effects of these stray winds. According to the report of America's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, not only India but many countries of South Asia are struggling with heat waves. The possibility of heat waves in these countries has increased 45

times. These countries include India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Myanmar., In Vietnam, the situation has become so bad that due to the heat, many ponds have completely dried up and millions of tonnes of fish have died. Heat waves may increase five times in the West Asian countries Syria, Israel, Palestine, Jordan and Lebanon. This is the third consecutive year of deadly heat waves in Asia. El Nino is also believed to be one of the reasons for this. Due to the hot winds coming from the Pacific Ocean, heat waves are blowing in the world. Words like intense sunlight and heat have become incomprehensible on every tongue. Even in the midst of extreme heat and There is a difference. In the summer season, such areas where the temperature is much higher than the average temperature and this condition remains the same for five days, then it is called 'heat wave'. Looks like. In this unbearable strange weather condition, moisture also gets absorbed. These hot and cold shocks become the cause of heatstroke and disease. The average temperature of any area, what it will be in any season, is calculated and evaluated on the basis of data of the last 30 years. Hot winds in the atmosphere usually arise due to high pressure in a particular area. way These hot summers and rains are good for the environment and rains. A good monsoon is considered synonymous with these stray winds, because there is a deep relationship between heat and rain. The way unseasonal rains turned Dubai city into floods has negated the modern urban development model. The same situation is being seen in Mumbai, Chennai and Bangalore. Therefore, we have to

build cities adapted to climate change. The main reason for winds becoming hot or stray is the reversal of seasonal cycles and global warming. Have to grow more. That is why scientists are claiming that this time the cataclysm will not come from the earth but from celestial heat. We consider the sky to be lifeless and hollow, but in reality it is not hollow. It is not without reason that it has been considered the fifth element in Indian philosophy. The truth is that if God had not created the sky element, we probably would not have existed today. We can't even breathe. These four elements, earth, water, fire and air, remain active only by taking energy from the sky. All these elements are interdependent. i.e. which If the existence of one diminishes, the others will also have to go through the same stage of extinction. The feeling of inner energy and happiness in the body of every living being is possible only through the element of sky, hence it is also called Brahmatattva. Therefore, for the conservation of nature, there is a need to free oneself from materialistic instruments of happiness. Due to climate change, the frequency of natural disasters is also increasing and the pressure of exploitation on aquatic sources is increasing. In such adverse circumstances, we will have to develop the habit of living with the difficult conditions created by nature. And serious attention will have to be paid to environmental protection.

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Women empowerment turned in legal terrorism

Gender equality is, first and foremost, a human right. A woman is entitled to live in dignity and freedom. Empowering women is also an indispensable tool for advancing development and reducing poverty.

Gender equality is a human right, but our world faces a persistent gap in access to opportunities and decision-making power for women and men.

Globally, women have fewer opportunities for economic participation than men, less access to basic and higher education, greater health and safety risks, and less political representation.

Guaranteeing the rights of women and giving them opportunities to reach their full potential is critical not only for attaining gender equality, but also for meeting a wide range of international development goals. Empowered women and girls contribute to the health and productivity of their families,

communities, and countries, creating ripple effect that benefits everyone.

The word gender describes the socially-constructed roles and responsibilities that societies consider appropriate for men and women. Gender equality means that men and women have equal power and equal opportunities for financial independence, education, and personal development. Women's empowerment is a critical aspect of achieving gender equality. It includes increasing a woman's sense of self-worth, her decision-making power, her access to opportunities and resources, her power and control over her own life inside and outside the home, and her ability to effect change. Yet gender issues are not focused on women alone, but on the relationship between men and women in society. The actions and attitudes of men and boys play an essential role in achieving gender equality

Women's health and safety is

another important area. HIV/AIDS is becoming an increasingly impactful issue for women. This can be related to women having fewer opportunities for health education, unequal power in sexual partnership, or as a result of gender-based violence. Maternal health is also an issue of specific concern. In many countries, women have limited access to prenatal and infant care, and are more likely to experience complications during pregnancy and childbirth. This is a critical concern in countries where girls marry and have children before they are ready; often well before the age of 18. Quality maternal health care can provide an important entry point for information and services that empower mothers as informed decision-makers concerning their own health and the health of their children.

In Western countries, female empowerment is often associated with specific phases of the women's rights movement in

history. This movement tends to be split into three waves, the first beginning in the 19th and early 20th century where suffrage was a key feature. The second wave of the 1960s included the sexual revolution and the role of women in society. Third wave feminism is often seen as beginning in the 1990s.

Women's empowerment and promoting women's rights have emerged as a part of a major global movement and is continuing to break new ground in recent years. Days like International Women's Empowerment Day are also gaining momentum.

But despite a great deal of progress, women and girls continue to face discrimination and violence in every part of the world.

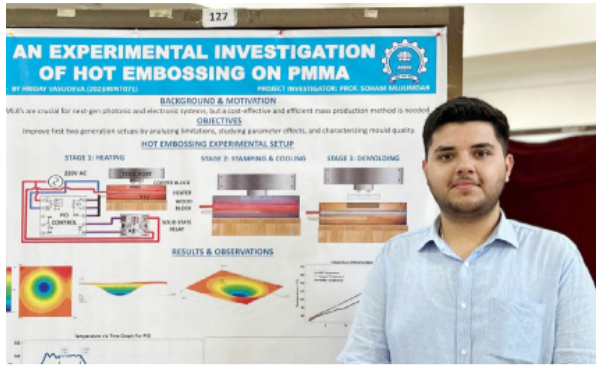
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SMVDU Katra student selected for Research Internship from IIT Bombay

Top News Report

KATRA, June 10: Hriday Vasudeva, final year B. Tech student of the School of Mechanical Engineering has had the prestigious opportunity to intern at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay, where he would be engaged in a cutting-edge research project titled "Experimental Investigation of Hot Embossing on PMMA," under the esteemed guidance of Professor Soham Mujumdar.

The project's cornerstone is the utilization of hot embossing as a cost-effective method for the mass production of micro-lens arrays (MLAs). The initial phase



of my research is dedicated to refining the hot embossing process to enhance efficiency and reliability.

This involves a comprehensive study of the parameters affecting the quality of embossing on polymethyl methacrylate (PMMA) substrates and the development of pre-

cise molds for the same.

The endeavor aims to establish a standardized protocol that ensures the consistent quality of MLAs while remaining economically viable.

As the project progresses, the focus will shift towards the production of high-quality MLAs. The current stage involves meticulous

experimentation with PMMA to understand its behavior under various embossing conditions and to create molds that can accurately replicate the desired microstructures.

Subsequently, bulk metallic glasses (BMG) will be introduced as a mold material due to their superior strength and thermal properties. Once the BMG molds are perfected, they will be employed to stamp the intricate MLA patterns onto PMMA sheets.

This transition from PMMA to BMG molds is expected to address the challenges associated with the scalability of MLA production. The research findings thus

far indicate promising avenues for optimizing the hot embossing process, which could revolutionize the manufacturing of MLAs, making them accessible for a wider range of applications due to reduced costs.

The knowledge gained from this study will not only contribute to the field of mechanical engineering but also pave the way for advancements in optics and photonics, where MLAs are integral components.

The culmination of this project is anticipated to yield a set of best practices for hot embossing that could be adopted by the industry to produce MLAs with precision and economic efficiency.

Yogi condemns target killing of pilgrims in Reasi

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BHADERWAH, June 10: State President Janata Dal Secular (JDS) Mast Nath Yogi has strongly condemned the terrorist attack on a bus carrying pilgrims in Reasi district on Sunday.

In a press statement, Yogi expressed profound shock and sorrow over the loss of innocent lives in this senseless act of violence.

"The targeting of pilgrims who were on a sacred journey, is a despicable and cowardly act. My heart goes out to the families of the victims and I extend my deepest condolences to them during this difficult time," Yogi stated.

Expressing grave concern, Yogi highlighted that terrorists and anti-



national elements are relentlessly attempting to disrupt the peaceful atmosphere of Jammu and Kashmir. He demanded the government should brace up the security grid and mobilize the intelligence network to ensure that such horrendous attacks need to be stopped in the coming time. Calling the attack a pre-conceived action, he said it is an attempt to disrupt communal har-

mony and peaceful atmosphere in the region.

Yogi urged the government to come up with a foolproof security strategy to ensure the safety of all citizens in the Union Territory in view of upcoming Amarnath Yatra. He also extended heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families and prayed for the speedy recovery of those who have got injured in the incident. He further demanded immediate ex-gratia relief in favour of the deceased and specialised treatment to the injured.

He, however, asked the government to ensure the safety and security of the pilgrims across Jammu and Kashmir taking proactive measures to prevent in future such type of incidents.

JKBS members congratulate Narendra Modi on becoming PM for 3rd consecutive time



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JAMMU, June 10: The Jammu and Kashmir Batwal Sabha (JKBS) members who joined here today, cordially congratulated Narendra Modi on becoming the Prime

Minister of India for the third consecutive time.

JKBS General Secretary R.L. Kaith and the members said that they are confident that Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji would do everything possible to devel-

op and strengthen the nation.

"May God keep the Prime Minister under the umbrella of His Holy Right and grant him long years of healthy life and all the best", wished all present in the meeting.

Terrorist attacks on pilgrims will not be tolerated: Shiv Sena

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JAMMU, June 10: Shiv Sena (UBT) Jammu and Kashmir unit has termed the hiding attack on a bus of pilgrims going from Shiv Khodi, a Holy place of Hindus, to Katra in Pouni area of Reasi district of Jammu on 9th June as a nefarious and cowardly act and demanded strong retaliation against Pakistan, the factory of terrorism.

According to the press release issued from the state central office, state chief Manish Sahni said that the aim of Pak-sponsored terrorist organizations is to affect the Holy Shri Amarnath Yatra which is starting from



June 29.

Sahni has warned the terrorist organizations to refrain from nefarious and cowardly acts like attacking innocent and unarmed people by stealth. Along with this, appealed the security and intelligence agencies to be more vigilant and complete elimination of terrorists.

Hindustan Shiv Sena condemns terrorist attack on pilgrims, expresses sympathy with the families of deceased

Strict action should be taken against terrorists : Vikrant

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Hindustan Shiv Sena State President Vikrant Kapoor has strongly condemned the terrorist attack on a bus carrying pilgrims near Shiv Khouri, a famous pilgrimage site of Hindus in Reasi district of Jammu division and warned the terrorists to refrain from nefarious and cowardly acts.

He has demanded from the government that strict action should be taken against the terrorists responsible for this attack.

Hindustan Shiv Sena State President Vikrant Kapoor said this in a statement issued in Jammu.

He strongly condemned the indiscriminate firing by terrorists on the bus of pilgrims and said that this inhuman attack cannot be tolerated. 9 pilgrims died in this terrorist attack and after the attack the bus fell into a ditch, leaving



33 passengers seriously injured. He expressed sympathy with the families of the deceased and also wished for the speedy recovery of the injured.

He said that this attack has been carried out by the terrorists at the behest of their masters sitting across the border with the aim of creating tension in the Jammu division.

Along with this, he also said that this attack has also been carried out with the aim of disrupting the Shri Amarnath Yatra starting from June 29.

He said that the intelligence agencies also

need to be more vigilant so that the holy Shri Amarnath Yatra can be conducted smoothly.

Vikrant Kapoor has also issued a warning to the Pak-sponsored terrorists active in Jammu and Kashmir to refrain from their nefarious and cowardly activities.

At the same time senior leaders of Hindustan Shiv Sena. Sunil Dabgotra, Rakesh, Deepak, Shiv Ram, Baba Ram Kaith, Rohan, Abhishek, Himanshu, Amit, women wing leader Jyoti Devi and others have also strongly condemned this terrorist attack.

Dimple leads anti-Pakistan protest

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Sunil Dimple, President of Mission Statehood, led a strong anti-Pakistan protest in response to the terrorist attack on a Shiv Khori pilgrims' bus, which resulted in nine deaths and 23 injuries.

During the protest, demonstrators burned Pakistani flags and effigies of ISI, Hafeez Saeed, Azhar Masood, and Lashkar-e-Taiba, condemning their roles in the militant activities in Jammu and Kashmir.

In his address, Dimple demanded that Prime Minister Narendra Modi initiate a National Investigation Agency (NIA) investigation into the attack, highlighting the rising terrorism in the Pir Panjal, Poonch, and



Rajouri districts. He expressed concerns about the security of opposition leaders, including himself, noting that his security has been reduced despite threats from militants.

Dimple visited GMC to check on the injured and called for better medical facilities and compensation for the victims. He emphasized the need for heightened security during ongoing religious

events, such as the Amarnath Yatra and Kheer Bhawani Yatra, and the upcoming assembly elections.

He criticized the BJP government for intelligence failures that allow

militants to infiltrate and carry out attacks. Dimple demanded the NDA government conduct surgical strikes and wage war against Pakistan to reclaim Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (POK), Gilgit, and Baltistan as part of India.

Dimple urged the Director General of Jammu and Kashmir Police and security forces to conduct combing operations and eliminate ISI modules in the region. He assured full support from Mission Statehood to the Indian Army in these efforts. Other leaders, including Swarn Lal, Vijay Virdi, Arun Verma, Mohan Lal, Kewal Kumar, Lahori Shah, Vikas Kumar, Kala Singh, Shishu Pal also participated in the protest.

Sunil condemns terrorist attack on pilgrims' bus in Reasi

Top News Report

UDHAMPUR, June 10: Sunil Verma, District President of JKNC Udhampur, has strongly condemned the terrorist attack on a bus carrying pilgrims in Reasi district, resulting in tragic deaths of 10 people as the vehicle subsequently rolled down a gorge.

Expressing profound grief over the loss of lives, Sunil Verma stated, "This barbaric attack on

innocent pilgrims is an act of cowardice and a blatant attempt to spread fear and disruption. My heartfelt condolences go out to the families of the victims during this incredibly difficult time."

Sunil Verma emphasized the urgent need for heightened security measures to prevent such incidents in the future. He called upon the authorities to take swift and decisive action against those respon-

sible for this atrocity. "It is imperative that our security and intelligence agencies work tirelessly to ensure such attacks do not recur. The safety of our citizens must be the highest priority," he added.

Sunil Verma assured the public that JKNC stands in solidarity with the victims and their families, and will continue to advocate for peace and security in the region.

Senior Citizens Club spells out details for Inter-School Dogri Competition in Schools

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Senior Citizens Service Sports Club, Chowadhi, in their monthly meeting, firmed up plan for the inter-school Dogri Nibandh Partijogta (Dogri essay competition) during the months of August-November 2024.

Dr. Kasturi Lal, Chairman of the Club and former Principal GMC, Jammu gave elaborate details of the programme.

Ashok Gupta, President Club and former Drug Controller J&K, welcomed all the members to the meeting.

To start with a one-minute silence was observed to pay respect to the father of Dr. Virender Gupta, and brothers of Dr. KL Gupta who left us for heavenly abode.

Maj Gen SK Sharma, General Secretary informed the gathering of the progress

made by the club in the recent months. He told everyone that based on the proposals taken up by the club, the Govt. of J&K has constituted three committees for implementation of National Education Policy 2020 in the Union Territory.

Sensing the decline of Dogri culture in the state, he informed all that the club has taken up this vital issue for its revival and is currently pursuing it at all the levels. In colleges, a Dogri Cultural Club has already been formed and was inaugurated last fortnight. Similar action has been planned for other colleges too.

While speaking in Dogri, Dr. Shafiq Bano, stressed the need for medical professionals to know the local language as it helps them understand problems of the patients correctly.



Col. Dharam Vir Sharma informed everyone that one of the prominent schools in Jammu named Jammu Sanskriti School, feels proud in telling everyone that they teach students Dogri language besides other subjects. Rohini Aima, Principal

Jammu Sanskriti School, when contacted told that over 250 students are currently studying Dogri subject in classes 1 to 9th for which they have employed two Dogri teachers too. She extended an open invitation to the senior citizens to the school for their

valuable suggestions.

During the months of August-September 2024, Dogri competition will be held in schools and top three students will be selected who would further compete at the zonal level. The final competition will be held in the Dogra Hall in the

club during Oct-Nov 2024 where hefty reward would be given to the winners.

Yash Pal Yash of Nami Dogri Sanstha has already earmarked the 4 schools for competition. Similarly, Ashok Gyatri, Rakesh Khajuria, Suresh Dogra, Col Dharam Vir Sharma also adopted schools for the competition. More members are coming forward to organize this competition in the schools in their neighborhood.

Next event to be held in the club will be celebrated of International Yoga Day on 20th June. It would be conducted under the guidance of Sh. Ashok Gupta, former Bank Manager and a Yoga expert. Ashok Gyatri, former Asstt. Engineer will dwell on the need for the millets and the nutritious food.

All the members present,

offered their congratulatory messages to Dr. Vijay Sharma, former Technical Officer Doordarshan who has been elected as the Chairman, Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers, J&K.

Senior citizens were very enthusiastic about the upcoming programme.

Those present in the function included Rama Sharma, Dr. Namrita Sharma, Kamlesh Sharma, Kailash Langar, Prof. H.C Vaid, Jagdish Langar, Jagjiwan Lal(Moni), Adv.Ashok Beotra, HC Jeerath, former Chief Engineer, Naresh Chander Langar, Janak Raj Gupta, Smt. Vandana Maini, Raman Suri, Bansil Lal Gupta, N.C.Prabhakar, Yudhvir Gupta, Vijay Gupta(Bank), Anil Sadhotra, Raman Awasthi, Janak Raj Gupta, Anil Gupta (Designer).

India doesn't support 'Cannes kind' of cinema, says Anurag Kashyap

He stresses that the victory of independent filmmakers at the European gala is theirs alone

India didn't have any moment at Cannes, says filmmaker Anurag Kashyap, stressing that the victory of independent filmmakers at the European gala is theirs alone and the government doesn't support that kind of award winning cinema.

India won an unprecedented three awards at the 77th edition of the Cannes Film Festival last month—Payal Kapadia became the first ever director from India to win the Grand Prix for her movie 'All We Imagine as Light', Anasuya Sengupta was awarded best actress in the Un Certain Regard strand for 'The Shameless', and FTII student Chidananda S Naik earned the best short film award at the La Cinef section for 'Sunflowers Were the First Ones to Know'.

"I get very upset when it's said 'India@Cannes'. This is a boost... a shot in the arm for a lot of independent filmmakers but their victory is their own," Kashyap told agency in an interview here.

"India didn't have any moment at Cannes, not a single of those films are Indian. We need to address it the way it should be addressed. India has stopped supporting such cinema, the kind of cinema that was at Cannes," he said.

He said Kapadia's 'All We Imagine as Light', which was also the first film from India in 30 years to feature in the main competition at Cannes known for giving a platform to new voices, received funding from a French company. The Malayalam-Hindi feature, which earned the second highest award at Cannes after Palme d'Or, is an Indo-French co-production between Petit Chaos from France and Chalk and Cheese Films from India.

There were several films at Cannes with either India-set stories or Indian talent at the helm, but most were co-productions



with banners from other countries.

Indian-British filmmaker Sandhya Suri's 'Santosh' and Karan Kandhari's 'Sister Midnight' were funded by the UK, while Konstantin Bojanov's 'The Shameless' was almost self-funded. However, Chidananda's 'Sunflowers...' is a production of the TV wing's one-year programme under the Film and Television Institute of India (FTII).

"India just likes to take credit for a lot of things. They do not support these films and don't have them release in cinema," Kashyap said.

In 2021, Kapadia had won an award at Cannes for the documentary 'A Night of Knowing Nothing' but that is yet to be released in India.

"Stop taking credit for it. Let's stop this fake celebration... Even if the film is released, no one will go to watch it in the theatre," the 51-year-old said.

He also cited the example of Shaunak Sen's documentary 'All that Breathes', which won the Golden Eye award at Cannes 2022, that didn't release on Indian screens and went straight to a streamer. Then there were independent films such as 'Jaggi' and 'Pokhar Ke Dunu Paar' that won awards at festivals that will eventually find home in streamers.

Kashyap was also critical of the spotlight on influencers on the famed red carpet.

"This obsession India has with Cannes... More than Cannes, it's about the red carpet. That's on another level. I get angrier when I hear these things... Geetanjali Rao got three awards at Cannes (for 'Printed Rainbow') in 2003. I wrote an article on it, but it was not recognised. Rarely anyone wrote about that here. There's no support system here."

Days after her win, Kapadia, also an FTII graduate, penned an open letter in which she pushed for a government fund for women filmmakers and under-represented sections to foster independent filmmaking while praising the Kerala government for starting a similar initiative.

Kashyap, whose films such as 'Gangs of Wasseypur', 'Ugly' and 'Kennedy' have screened at Cannes over the years across sections like Director's Fortnight and Midnight Screenings, said he was also surprised when former FTII chairperson Gajendra Chauhan took credit for Kapadia's win.

Back in 2015, Kapadia was one of the students who protested against the appointment of 'Mahabharat' actor-BJP politician Chauhan as FTII head. Kapadia was among the

35 students charged under various sections of the Indian Penal Code for offences related to unlawful assembly, criminal intimidation, and rioting.

The chargesheet was filed in 2016. The next court hearing is scheduled for June 26, according to the defence lawyer representing the students.

"The worst part is that the man who put the case against her, and sent some students to jail, is the first man who took the credit for her and said, 'I'm proud that I was the FTII (chairperson)'. What is his name? Yudhishtir ji (his 'Mahabharat' role), Gajendra Chauhan said, 'I'm so proud that she was the student when I was the head'. You are the one who put the case against her," Kashyap added.

The director, who will be seen in an acting role in the web series 'Bad Cop', said the Indian film business focuses primarily on producing blockbuster hits.

"We have made many independent films. I've seen how much support they get and don't get. At the end of the day, in India everyone is here to do business. No one wants to do good work. Everyone wants to do hit work (success)" he said.

Asked about critically acclaimed smaller films like 'Joram' and 'All India Rank' not being marketed well to reach the audiences, Kashyap said such movies can't match up to the marketing of a big film.

"The pressure is on a small film too; they can't spend much on the visibility of the film. To make a small film visible around big films is very difficult. Besides those films are unable to make the recovery, you don't get good show timings, as good show timings are covered by big films," he said, lauding the South movie industry for fixing marketing and ticket pricing for both big-budget and small movies.

Actor Ram Charan starts shooting for the last schedule of upcoming film Game Changer in Rajahmundry



Telugu star Ram Charan landed in Rajahmundry in Andhra Pradesh on Saturday for the final leg of his shooting schedule for the political action thriller film Game Changer.

This leg of the shoot will see Ram Charan working alongside Sunil and Naveen Chandra, who play substantial supporting roles in the film, which also stars Kiara Advani, Jayaram and Anjali in pivotal roles.

Sources said that the Rajahmundry schedule is expected to mark the completion of Ram Charan's portions in the film. Following this, he is expected to shoot for a couple of days in Hyderabad. These final scenes may be filmed towards the end of June or early July, according to a new development. With Charan wrapping up his role, director S Shankar will have approximately 20-25 days to complete the remaining shoot, indicating a swift pace towards the film's release.

Game Changer is directed by S Shankar, and is touted to be a cinematic spectacle made with an estimated budget of Rs 240 crore. Ram Charan will be seen in a triple role, adding another layer of intrigue to the film's narrative. Dil Raju, known for his production excellence, is backing the project under the banner of Sri Venkateswara Creations.

Amandeep Sidhu, who will be seen in the show Badall Pe Paon Hai, essays a character whose dreams soar beyond the constraints of her socio-economic reality

Looking for a character who defies all stereotypes? Someone who, against all odds, is determined to accomplish her dreams and provide for the family? Meet Baani Arora from upcoming Sony SAB's show Badall Pe Paon Hai, a character essayed by Amandeep Sidhu. This inspiring show has been produced by talented duo Sargun Mehta and Ravi Dubey, and will premiere on June 10 at 7:30 pm.

In Badall Pe Paon Hai, Sidhu portrays a middle-class girl from Punjab with dreams that soar beyond the constraints of her socio-economic reality. Despite her limited resources, Baani believes in her ability to change her destiny and works tirelessly to provide a better life for her family. Her journey into the male-dominated world of stock market trading is a bold step that showcases her determination and courage. Sidhu, famous for her roles in Teri Meri Ikk Jindri and Choti Sarrdaarni, expresses her excitement of coming back home to essay the role. Being a Sardarni, born in Batala, Punjab, Sidhu is well versed with the culture, accent and mannerisms needed to essay the



character of Baani. Lovely locations

Set against the vibrant and culturally rich backdrop of Punjab, Sidhu enjoys every moment shooting at authentic locations. When asked about any challenges faced during the process, she explains, "I was a bit apprehensive about moving my base to Chandigarh, but was ready for this experience." The cast and crew of the show has been filming for over a month now and the actress feels lucky to be at the receiving end of the love from her team.

For Sidhu, playing Baani is not just a professional role but a personal mission. She adds, "Baani's unwaver-

ing courage and determination to overcome obstacles and chase her dreams resonate deeply with me." Sidhu had to immerse deeply into the character's mind-set to adopt her unyielding attitude. She says, "Getting under the skin of my character and acquiring the never-say-die attitude was quite a unique experience."

"Badall Pe Paon Hai is not just a show but an experience that mirrors the aspirations, struggles and triumphs of ordinary individuals like Baani, who dare to dream big. I believe this story will inspire viewers to pursue their own dreams, no matter how difficult it may seem," she signs off.

In his latest audio series Stree 360, Devdutt Pattanaik presents women from Indian mythology who have been oppressors and those who have been oppressed

After delivering original audio series like Ravana 360 Degrees, Veda 360 Degrees, acclaimed author, mythologist and proficient speaker Devdutt Pattanaik brings out his recent Audible original, Stree 360 Degrees. This one is an attempt to decode women from Indian mythology. The author explains, "Stree 360 Degrees, as the name suggests, is looking at women from a 360 degrees point of view. It tells stories of women from different scriptures, different ways in which women can be looked at. There is so much to a woman and that is what I'm exploring in this audiobook series."

So, what's the status of women in Hindu mythology? Were women oppressed or liberated? Did they have independence, or were all decisions made for them by men? Devdutt says the answers might surprise you when you listen to his series.

When he talks about covering the subject from all angles, Devdutt is 'not just talking about heroines'. "We're also talking about villains, we are talking about submissive women, defiant women, good women, bad women, rich women, poor women and that



is the whole idea. It is not viewed through the narrow framework of patriarchy or feminism. It is the second part of the Shikhandi book, which was written a few years ago." Devdutt's Shikhandi: And Other Queer Tales Don't

Tell You was published in 2014, which shattered the conventional confines of gender and sexuality. He adds, "My series is not just about oppression, but about oppressors too. Women are both oppressors and the oppressed. They are

liberators as they are also the ones who deny others agency and that's what I want to draw the attention of people to."

How does the twenty-first century women fare vis a vis the mythological ones? "Women in society today are educated unlike in the past and they can do their jobs, but gender inequality still exist. We are living in a post-industrial society and therefore we cannot really compare the current situation with the pre-industrial society."

Industrialisation changed a lot of things. Rules of industrialisation define our lives and most of these stories come from pre-industrial contexts. So, one cannot really draw a direct comparison," Devdutt opines.

Known for his vast knowledge of Indian mythology, Devdutt has been the story consultant for many popular TV shows such as Mahabharata, Siya Ke Ram and Devon Ke Dev...Mahadev that fall under the genre. In fact, he left a career in medical field to become a writer. His passion for writing continues but he has also switched to audiobooks to keep up with the generational shift. We wonder what he likes better? The

host of radio show, The Devdutt Pattanaik Show, shares, "If you are reading a book, you can go back and forth from one chapter to another, and you can underline words or phrases that you like. You can listen to an audiobook while travelling in a crowded train or on a long flight, something that's difficult to do with a book. So, everything has its pros and cons. I think certain medium works better at certain times but that doesn't make it the preferred one at all times. Every medium has its purpose, and thereby a future."

So, what's next? Devdutt doesn't have a definite answer. He likes to write several books simultaneously for different formats. "It's difficult to say what my next project will be. I research on several subjects simultaneously, some of which will take the shape of books. I don't plan anything."

But Devdutt has expectations. With Stree 360 Degrees, he wants to give out a message to his listeners - There's more to women than what people, books or anecdotes from history tell them about womanhood. As for men, he expects them to become better husbands, fathers and sons.

India looks forward to working with Canada based on mutual respect for each other's concerns: PM Modi

India-Canada ties have been under a strain over the activism of Khalistani separatists in the North American country

NEW DELHI, Jun 10 (Agencies): Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday thanked world leaders for their wishes after he took oath for a third term in office, and told his Canadian counterpart that India looks forward to working with his country based on mutual understanding and respect for each other's concerns.

Replying to the greetings of Ugandan President Yoweri K Museveni, Modi said in a post on X, "We will advance our strong partnership with Uganda.

We were proud that Africa Union became a permanent member of G20 Presidency.



We will further develop our historical connect in all areas." Finnish Prime Minister Petteri Orpo, his Slovenian counterpart

Robert Golob, former Afghan president Hamid Karzai and billionaire philanthropist Bill Gates were among those whom Modi

thanked for their wishes.

He also replied to Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's congratulatory message and his comment that Canada stands ready with the Indian government to advance the relationship between the nations' people — anchored to human rights, diversity, and the rule of law.

Thanking him for his wishes, Modi said, "India looks forward to working with Canada based on mutual understanding and respect for each other's concerns." India-Canada ties have been under a strain over the activism of Khalistani separatists in the North American country.

Suspected militants ambush Manipur CM's advance security convoy, 1 official injured



IMPHAL, Jun 10 (Agencies): Suspected militants ambushed the advance security convoy of Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh in Kangpokpi district on Monday morning, leaving one official injured, police said. The convoy was on its way to violence-hit Jiribam district when it

came under attack around 10.30 am near Kotlen village along a stretch of National Highway-53, they said.

Multiple gunshots were fired at the vehicles of the security forces, who retaliated, a police officer said.

The driver of one of the convoy vehicles suffered bullet injuries on his right shoulder, and he is being taken to a hospital in Imphal, the officer said.

"Security forces have reached the ambush site, around 36 km from the state capital, and launched combing operations to trace the gunmen," he said.

"CM Biren Singh, who is yet to reach Imphal from Delhi, was planning to visit Jiribam to take stock of the situation in the district," an official told agency.

Two police outposts, a forest beat office and at least 70 houses were torched in Jiribam by suspected militants on Saturday in a fresh bout of violence in the ethnic strife-torn state.

Boy, 16, Held For Raping Minor Girl In Delhi

The victim's mother told police that a 16-year-old boy in their neighbourhood sexually assaulted her daughter at his house about three to four days ago, police said.

NEW DELHI, Jun 10 (Agencies): A juvenile has been apprehended for allegedly sexually assaulting a seven-year-old girl from her neighbourhood in south Delhi, officials on Monday said.

Information regarding the matter was received at Lodhi Colony police station on Sunday, they said.

The victim's mother told police that a 16-year-old boy in their neighbourhood sexually assaulted her daughter



at his house about three to four days ago, police said.

The girl was taken for a medical examination and an FIR under section 376 AB (rape on a woman under twelve years of age) of the IPC and the Protection of

Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO) was registered, they said.

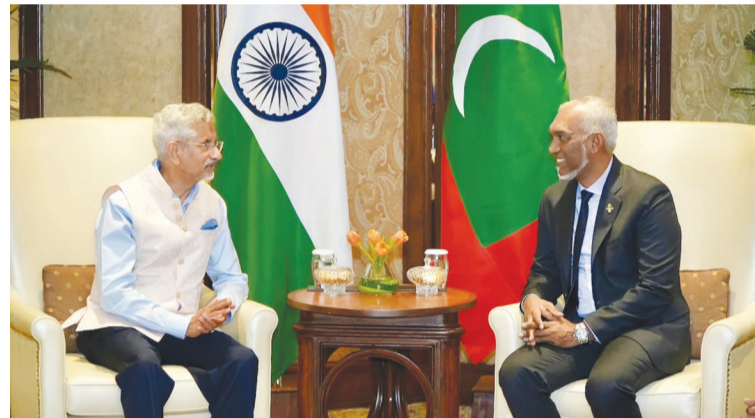
"We have apprehended the juvenile and sent him to observation home. Further investigation is underway," a police officer said.

"Look Forward To Working Together Closely": S Jaishankar To Maldives President

NEW DELHI, Jun 10 (Agencies): Union Minister S Jaishankar on Monday held separate bilateral meetings with Maldives President Mohamed Muizzu, Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and Sri Lankan President Ranil Wickremesinghe.

Mr Muizzu, Ms Hasina and Mr Wickremesinghe were among seven leaders from India's neighbourhood and the Indian Ocean region to attend the swearing-in ceremony of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Union Council of Ministers on Sunday.

"Delighted to call on President Dr Mohamed Muizzu of Maldives today in New Delhi. Look forward to India and Maldives working together closely," Mr Jaishankar said on 'X'.



Mr Jaishankar was the external affairs minister in PM Modi's previous Cabinet. He took oath as a Union minister on Sunday.

It was Mr Muizzu's first visit to India after he became the island nation's president on November 17 last year.

The ties between India and the Maldives came under severe

strain since Mr Muizzu, known for his pro-China leanings, took charge of the top office.

Within hours of his oath, he had demanded the withdrawal of Indian military personnel from his country. The Indian military personnel were replaced by civilians earlier this month.

After his meeting with Ms

Hasina, Mr Jaishankar said, "Honoured to call on Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina of Bangladesh today. The India-Bangladesh Maitri continues to advance."

On his meeting with Mr Wickremesinghe, Mr Jaishankar said, "Appreciate President Ranil Wickremesinghe of Sri Lanka for receiving me this morning in New Delhi.

Recognized the steady progress in India-Sri Lanka relations."

Nepal Prime Minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachanda', Mauritius Prime Minister Pravind Kumar Jugnauth, his Bhutanese counterpart Tshering Tobgay and Vice-President of Seychelles Ahmed Afif also attended PM Modi's swearing-in ceremony.

Congress takes a dig at Modi for "making a great show" of signing his first file to give funds to farmers

NEW DELHI, Jun 10 (Agencies): Taking a jibe at Prime Minister Narendra Modi for making "a great show" of signing his first file upon taking office to grant the 17th instalment of the PM Kisan Nidhi funds, the Congress on Monday said if the PM was genuinely concerned about farmers, he would have given legal status to MSP in accordance with the Swaminathan Commission's formula.

Listing other steps PM would have done if he was con-



cerned about farmers, Congress general secretary Jairam Ramesh said the PM would have arranged for a farm loan waiver and set up a permanent commission to effectively implement it.

The PM would have guaranteed insurance payment straight to the bank account within 30 days of crop loss

Farmers would have been consulted to set up a new import-export policy, Ramesh wrote on X.

BJP's Amit Malviya Seeks Apology From RSS Member For "Derogatory" Post



NEW DELHI, Jun 10 (Agencies): Bharatiya Janata Party's National Information and Technology Department in-charge Amit Malviya on Monday sought an "unconditional apology" from RSS member Santanu Sinha in connection with an "extremely offensive" post on Facebook.

Mr Malviya, through his advocate, sent a legal notice to Santanu Sinha on June 8 asking to take down the "false and derogatory" post and also tender an unconditional apology.

"The nature of allegations are extremely offensive in as much as, they falsely allege sexual misconduct purportedly committed by my client. The same is fatally injurious to the dignity and reputation of my client, who, by virtue of his professional profile, is a public figure. Such malevolently malicious statements have been deliberately made to tarnish his reputation," the notice read.

Mr Malviya, through the notice, alleged ulte-

rior motives and wrongful intent to malign and tarnish his image.

Mr Sinha was asked to issue an apology and remove his post within three days from the date of notice, which ends tomorrow. Further, it mentioned that Mr Malviya will proceed with legal action against Mr Sinha if he fails to respond to the notice.

"I, the undersigned, therefore call upon you to issue a public apology and take down/remove your defamatory statement(s) given against my client across all public platforms within three (3) days of receipt of this legal notice, failing which my client will be constrained to take appropriate legal action against you including prosecuting you for civil and criminal defamation at your risk and cost. Further, I call upon you to pay a sum of INR 10 crore as civil damages for the mental harassment, agony and loss of reputation caused to my client that has been caused to my client via your Face-

book post dated June 7, 2024," the notice read.

Meanwhile, Congress has sought the removal of Mr Malviya from his position following Mr Sinha's allegations.

Addressing a press conference on Monday, Congress leader Supriya Shrinete said, "An RSS member, Shantanu Sinha, related to BJP leader Rahul Sinha, has said that the BJP IT Cell head Amit Malviya has indulged in nefarious activities. He indulges in the sexual exploitation of women. Not just in 5-star hotels but in BJP offices in West Bengal. The only thing that we seek from the BJP is, justice for women."

Ms Shrinete said that an independent probe into the incident is only possible if Mr Malviya is removed from his position.

"The reality is less than 24 hours after PM Modi was sworn in, serious charges of sexual exploitation have been leveled against a very prominent office bearer of the BJP, the head of its IT cell. Today we seek the immediate removal of Amit Malviya from his position. It's an extremely influential position. It's a position of power and there can be no independent inquiry. There can be no independent probe. There cannot be justice unless and until he doesn't get removed from his position," the Congress leader said.

Delhi water crisis: Supreme Court takes exception to Kejriwal government's failure to remove defects in petition; hearing deferred to June 12

NEW DELHI, Jun 10 (Agencies): The Supreme Court on Monday took strong exception to the Delhi government's failure to remove certain defects in its petition seeking a direction to the Haryana government to release surplus water provided by Himachal Pradesh to deal with the water crisis in the national capital.

Deferring the hearing to Wednesday, a Vacation Bench of Justice Prashant Kumar Mishra and Justice Prasanna B Varale warned that it would dismiss the petition if defects were not removed.

"You cannot take this court for a ride. Let the office (Supreme Court Registry) verify that you removed the defects and if you did not, then let the petition be dismissed... It will be dismissed," the Bench told senior counsel Abhishek Manu Singhvi who represented the Delhi government.

"Defects were pointed out last week and still defects are not removed. Mr Singhvi will not remove the defects..." the Bench said after senior counsel Shyam Divan pointed out on behalf of the Haryana government that the state was unable to upload its documents as defects in the Delhi government's petition had not been removed.

The Haryana government was also represented by Senior Additional Advocate General Lokesh Sinhal.

Meanwhile, Upper Yamuna River Board (UYRB) has told the Bench that "complete information for ascertaining the utilisation

(of water) by HP has not been supplied. The Board said Himachal Pradesh was required to provide details such as location, latitude and longitude of withdrawal point, authorised/approved discharge of scheme of that particular withdrawal point, water utilised by HP and surplus water released for Delhi.

"Himachal Pradesh needs to submit the details... to ascertain their utilised share (of water) in the absence of which the Board is not in a position to estimate the unutilised share of the state of HP which they want to share with NCT of Delhi and pass through the state of Haryana," the UYRB said.

Noting that there was excessive media coverage of the matter, the Bench said it would prefer to read the case file first, instead of going by media reports.

"List it the day after tomorrow so that all the reports etc are on record. We also want to read the file. There is so much reporting in the media and if we do not read files, then media reports can impress us and that's not a good thing," Justice Mishra remarked.

As Divan offered to hand over certain documents to the Bench, Justice Mishra asked him to file it in the normal course after removal of defects in the Delhi government's petition.

It noted that the compliance/status reports filed by the UYRB and states of Haryana, Delhi and Himachal Pradesh were not on record as the defects in the Delhi govern-

ment's petition had not been removed.

A Delhi government counsel said certain defects had been removed and that he would go to the Registry to ensure that the remaining defects, if any, were removed.

Terming it "an existential problem" for Delhi, the Bench had on June 6 said that there should be no politics over the water crisis in Delhi.

The Supreme Court had directed the Himachal Pradesh government to release 137 cusecs of its surplus water to Hathni Kund Barrage for its onward supply to Delhi to enable it to deal with peak summer water crisis.

It had ordered the Haryana government to facilitate further release of the water received from Himachal Pradesh at Hathni Kund Barrage to Wazirabad Barrage to save the national capital from acute water shortage.

"Considering the urgency in the matter, we direct the state of Himachal Pradesh to release the surplus drinking water by June 7, with prior intimation to the Haryana government," it had said.

The Bench had directed the Upper Yamuna River Board to measure the excess water received at Hathni Kund Barrage from Himachal Pradesh for its onward supply to Wazirabad with the assistance of the state of Haryana. It had also asked the governments of Delhi, Haryana and Himachal Pradesh to file compliance affidavits by June 10.

Hamas Official Urges US To Put Pressure On Israel To End Gaza War

CAIRO, Jun 10 (Agencies): A senior Hamas official urged the United States on Monday to pressure Israel to end the war in Gaza, ahead of the planned visit on Monday by U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken to the region to push forward ceasefire efforts.

Blinken is set to visit Egypt and Israel on Monday. He also aims to ensure the war does not expand into Lebanon.

"We call upon the U.S. administration to put pressure on the occupation to stop the war on Gaza and the Hamas movement is ready to deal positively with any initiative that secures an end to the war," senior Hamas official Sami Abu Zuhri said.

In his eighth visit to the region since Hamas militants attacked Israel on Oct. 7, triggering the bloodiest episode in the decades-long Israeli-Palestinian



conflict, Blinken is also set to travel to Jordan and Qatar this week.

He is set to meet with Egyptian President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi in Cairo before travelling to Israel later on Monday, where he will meet with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Defence Minister Yoav Gallant, according to a State Department schedule.

On Monday, Palestinian residents said tanks had been trying to thrust deeper towards the north in the early hours of Monday, edging Shaboura, one of the most densely populated and militant stronghold neighbourhoods at the heart of the city.

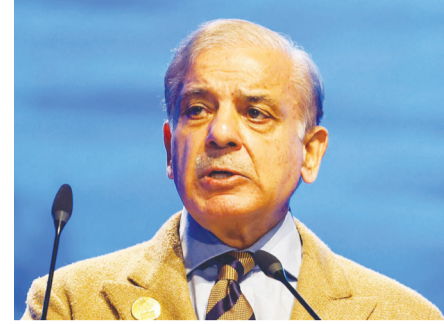
Israeli tank forces have since seized Gaza's entire border

strip with Egypt running through Rafah to the Mediterranean coast and invaded many districts of the city of 280,000 residents, prompting around one million displaced people who had been sheltering in Rafah to flee elsewhere.

Blinken's visit comes after U.S. President Joe Biden on May 31 outlined a three-phase ceasefire proposal from Israel that envisions a permanent end to hostilities, the release of Israeli hostages and Palestinian prisoners, and the reconstruction of Gaza.

The Hamas attack killed 1,200 people and took some 250 others hostage, according to Israeli tallies. In response, Israel launched an assault on the Gaza Strip that has killed more than 37,000 Palestinians, the health ministry in the Hamas-run territory said in its Sunday update.

Pakistan's Shehbaz Sharif Congratulates PM Modi For 3rd Term



ISLAMABAD, Jun 10 (Agencies): Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif today extended his congratulations to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for taking oath as India's PM for a third successive term.

"Felicitations to @narendramodi on taking oath as the Prime Minister of India," Mr Sharif posted on X.

This congratulatory message followed a rather reserved statement from Pakistan's Foreign Office spokesperson, Mumtaz Zahra Baloch, who on Satur-

day when queried about congratulating PM Modi, remarked, "We do not have any comments on their electoral process." She said that since the new Indian government had not officially been sworn in, it was "premature" to discuss congratulatory messages.

The PM Modi-led National Democratic Alliance (NDA) secured a decisive victory in the recent Lok Sabha polls, clinching 293 out of 543 seats.

"Pakistan has always desired cooperative relations with all its neighbours including India. We have consistently advocated constructive dialogue and engagement to resolve all outstanding issues, including the core dispute of Jammu and Kashmir," Ms Baloch said.

India maintains that it seeks cordial ties with Pakistan, stressing that Islamabad must first create an environment free of terror and hostility to enable such engagement.

Australia PM urges activists to 'turn the heat down' after US Consulate vandalized over Gaza war

SYDNEY, Jun 10 (Agencies): Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese urged activists on both sides of the Israel-Palestinian debate to "turn the heat down" after the U.S. Consulate in Sydney was vandalized on Monday.

CCTV footage showed a person wearing a dark hoodie using a small sledgehammer to smash nine holes in the reinforced glass windows of the building in North Sydney after 3 a.m., a police statement said.

Two inverted red triangles, seen by many as a symbol of Palestinian resistance, were also painted on the front of the building.

Albanese urged people to have "respectful political debate and discourse."

"People are traumatized by what is going on in the Middle East, particularly those with



relatives in either Israel or in the Palestinian Occupied Territories," Albanese told reporters. "And I just say, again, reiterate my call to turn the heat down and measures such as painting the U.S. consulate do nothing to advance the cause of those who have committed what is, of course, a crime to damage property," Albanese added.

The consulate was closed on Monday because of a public holiday in New South Wales state but would reopen on Tuesday, a consulate

statement said.

New South Wales Premier Chris Minns said an overwhelming majority of Australians did not approve of such vandalism.

"We can make our point in this country without resorting to violence or malicious behavior," Minns said.

The consulate was sprayed with graffiti in April, including the words "Freee (sic) Gaza." The U.S. Consulate in Melbourne was vandalized by pro-Palestinian activists on May 31.

European elections are 1st electoral setback to Sweden's populist party with far-right roots

COPENHAGEN, Jun 10 (Agencies): The elections in Sweden to the European Parliament marked the first electoral setback for the Swedish populist party with far-right roots that grabbed more than 13% of the votes but came fourth, according to preliminary figures Monday. That made Sweden one of the few countries in Europe where the far-right is in retreat.

The Sweden Democrats — the Scandinavian country's second largest group in the Swedish parliament — grabbed 13.2% of the votes, down 2.2%, and would keep their three seats in the EP assembly, according to preliminary figures.

They came in behind the opposition Social Democrats, Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson's conservatives Moderates and the Greens, which made some of the largest gains Sunday in the EU election for



Sweden's 21 seats. The Social Democrats grabbed nearly one-fourth of the votes and would get five seats while the Moderates would get four and the Greens three.

The poor showing by the Sweden Democrats was "the election night's greatest sensation," said Mats Knutson, the political analyst with Swedish broadcaster SVT.

He said the reasons for the poor showing

could be that the party faced a storm of criticism after a television station had alleged that it had been operating fake social media accounts, badmouthing political opponents and allies, spreading doctored videos and posting racist remarks. Knutson also noted that the migration issue wasn't particularly important to voters this time.

Christine Nissen, an analyst with the Copen-

hagen-based think tank Europa, said that migration wasn't the top issue in northern Europe in contrast to southern Europe where "issues such as migration are important for the voters there."

The Sweden Democrats, who today support membership in the 27-member bloc, have toned down their rhetoric and expelled openly racist members. Since then, they have grown

from a marginal movement with less than 2% support to becoming the country's second-biggest party.

In the 2022 parliament elections, the Sweden Democrats, who won nearly 21% support — up from 17.5% four years ago — gained on the rising fears of crime in largely immigrant neighborhoods in segregated districts that are home to large numbers of migrants who have failed to integrate into Swedish society.

The party which maintains a hard line on immigration, supports Sweden's three-party center-right government in the 349-member Riksdag, but is not part of it. Kristersson's government has been moving toward a tougher stance on criminal gangs by increasing prison sentences for gang members and introducing stop-and-frisk zones for police to crack down on crime.

90 countries to attend Swiss-hosted Ukraine peace summit that Russia is snubbing

Switzerland's president says nearly 90 countries and organizations, half from Europe, have confirmed attending the Swiss-hosted Ukraine peace summit over the weekend despite Russia's refusal to participate

BERN, Jun 10 (Agencies): Nearly 90 countries and organizations, half from Europe, have confirmed attending the Swiss-hosted Ukraine peace summit over the weekend despite Russia's refusal to participate, Switzerland's president said Monday.

Viola Amherd told reporters in the Swiss capital that the summit, on Saturday and Sunday, will aim to chart a path toward possible peace nearly 28 months after Russian forces invaded Ukraine and the war grinding on.

"This is not about propaganda," said Amherd. "This is about the basis of humanitarian aid provided by Switzerland, based on fostering peace (and) to provide a platform to initiate a dialogue."

The Swiss president added that most participants — about half of which will be represented at the level of head of state or government — are country leaders,

but "a handful" are from organizations like the United Nations.

Some heads of state or government, including French President Emmanuel Macron and German Chancellor Olaf Scholz, are expected to attend the summit at the Buergstock resort overlooking Lake Lucerne.

U.S. Vice President Kamala Harris will take part on behalf of the United States. President Joe Biden's national security adviser, Jake Sullivan, will join Harris as part of the U.S. delegation.

About 160 invitations have been sent out and Amherd said it was not a "disappointment" for the Swiss government that fewer than 100 have so far announced participation in the first phase of the peace process.

Swiss authorities said the final list of participants was expected by Friday, but key developing countries like Turkey, South Africa and Brazil



haven't indicated whether they would attend. India they said, will take part but it isn't clear at which level.

Brazil and China said they wouldn't take part unless both sides — including Russia — were at the table, according to Swiss officials. Beijing has been one of the top supporters of Russian President Vladimir Putin since the war started, and has said the criteria for its participation will be "hard

to meet."

Foreign Minister Ignazio Cassis also addressed reporters, saying Switzerland has repeatedly acknowledged that there cannot be a peace process without Russia. "The question is not whether Russia will be on board, the question is when."

He also said Switzerland is in frequent contact with authorities in Moscow about the conference.

Ukraine has helped

coordinate the summit, and President Volodymyr Zelenskyy is expected to attend. Cassis said Swiss officials had to balance considerations that Ukraine might not have attended if Russia was represented.

Swiss officials say the conference aims to set a course toward "lasting peace" in Ukraine, to reach a "common understanding" toward getting there, and draw up the "roadmap" on how to get both sides involved in talks. Nuclear security, humanitarian aid and food security are also on the summit's agenda.

As many as 4,000 military personnel will be deployed to provide security and support air transportation, surveillance and roll out security fencing and steel wire for the event, officials said, adding that an increase in cyberattacks in the run-up to the summit was noted, but didn't provide details.

Kosovo celebrates 25th anniversary of the withdrawal of Serbian forces after NATO bombing



PRISTINA, Jun 10 (Agencies): Kosovo on Monday celebrated the 25th anniversary of the withdrawal of Serbian forces following a 78-day NATO bombing campaign, which opened the way for its independence nine years later.

Ethnic Albanian separatists of the Kosovo Liberation Army fought a 1998-1999 war with Serbian forces in what was then the province of Kosovo. About 13,000 people, mostly ethnic Albanians, died and about 1 million were deported until the NATO bombing resulted in the Serbian withdrawal and the establishment of an international force known as Kosovo Force, or KFOR.

Kosovo declared

independence in 2008, which Belgrade doesn't recognize.

Former U.K. Prime Minister Tony Blair, who was in office at the time, took part in a special parliamentary session in the capital, Pristina, to celebrate the anniversary. Former Italian Premier Massimo D'Alema and Albanian Prime Minister Edi Rama participated in other ceremonies.

"The fight for Kosovo was not only for Kosovo but for all of us, including my own country, who believe that freedom and justice are worth standing up for and if necessary, fighting for," Blair said in a speech. "Had we allowed Kosovo and its people to continue to be brutalized, their rights

stripped from them, their futures stolen, our own future in countries like mine would have been diminished."

Kosovo-Serbia ties remain tense and the 13-year-long normalization talks facilitated by the European Union have failed to make progress, especially following a shootout last September between masked Serb gunmen and Kosovo police that left four people dead. NATO-led KFOR peacekeepers have increased their numbers and equipment along the Kosovo-Serbia border.

The EU and the United States are pressing both sides to implement agreements that Serbian President Aleksandar Vucic and Kosovo Prime Minister Albin Kurti reached in February and March last year.

Serbia's and Kosovo's chances of joining the EU one day are jeopardized by their refusal to compromise, according to the bloc's foreign policy chief, Josep Borrell.

Manoj Padha condemns Reasi terror attack

Top News Report

BHADERWAH, June 10: Deeply saddened and outraged by the recent terror attack on Hindu pilgrims in Reasi, Manoj Padha, General Secretary, Ekam Sanatan Bharat Dal J&K and Incharge Erstwhile Doda District, on Monday staged a protest at Bhaderwah.

"This act is reflective of a disturbing shift in terrorist activities in our peaceful Jammu region,"



he stated. "Terrorists are expanding their presence and increasingly carrying out attacks. It's a complete

failure of the Home Ministry, UT Government, intelligence agencies, and security forces. They should stop boast-

ing about ending terrorism while innocent lives are being lost in Jammu region. LG Manoj Sinha should resign, and Union Minister Amit Shah should be held accountable for spreading fake propaganda. Let competent people take over and do the job."

He added, "Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of the victims, and we stand in solidarity with them during this difficult time." He asked the citizens to

remain united and resilient in the face of such threats. He asked the Village Defence Guards to be step up vigilance to man our villages and support the security forces to combat terrorism.

Padha urged the authorities to take swift and decisive action to bring the perpetrators to justice, address the root cause of the resurgence of terrorism in Jammu region, and ensure the safety and security of our citizens.

164 Bn CRPF organizes cricket match for youth in Dooru



Top News Report

ANANTNAG, June 10: 164 Battalion Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) organized a cricket match on Monday between Sultan Warriors Dooru and Flying Eagles Zamalgam at Sports Stadium Dooru Shahabad which was inaugurated by locals.

On this occasion, 2IC Murali Krishnan, OC Dooru in-charge Inspector Dinesh Kumar Meena, officers from Youth Services and Sports, former Sarpanchs, were also present.

While a large number of youths attended to watch the cricket match, Sultan Warriors Dooru won the toss and decided to bat first and scored 123 runs in 12 overs while Flying Eagles Zamalgam won the match in 10 overs. Both the team players was awarded with medals while 164 Battalion CRPF also distributed sports kits to both teams, on which the young players appreciated the CRPF a lot.

On the occasion 2 IC Murali Krishnan said that the purpose of today's match is to raise the level of sports to do and pro-

mote the culture of athletics in the region. He said that this step underlines our commitment to nurture talent and promote sports at the grassroots level. While the local youth expressed their gratitude to the CRPF and expressed their desire that such tournaments should be held in the future so that the hidden talents of the local youth can come out.

He also said that by organizing such tournaments, the youth will stay away from drugs and other vices and be attracted to sports more and more.

Reasi terror attack 'nefarious' attempt to bring Jammu region into turmoil: LG

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Monday termed the terror attack in Reasi that killed nine pilgrims as "nefarious" attempt to bring Jammu region into turmoil.

Speaking to reporters after visiting the injured in hospital, LG Sinha said such "nefarious"

attempts will be dealt with strongly and those behind this attack won't be spared. He also said that PM Modi and Home Minister are also monitoring the situation themselves since yesterday and that a joint operation is going on in the area to track down the attackers.

LG Sinha also said that their priority is to ensure that those injured in

the incident are saved and "we know there is no compensation for the dead, but we have announced an ex-gratia of Rs 10 lakh for family members of those killed in the incident and Rs 5 lakh for the injured."

At least 9 persons were killed and over 30 were injured after terrorists fired upon a bus carrying pilgrims in Reasi district on Sunday evening.

Dr. Heeralal Chitrakar conferred with Honorary Doctorate in American Arts

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Dr. Heeralal Chitrakar conferred with the Doctorate in Fine Art by American Arts, the best group in the United States- Nelly Tzintzeva Mohamed Lamritni.

Prof. Dr. Heeralal Chitrakar is a renowned personality renowned for his profound impact in the field of arts and social activism. Dr. Chitrakar's journey

unfolds like a masterpiece, reflecting a harmonious blend of artistic talent and unwavering commitment to community welfare.

As an accomplished artist, Dr. Chitrakar's canvases breathe life into the cultural heritage of Rajasthan, showcasing vivid narratives and timeless traditions. His visionary approach goes beyond aesthetics, using art as a powerful catalyst for social change.

Mutton shop sealed in Kulgam

Top News Report

KULGAM, June 10: A joint team of Tehsildar Kulgam and CEO Municipal Council Kulgam sealed a meat shop in main town Kulgam on Monday afternoon.

A legal action was taken against the mutton shop owner in main town Kulgam for violating norms.

Local people praised the concerned Tehsildar and Municipal Council Kulgam for taking this action.

According to the people, this process should continue so that whosoever does this, the administration should take legal action against them.

Meanwhile, the police has also taken action against this shopkeeper and



arrested him on spot.

SKPA commences Anti-Human Trafficking course

Top News Report

UDHAMPUR, June 10: The S.K. Police Academy today commenced a 3-day course on 'Anti-Human Trafficking'. Seventeen officers from various units and wings of the J&K Police are participating in this training program. The course is designed to cover key topics such as the concept of human trafficking, child trafficking, underlying causes and purposes, social and legal dimensions, case investigation,

FIR drafting, search and seizure procedures, arrest protocols, charge-sheet submission, relevant laws, case studies, the role of NGOs in child protection, police prevention strategies, and SOPs for missing children through group exercises. Eminent guest speakers from academia and various units of the J&K Police, including SKPA, will share their extensive knowledge with the participants.

Simultaneously, a 5-day course on new criminal laws also began at SKPA,

with forty-eight officers and officials from District Udhampur/Reasi in attendance. This course aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of the new criminal laws, highlighting significant changes. Participants will gain essential knowledge and skills to address modern law enforcement challenges. Interactive discussions will compare old and new laws, enhancing comprehension and practical application. This initiative demonstrates the police's commitment to

keeping their personnel at the cutting edge of law enforcement practices.

The inaugural function, held at SKPA, featured Rajinder Kumar Gupta, IPS, SSP, Dy. Director (Indoor), as the chief guest. In his welcome address, Gupta warmly greeted all participants, emphasizing their preparedness to tackle contemporary law enforcement challenges. He highlighted the differences between old and new laws and reaffirmed SKPA's dedication to pro-

viding relevant and thorough training. He also touched on international instruments concerning trafficking in persons, including women, children, the destitute, and the poor, encompassing both sex trafficking and forced labor.

The 3-day 'Anti-Human Trafficking' course is being coordinated by Shri Sandeep Mahajan, Inspector, with assistance from SI Dhian Singh. The 5-day 'New Criminal Laws' course is coordinated by Riaz

DFSS holds protest against Reasi terrorist attack

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Under the leadership of President Ashok Gupta, workers of the Dogra Front and Shiv Sena (DFSS) organized a protest in Jammu city, burning the Pakistan flag in response to the recent terrorist attack on pilgrims in Reasi.

This attack brought back memories of a similar incident on July 10, 2017, when a bus carrying Amarnath pilgrims from Gujarat was attacked. Despite heavy gunfire, the driver, Sheikh Saleem Gafoor, managed to save 52 passengers, though seven pilgrims were killed



and 19 wounded. Expressing his anger and condolences, Gupta condemned the attack as a "crime against humanity." He called for strong

condemnation of the act and demanded that the central government carry out operations in the hilly areas of Rajouri and Poonch to eliminate ter-

rorists and their supporters.

Gupta pointed out Pakistan's current economic crisis, noting high inflation and the lack of an IMF

bailout, but criticized Pakistan's continued efforts to infiltrate India with terror. He stressed that the terror camps in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (POK), previously destroyed during surgical strikes, are operational again and called for a more extensive attack to permanently eliminate these camps. Gupta emphasized that Pakistan would not respond to diplomatic measures and must be dealt with forcefully.

Several party members, including Abhishek Bantu, Prem, Kalu, Raju, Ganesh, Subash, and Shankar, were present at the protest.

DBPS condemns Reasi terrorist attack

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Dogra Brahman Pratinidhi Sabha (DBPS) Parade strongly condemned the heinous terrorist attack on pilgrims in Reasi & demanded that the Central Government should take serious note of escalating terrorist activities in J&K to ensure the safety and security of citizens.

Addressing a joint meeting of various social, religious organizations in the premises of the sabha today, President of the Dogra Brahman Pratinidhi Sabha Chankaya Chowk Parade, Jammu, Ved Parkash Sharma, Chairman of the Sabha

Adv. P.C Sharma, Senior BJP Leader Chander Mohan Sharma, NMC President Subash Shastri, Jammu Yatri Bhawan General Secretary Gurdas Sharma, DBPS Youth President Ritiz Khajuria, Retd. Deputy Commissioner BS Jammal & others termed the attack in sinful and most coward act they shared the pain and shock of the family of the those killed and injured in the terrorist attack.

"This attack on Hindu Pilgrims was aimed at shaking the secular fabric of this country in which the evil design of the terrorists and their masters would never succeed" they added. V.M. Magotra, N.C.

Sharma, Madan Lal Sharma, Satyanand Sharma, Shiv Ram Sharma, Soujanya Sharma, Devinder Sharma (Baboo) Raman Sharma, Sunil Sharma, Prem Balotra, Brita Ram, Sat Pal Sharma, Sanjeev Kerni, Deepak Sharma and Ramesh Sharma and other said that militants and anti-national elements are relentlessly attempting to disrupt the peaceful atmosphere of J&K and demanded that the Government should brace-up security grid and mobilize intelligence network to ensure that such horrendous attacks should be stopped in the coming time.

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Lt Governor visited hospitals to enquire about health of pilgrims, who were injured in Reasi terror attack

each for the next of kin of the pilgrims martyred and Rs. 50,000 each for those injured in Reasi terror attack.

Rajasthan Police arrests additional SP's husband in 2021 SI recruitment paper leak case

recruitment test. He is being interrogated," ADG (ATS & SOG) V K Singh said. Officials claim that Kaler was active in paper leaks and facilitating cheating in competitive exams using Bluetooth-enabled devices since his termination from service.

Kaler was selected as a police sub-inspector in 1991 but was arrested and terminated from service in 1993 for looting hawala money while being posted in Deedwana, Nagaur, police officials said. According to them, in 1995, Kaler opened a coaching institute named Chanakya in

Jodhpur and shifted to Bikaner in 2006 after marrying Namita Khokhar, a grade-III teacher. Presently Khokhar is working as an additional SP at the Rajasthan police headquarters.

J&K Govt Orders minor reshuffle in Administration

Administrative Secretary, Revenue Department, in addition to his own duties, till further orders.

Chemist found dead with his throat slit in Kathua

the officials said. Hundreds of people, carrying Sharma's body, blocked Jammu-Pathankot highway and the nearby railway track in nearby Hiranagar area around 9 am this morning, the officials said.

The protesters dispersed within two hours on the assurance of police and civil officers that a case was registered and further investigation is on to bring the culprits to book, they said.

Delhi Court fixes June

18 for Engineer Rashid's interim bail plea to take Oath as MP

Rashid had moved the court seeking interim bail, or custody parole in the alternative, to take oath and perform his parliamentary functions.

He has been in jail since 2019 after he was charged by the NIA under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention), 1967 Act (UAPA) in the alleged terror funding case. He is lodged in Tihar jail at present.

The former MLA's name cropped up during the investigation of Kashmiri businessman Zahoor Watali, who the NIA had arrested for allegedly funding terrorist groups and separatists in the valley.

The NIA had filed a charge sheet against several individuals, including Kashmiri separatist leader Yasin Malik, Lashkar-e-Taiba founder Hafiz Saeed and Hizbul Mujahideen chief Syed Salahuddin, in the case.

Malik was awarded life imprisonment by a trial court in 2022 after he pleaded guilty to the charges.

At least two 'Terrorists' involved in Reasi attack: SSP Mohita Sharma

hospitals," she said.

The SSP further said that five teams have been formed to conduct the search operation in the dense forest area in and around the incident spot.

Bhushan Uppal, a former Sarpanch claimed that the firing continued for about 15-20 minutes and the driver was shot in the head.

"As soon as we came to know that terrorists attacked the vehicle, we rushed to the spot and started rescuing people travelling in the bus which was targeted by the terrorists. When we asked the injured people, they told us that one of the terrorists shot the bus driver in the head. The driver lost control and the vehicle fell into the ditch. They (terrorists) did not stop firing and kept firing for 15 to 20 minutes, because of which some passengers also sustained bullet injuries," he said.

The Indian Army and State Disaster Response Force are also present at the site. Drones are also being used to search the forest area.

According to officials, the bus, en route from the Shiv Khori shrine to Katra, was targeted by terrorists at around 6.10 pm when it reached the Pouni area of Reasi district, bordering Rajouri district.

"Terrorists opened fire, causing the driver to lose control and the bus to plunge into a gorge," they said.

Reasi Terror Attack | NIA

team reaches J&K, to coordinate with local Police

fire at the 53-seater bus, on its way from the Shiv Khori temple to the Mata Vaishno Devi shrine in Katra, causing it to veer off the road and fall into a deep gorge near the Teryath village of the Poni area on Sunday. The bus was ferrying pilgrims from Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and Delhi.

Officials said nine people, including a two-year-old boy from Rajasthan and a 14-year-old from Uttar Pradesh, died in the attack.

They added that 41 people aged between three and 50 were injured in the ambush. Of them, 10 suffered gunshot injuries.

Punjab man dies, several others injured in Sonamarg road accident

individual namely Tarseem Lal son of Nathu Ram resident of Janipur Gurdaspur Punjab died on spot.

The official said the injured were shifted to PHC Sonamarg for treatment. Meanwhile police have taken cognizance and started an investigation.

Maharashtra wrestler Mohinder lifts 102nd International Bhatyari Korga Dangal title

Top News Report

KATRA, June 10: Wrestler Mohinder Gaikward of Maharashtra lifted "102nd International Bhatyari Korga Dangal Title 2024" by defeating wrestler Dinesh Guleria of District Jhajjar in Harayana in the first main bout that lasted for 11 minutes.

Dangal was organized by Rural Development Forum Bhatyari Korga (Regd.) in association with J&K Indian Style Wrestling Association under the overall supervision of Ashok Kumar Sawhney (President), Vijay Kumar, Sat Paul Verma and Ram Paul Sharma. Winner of first bout Wrestler Mohinder Gaikward was awarded with cash prize of Rs. 2,50,000 along with traditional "Gurj (Gadda) and Patta" by Shiv Kumar Sharma, President J&K Indian Style Wrestling Association while runner-up wrestler Dinesh Guleria got Rs. 1,50,000/-. Prize money of first bout was contributed by Ram Paul Sharma and his team.

2nd bout was won by Shiva of



Maharashtra who defeated wrestler Benia Min of J&K Police, resident of Basantgarh in District Udhampur. Winner wrestler Shiva was awarded with cash prize of Rs. 91,000 while runner-up wrestler Benia got Rs. 60,000. The prize money of 2nd bout was given by Ex. Sarpanch Mohan Lal and family members of Sawhney Parivar namely Ashok Kumar Sawhney, Rajinder Kumar Sawhney, Naresh Kumar and Ajay Kumar Sawhney.

3rd bout was won by Mir Mohd. of Iran who defeated wrestler

Lovepreet of Khanna in Punjab. Winner wrestler Mir Mohd. got Rs. 60,000 while runner-up wrestler lovepreet got Rs. 40,000. 4th bout was won by Ishaq Ahmed (Lallu) of J&K Police who defeated wrestler Ashish of Harayana. Winner Lallu got Rs. 31,000/- while runner-up Lovepreet got Rs. 20,000. Shiv Kumar Sharma, Former Joint Secretary J&K State Sports Council and Senior Vice President Indian Style Wrestling Association of India Shiv Kumar Sharma graced the occasion as the chief guest.

Serving humanity is true tribute to Guru Arjan Dev's Martyrdom: Tony

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: The martyrdom day of Guru Arjan Dev Ji was observed with great reverence at Gurdwara Singh Sabha, Rani Talab Digiana, Jammu. Hundreds of devotees thronged the Gurdwara to seek the blessings of Guru Arjan Dev Ji.

Taranjit Singh Tony, DDC Suchetgarh and Chairman of Gurdwara Singh Sabha, along with S. Mahinder Singh, President of Guru Singh Sabha, were present to commemorate the event. Speaking on the occasion, Taranjit Singh Tony underscored the paramount importance of serving humanity as the most genuine homage to Guru Arjan Dev's martyrdom. He eloquently elucidated the profound teachings and noble sacrifices of Guru Arjan Dev Ji, emphasizing their



enduring relevance in today's world.

The senior Congress leader urged the people to imbibe the essence of Guru Arjan Dev Ji's teachings by embracing the path of selfless service and compassion towards all beings. He emphasized that true devotion lies not only in ritualistic practices but also in actively contributing to the welfare of others.

Through his heartfelt

address, Tony inspired the gathering to translate their reverence for Guru Arjan Dev Ji into tangible acts of kindness and benevolence, fostering a spirit of unity and goodwill in society.

In honor of Guru Arjan Dev Ji, Guru Ka Langar and Chabeel (refreshing drinks) were organized for the devotees. The event was marked by a spirit of unity and devotion, reflecting the core values of Sikhism.

Manjit demands revamp of developmental activities in Parmandal



Top News Report

SAMBA, June 10: Apni Party Provincial President, Jammu, and Former Minister, S. Manjit Singh has demanded revamp of developmental activities in Parmandal Block in Samba District.

As per a press release, the Former Minister chaired a meeting at Utter Behni area in Parmandal in which he was informed about various issues being confronted by the residents.

Addressing the meeting, S. Manjit Singh said that the development has stopped in the Parmandal Block, particularly in Utter Behni where the religious

tourists visit.

"The developmental activities apparently have no priority for the authorities in Utter Behni although the area has prime importance to attract religious tourists from across Jammu and Kashmir as well as across the country," he said, expressing concern over the poor condition of roads, lanes, and drains.

He said that the issue multiplies with the irregular supply of drinking water supply and unscheduled power cuts in the area especially when the heatwave has gripped the region.

He said that the authorities should fix the issues

being faced by the people, but it appears that the concerned departments hardly listen to the public grievances and the Govt lacks the accountability of the officials, who are responsible to provide basic amenities and ensure all round development.

Welcoming the initiative for holding assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir, he said that the elected Govt will provide a relief to the general masses. "At present, the people are not being given heed by the authorities. The developmental activities have been hampered because the officials are not held accountability for their poor performance," he added.

He said that if the Apni Party forms the next Govt in Jammu and Kashmir, the Party would ensure speed up of the pending developmental works equally in all the areas, and regions.

ASSOCHAM announces new office bearers for northern regional states

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) today announced the appointment of its new office bearers for the Northern Region and various states for the current financial year.

These appointments underscore ASSOCHAM's commitment to fostering regional development and enhancing the business environment across the northern states and union territories.

The newly appointed office bearers are distinguished leaders from various industries, bringing a wealth of experience and expertise in their respective domains.

Manik Batra, Director of the newly appointed office bearers is distinguished leaders from various industries, bringing a wealth of experience and expertise in their respective domains.

Similarly, Gekel Phunchuk, heading the organization - Pro Environs,



has been appointed as Chairman Ladakh UT Development Council. He will spearhead initiatives in Ladakh to tap into the region's unique potential.

The North Regional Council of ASSOCHAM will be chaired by Kulwin Seehra, Executive Director, GNA Axles.

Rakesh Bhalla, CFO, SML ISUZU Limited has been reappointed as Chairman, ASSOCHAM Chandigarh UT Development Council and Drishmeet Singh Buttar, Managing Partner, Healing Hospital - Super Speciality Hospital, Chandigarh as Co-Chairman, ASSOCHAM Chandigarh UT Development Council.

ASSOCHAM appointed Vijay Sharma, Director, Jindal Stainless as Chairman, ASSOCHAM Haryana State Development Council. Jyoti Prakash Gadia, Managing Director, Resurgent India Limited & P.K. Jain, CEO, TCI

Global (A DIV of TCI LTD) and Group HR & ADMIN Head, TCIL, both will be Co-Chair, ASSOCHAM Haryana State Development Council.

Suresh Garg, Chairman and Managing Director, Zeon Lifesciences Ltd has been appointed as Chairman, ASSOCHAM Himachal State Development Council.

ASSOCHAM appointed Abhi Bansal, Director, Saraswati Group Of Companies as Chairman, ASSOCHAM Punjab State Development Council and Iqbal Cheema, Executive Director, Punjab Film City as Co-Chairman, ASSOCHAM Punjab State Development Council.

These leaders will play a crucial role in driving ASSOCHAM's initiatives in their respective regions, promoting investment, fostering industrial growth, and facilitating dialogue between the

government and industry stakeholders.

ASSOCHAM is confident that these appointments will significantly contribute to the economic development of the northern region and states, nurturing a conducive environment for business growth and investment.

More condemnation pours in about ghastly Terrorist Attack on Yatri Bus in Reasi District.

Prominent notable Kashmiri Pandit community leaders and representatives strongly condemned the heinous terrorist attack on innocent pilgrims in District Reasi in which many precious lives were lost and several severely injured.

In a Press Statement issued by notable Kashmiri Pandit leaders and representatives namely M.K. Yogi and Vinod Pandita termed this act as sinful and most cowardice and barbaric act aimed to sow seed of discord among the communities, trying to create fear to destabilize the peaceful atmosphere of J&K.

Both the leaders highly appreciated the swift action of our brave security forces and emergen-

cy services for promptly executing the rescue operations on the ground where this terrorist attack was carried out.

They also appealed to union Territory and Central Governments to destroy and dismantle the small left out network of enemies outside and inside from the root once for all with iron hands.

Yogi and Pandita further said that this attack on Hindu pilgrims was aimed at shaking the secular fabric of this country. Yogi & Pandits said that these terrorists and their masterminds across the border would never succeed in their evil designs.

Both the leaders also expressed heartfelt condolences to bereaved families who lost their kith and kins in this attack and expressed deep sympathy with the injured pilgrims.

Ashok Kumar Koul, Vishal Jotshi, Vinod Bhat, Muktesh Yogi and others also condemned the ghastly terrorist attack on innocent pilgrims and appealed Government of UT and central Governments to dismantle the network of terrorists completely and expressed full faith in present regime

Dr. Parneesh condemns terrorist attack on pilgrims in Reasi

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Dr. Parneesh Mahajan, Conventor of Department of Training, BJP, J&K, today strongly condemned the terrorist attack on a bus carrying pilgrims in the Reasi district, resulting in killing of 9 pilgrims and leaving several injured.

Dr. Parneesh Mahajan, in a press statement, expressed his profound grief and anger over the senseless violence inflicted on innocent pilgrims who were on a spiritual journey. He stated, "The attack on pilgrims in Reasi is not only an attack on innocent lives

but also a direct assault on the spirit of peace and harmony that defines our great nation. This act of barbarism is unacceptable and must be met with the full force of the law."

Dr. Parneesh further said, "We stand in solidarity with the families of the victims and pray for the speedy recovery of those injured. Such acts of terrorism will not deter us from our resolve to maintain peace and uphold the values of our democracy."

The senior BJP leader called upon all sections of society to unite against the forces of terror and to work together to ensure

the safety and security of every citizen. He urged the authorities to spare no effort in bringing the perpetrators to justice and to enhance security measures in sensitive areas to prevent such incidents in the future.

Dr. Parneesh also emphasized the need for continued vigilance and cooperation between state and central agencies to combat the menace of terrorism. He assured the people that the BJP-led government is committed to taking all necessary steps to protect the nation's sovereignty and the well-being of its citizens.

Govt failed to boost industrial growth of J&K: Sadhotra

NC will make J&K a industrial hub, if voted to power: Rattan Lal

Top News Report

JAMMU June 10: Ajay Kumar Sadhotra Additional General Secretary and former minister of J&K National Conference today criticized the present dispensation for its failure to propel J&K's industrial sector into a trajectory of sustained growth. Interacting with the newly nominated office bearers of Party's Traders and Industries JKNC Wing at Sher-e-Kashmir Bhawan Jammu, Rattan Lal Gupta Provincial President Jammu Province raised serious concern over the stagnant industrial landscape in the Union Territory, highlighting the lack of effective policies and initiatives to stimulate economic development with the aim to making J&K an industrial hub.

Ajay Sadhotra Additional General Secretary and former minister asserted that except rhetoric the government has nothing for the people of J&K as record of setting up new industry in the last nearly ten years remained dismal whereas the party in power has changed scenario of industries in the states ruled by it like



Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, etc. He said as far as the dispensation here is concerned, it has expertise in only signing the MoUs worth crores of rupees and making colossal promises but on ground the situation is dwindling with industry either running on crutches or ventilators as no one from the ruling side seems to be serious about bringing a meaningful change on ground.

Rattan Lal Gupta Provincial President Jammu Province threw light on the problems being faced by the traders of Jammu region. He sought reimbursement of 5% as Financial Support to the industrial Sector on the

Sale Value of Goods sold within of Union Territory of J&K to exiting Industry, reimbursement of 100% Road Freight to Industrial Sector on Raw Materials/ Finished Goods within the UT/from outside the State by road, Issue of notification in respect of duty draw back incentive under export obligation with retrospective effect, Existing State/Central Package of Incentives should be continued for the Existing Industry enabling the existing Industrial sector to compete with stiff competition from outside UT due to abolish of Toll Tax across the UT as early as possible in time bound manner, refund of GST, unfortunately the gov-

ernment has not taken adequate measures to support and enhance the industrial sector in J&K, resulting in today the industrial sector of both Jammu and Kashmir regions are on verge of closure," he added

Gupta assured that a comprehensive reforms to revive the industrial sector by resolving the aforesaid issues on priority basis and to implement strategies that foster investment, innovation, and infrastructure development if National Conference voted in power in forthcoming Assembly election. He emphasized the necessity of a proactive approach to attract both domestic and interna-

tional investors to boost the industrial sector of Jammu and Kashmir. It will strengthen the industrial sector and create new industrial estates across the region with the aim of making J&K an industrial hub.

Later, with the approval of Rattan Lal Gupta Provincial President Jammu Province, Vikram Puri Chairman of Party's Traders and Industries JKNC Wing by appointing new members, which include Rajesh Chadha Sr. Vice President, Ashish Sharma Vice President, Aman Chemma Secretary, Karan Mahajan Joint Secretary and Pooja Puri Media Secretary.

Those who were present on this occasion:- Sheikh Bashir Ahmed Provincial Secretary Jammu, Bimla Luthra State Vice President Women wing and former MLA, Abdul Gani Teli Chairman OBC Cell, Vijay Lochan Chairman SC Cell, Vijay Laxmi Datta Sr. leader women wing, Rakesh Singh Raka Vice President Central Zone, Dilshad Malik Vice President Central Zone, Tejinder Singh District President Jammu Urban YNC and others.

DPS Jammu students shine in district Jammu Taekwondo Championship

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Students of Delhi Public School (DPS) Jammu brought laurels to the school and their parents by winning gold medal, silver medals & Bronze medal, certificate of J&K UT Taekwondo Championship 2024 organised by Taekwondo Association of Jammu & Kashmir under the banner of (IT) India Taekwondo held at Baby Caters Hall Rehari Colony Jammu from 07-8th June, 2024.



GOLD: Kyra Thakyal (Prep-C), Bhavyam Verma (II-E), Kavyansh Patyal (III-E), Anika Gupta (IV-A), Tejshree Singh (VIII-J), Atharv Mahajan (VIII-B), and

Dhruv Sharma (X-B), SILVER: Aranya Mahajan (IX-E), BRONZE: Shaurya Sharma (IX-C).

The Management DPS Jammu under the leadership of President-RCT, Ajatshatru Singh, Pro VC, Dr. Ritu Singh, Director, S.S Sodhi along with Principal-DPS Jammu, Ruchi Chabra and staff congratulated the entire team members and their coach, Suresh Kumar.

Further, they also extended their best wishes to them for all their future endeavours.

Jasprit Bumrah is a genius, want him in this kind of mindset throughout World Cup: Rohit Sharma after win over Pakistan

Bumrah was magnificent in India's 6-run victory over Pakistan in which he had figures of 3/14 in 4 overs

NEW YORK, Jun 10 (Agencies): India captain Rohit Sharma has termed Jasprit Bumrah as a genius and wants his lethal weapon to perform at the same level for the entire duration of the T20 World Cup.

Bumrah was magnificent in India's six-run victory over Pakistan in which he had figures of 3/14 in four overs which included an astounding 15 dot balls while defending a paltry total of 119 on Sunday.

"He is going from strength to strength (Bumrah). We all know what he can do. Not going to talk too much about him.

"We want him to be in that mindset throughout the World Cup. He is a genius, we all know that," Rohit said, praising one of India's greatest fast bowlers.

Rohit said India had the belief that they would win the match because the pitch was not that conducive for batting.

"With a bowling line-up like that you feel confident to do the job. Halfway through the stage when they were batting, we got everyone together and said that if it can happen to us, it can happen to them."

The skipper, however, did admit that they should have batted better after being 89 for 3 at one stage.

"We didn't bat well enough.



Halfway through our innings we were in a good position. We didn't put enough partnerships there and fell short with the bat," Rohit said about losing seven wickets for 28 runs.

"There was enough on the pitch. It was a good wicket to be honest, compared to the last game."

"A little contribution from everyone can make a huge difference."

Bumrah, who has now won back-to-back man of the match awards, felt that the pitch was slightly easier for batting in the second half as the sun came out.

But he said the entire bowling unit was very disciplined in its effort.

"It feels really good. We felt we were a little under and the

wicket got a little better after the sun came out. We were really disciplined so it feels good."

Since it was a two-paced wicket, the idea was to hit the seam and get some lateral movement, said Bumrah.

"Tried to hit the seam as much as I could, tried to be as clear as I could with my execution and it all came out well so I felt happy," he said.

Both Rohit and Bumrah acknowledged the vociferous support that they had received at the Nassau Cricket County Ground.

"Felt like we were playing in India, really happy with the support and that gives us energy on the field. We focus on the now.

"We've played two games and played really well. You stick to your processes and look to play

well."

Dot balls cost us the match Pakistan skipper Babar Azam felt that the 59 dot balls which they conceded during their chase became the turning point.

"We bowled well. In the batting, we lost back-to-back wickets and consumed too many dot balls. Again, we weren't up to the mark in the first six," he said. Asked about the strategy, Babar said it was about playing normal cricket.

"Tactics were simple to play normally. Just strike rotation and the odd boundary. But in that period, we had too many dot balls. Can't expect much from tail-enders."

Babar had a contrarian view on the surface unlike many who felt the ball wasn't coming onto the bat.

"Pitch looked decent. The ball was coming on nicely. It was a little bit slow, and some balls had extra bounce," he said.

Pakistan will have to win against Canada and Ireland by big margins and hope that the US don't beat one among Ireland or India to enter the Super Eight stage.

"Have to win the last two matches. Will sit and discuss our mistakes but looking forward to the last two matches."

Sandeep Lamichhane To Join Nepal T20 World Cup Squad In West Indies



KATHMANDU, Jun 10 (Agencies): Sandeep Lamichhane will join Nepal's T20 World Cup squad in the West Indies after missing matches in the United States because his visa was denied, the cricket association said Monday. Nepal had originally wanted to select former skipper Lamichhane, who had an eight-year sentence for rape quashed on appeal, but his US visa was denied twice despite intense lobbying. The T20 World Cup is being co-hosted by the United States and West Indies. "Nepali player Sandeep Lamichhane will leave for the West Indies for the ongoing ICC T20 World Cup and join the Nepali national cricket team," association secretary Paras Khadka said in a statement. Spin bowler Lamichhane, 23, was once the

poster boy for cricket in Nepal, but was convicted for raping a young woman in a Kathmandu hotel in 2022. That was quashed last month.

"I am now joining the national team for the last two matches in the West Indies and looking forward to fulfilling my dreams and the dream of all cricket lovers," Lamichhane posted on X, formerly Twitter.

"To all our cricket fans and people back home everywhere who prayed for me, I will forever be grateful for your blessings."

His social media posts with the announcement were welcomed by fans and filled with congratulatory messages.

Nepal lost to the Netherlands by six wickets in their World Cup opener.

They play Sri Lanka on Wednesday in Florida, before group matches in the West Indies against South Africa and Ban-

gladesh.

Before his rape trial, Lamichhane's success as a leg-spinner had dramatically boosted the sport's profile in the Himalayan republic.

In 2022, when an arrest warrant was first issued, Lamichhane initially failed to return from Jamaica, where he was playing in the Caribbean Premier League.

He was dismissed as national captain and arrested, but Nepal lifted his playing ban when he was freed on bail.

It allowed him to keep playing, including at last year's Asia Cup in Pakistan and Sri Lanka, until he was convicted in January. The conviction was quashed in mid-May.

Crickets does not enjoy the same attention in Nepal as it does elsewhere in South Asia.

But the sport has been growing in popularity, with Nepal given one-day international status by world governing body the ICC in 2018.

Lamichhane was a major part of the rise as the most sought-after Nepali cricketer in lucrative T20 leagues around the world.

The bowler's big break came when he was snapped up for the Indian Premier League, the world's richest cricket tournament, in 2018.

Pakistan team requires major surgery: PCB chief after defeat against India in T20 World Cup

KARACHI, Jun 10 (Agencies): Pakistan Cricket Board chairman Mohsin Naqvi came down heavily on the team management and said the Babar Azam-led side requires "major surgery" following its six-run loss against arch-rivals India in the T20 World Cup.

Chasing an underwhelming 120-run target, Pakistani batters consumed 59 dot balls to be restricted to 113 for 7 in New York on Sunday.

"I thought the team required a minor surgery to start winning matches but now it appears that we have to go for a major surgery," Naqvi was quoted as saying by the Pakistani media in New York.

Naqvi also felt that it is time to start looking at players who are sitting outside the team for some time now.



"It is very disappointing the way we lost to the US and now this loss to India.

We need to now start looking at players beyond those in the team right now," he said.

Naqvi, who took over as chairman in January and later also became the interior minister in the government, made it clear that the PCB had done everything to facilitate the players.

"Why the team is not performing is something

everyone is asking.

The World Cup is still on. But obviously we will sit down and take a look at everything."

Pakistan's Super Eight chances now rest on winning big against Canada and Ireland, besides hoping the US lose to India and Ireland.

Even in that scenario both the teams will end on four points each and it will come down to the net run rate.

Today at T20 World Cup: High-on-confidence Bangladesh aim to take down unbeaten South Africa

NEW YORK, Jun 10 (Agencies): Bangladesh and South Africa are all set to face each other in a Group D match of the T20 World Cup 2024 on Monday, June 10. The Nassau County International Cricket Stadium in New York will host the contest.

South Africa, led by Aiden Markram, are sitting on top of the table with 4 points and a net run rate of +0.789. Another win will almost seal their berth in the top 2. Their pace attack, comprising Otneil Baartman, Anrich Nortje, Kagiso Rabada and Marco Jansen, has been stupendous, to say the least.

Nortje was struggling for form, but he is currently the leading wicket-taker for the Proteas with 6 scalps in the tournament. Jansen could not make a breakthrough against Sri Lanka, but he accounted for 4 wickets against the Dutch team.

South Africa, however, need to take care of their batting. Had it not been for David Miller's unbeaten 59, they would have lost to the Netherlands in New York.

Bangladesh, on the other



hand, had a close shave against Sri Lanka. Chasing a modest target of 124, the Tigers had loads of ups and downs. Towhid Hridoy took the attack to Wanindu Hasaranga, hitting the leg-spinner for 3 sixes in a row before getting out.

Mahmudullah, in the end, held his nerves to take Bangladesh past the finish line under pressure. Leg-spinner Rishad Hossain was a huge positive after he picked up 3 wickets and gave Tigers the faith that they could have a genuine leggie at the international level.

SA vs BAN Head-to-Head South Africa and Bangladesh have faced each other 8 times since their first meeting back in 2007. The Proteas have won every other time. In the T20 World Cups, South Africa have a 3-0 lead over the Tigers. In their previous meeting on October 27, the Proteas beat Bangladesh by 104 runs at the iconic Sydney Cricket Ground.

SA vs BAN: Team News As per reports, Soumya Sarkar might be dropped after he bagged a duck against Sri Lanka. If he doesn't play, the

Tigers have Jaker Ali Anik as a replacement. In that case, Litton Das would go back to opening the batting with Tanzid Hasan Tamim. Oman, on the other hand, can bring in fast bowler Fayyaz Butt, who has 45 T20I wickets to his name from 43 games, to strengthen their bowling attack.

SA vs BAN: Pitch Report The pitch in New York is expected to be bowling friendly. Batters need to grind it out to score big at the venue. Fast bowlers are expected to get a lot of assistance from the surface.

SA vs BAN: Probable Playing XI

South Africa: Quinton de Kock (wk), Reeza Hendricks, Aiden Markram (c), Heinrich Klaasen, David Miller, Tristan Stubbs, Marco Jansen, Keshav Maharaj, Kagiso Rabada, Anrich Nortje, Otneil Baartman.

Bangladesh: Tanzid Hasan Tamim, Soumya Sarkar, Litton Das (wk), Najmul Hossain Shanto (c), Towhid Hridoy, Shakib Al Hasan, Mahmudullah, Rishad Hossain, Taskin Ahmed, Mustafizur Rahman, Tanzim Hasan Sakib.

Demoralised Pakistan eyes big win against Canada to keep T20 World Cup hopes alive

NEW YORK, Jun 10 (Agencies): Shocked by the USA and scarred by India, Pakistan have little to play for and everything to lose when they meet Canada in their penultimate group league encounter of the T20 World Cup here on Tuesday.

If the Super Over loss against the co-hosts in their opening Group A match was not enough, Pakistan slumped to six-run loss at the hands of arch-rivals India in a low-scoring match here on Sunday.

There seems to be no clarity in Babar Azam's leadership. The two factions in the team -- one led by the skipper with his close friends Mohammed Rizwan and Shadab Khan while other including, recently sacked Shaheen Shah Afridi is also making matters worse.

Not a single department clicked for Pakistan in the two matches so far and they will need a more cohesive effort in the remaining matches to give themselves an outside chance.

While Babar and Shadab Khan

USA after two wins enjoy a healthy run-rate of +0.626 and just a victory against Ireland would suffice while Pakistan with a dismal NRR of -0.150 would not only need to win but also by comprehensive margins.

In the two matches so far, the 2009 champions never really looked the formidable side it was once known to be.

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While Babar and Shadab Khan



scored 40 odd runs against USA to post 159 for 7, Pakistan failed to defend the target, losing the match in Super Over.

And then while chasing an underwhelming 120-run target, none of the Pakistani batters could up the ante as they consumed 59 dot balls to be restricted 113 for 7.

Pakistan's major concern going forward is the underwhelming performance of their batters as the likes of Fakhar Zaman, Imad Wasim, Shadab Khan and Iftikhar Ahmed played loose shots to make life difficult for them against India.

While Mohammed Rizwan took 44 balls to score his 31 runs,

Wasim consumed 23 balls for his 15.

The only bright spot for Pakistan on Sunday was the performance of their bowlers with Naseem Shah (3/21) and Mohammad Amir (2/23) leading from the front.

But premier fast bowler Shaheen needs to take more responsibility upfront in the remaining two games to give Pakistan an outside chance.

He has hardly been able to get swing in conducive conditions.

Going forward Pakistan will have to do some soul searching if they want to revive their faltering campaign.

Canada, on the other hand, are placed third in Group A with one win out of two games.

After the seven-wicket loss to USA, Canada bounced back in style to beat Ireland by 12 runs in their next match.

In Navneet Dhaliwal, Canada have a veteran top-order batter

who was a part of that 2019 victory over Ireland, and a lot will be riding on him.

Canada will also take heart from the defeat against the USA because they had posted an imposing 194, albeit in a losing cause.

Teams (from): Canada: Saad Bin Zafar (captain), Aaron Johnson, Ravinderpal Singh, Navneet Dhaliwal, Kaleem Sana, Dillon Heyliger, Jeremy Gordon, Nikhil Dutta, Pargat Singh, Nicholas Kirton, Rayyan Khan Pathan, Junaid Siddiqui, Dilpreet Bajwa, Shreyas Movva and Rishiv Joshi.

Pakistan squad: Babar Azam (c), Abrar Ahmed, Azam Khan, Fakhar Zaman, Haris Rauf, Iftikhar Ahmed, Imad Wasim, Mohammad Abbas Afridi, Mohammad Amir, Mohammad Rizwan, Naseem Shah, Saim Ayub, Shadab Khan, Shaheen Shah Afridi, Usman Khan.

SMVDU Outreach Programme held at GCW Parade

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU) conducted an interactive outreach programme for the students of Govt. College for Women (GCW) Parade, to foster a strong connection with students and faculty. This initiative was taken up under the active patronage of Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Pragati Kumar to take the opportunities available under various research projects especially those supported by Higher Education Department of J&K Government for the students of Degree Colleges of the UT. The event was held recognizing the potential impact of such engagements in overall development of student community while underscoring the university's commitment to community engagement and academic excellence. Dr. Shafaq Rasool, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, provided an insightful introduction to SMVDU, highlighting the university's mission, vision, and values. Attendees were



then given a virtual tour of the SMVDU campus, highlighting its state-of-the-art facilities and vibrant student life.

Dr. S. K. Wanchoo, Dean, Faculty of Sciences engaged the participants in an insightful discussion and explained what sets SMVDU apart, focusing on unique academic programs and cutting-edge research opportunities besides four new programs B. Tech in Biotechnology, B. Tech in Mathematics and Computing, Design Your Degree, and Bachelor of Design from the Academic session 2024-2025.

Dr. Naveen Gondhi, Faculty in charge of the Network Centre, gave a brief overview of the digital space at SMVDU,

ensuring seamless communication and access to resources for students and staff.

A panel consisting of Dr. Sharada Potukuchi (School of Biotechnology), Ashish Suri, (School of Electronics & Communication Engineering), and Dr. Rakesh Kumar (School of Biotechnology), shared insights into the research-driven potential activities available for students at SMVDU. They highlighted various ongoing projects and encouraged students to engage in research activities that can significantly enhance their academic and professional growth.

Dr. Rashmi Tagar (School of Business), Dr. S. S. Sharma (School of Phi-

losophy and Culture) Dr. Isha Malhotra (School of Languages and Literature), Dr. Sandeep Sharma (School of Mathematics), Dr. Arif B. Dar (School of Economics) also interacted with the students and faculty on the side-lines at the event. Prof. Ravindra Tickoo, Principal GCW Parade while addressing the attendees appreciated the efforts put in by the team in reaching out to the students and faculty of his college and expected that this will be helpful to them.

He appreciated the work done by the University and made a mention of some prominent alumni who are spread across the globe. He urged the University to deepen its

engagement with students and faculty members of the Degree Colleges of the UT for their benefit. An interactive session with more than 150 students was conducted, allowing them to ask questions and gain clarity on various aspects of life at SMVDU.

In a gesture of goodwill, SMVDU presented a token of gratitude and appreciation to Prof. Ravindra Tickoo, Principal GCW Parade, acknowledging his support and cooperation in facilitating this outreach program.

The session concluded with feedback from the participants and a group photograph to commemorate the event. The event was coordinated jointly by Dr. S. K. Wanchoo, Dr. Shafaq Rasool from SMVDU and Dr. Gurpreet Kour and Prof. Ravindra Tickoo from GCW Parade.

This outreach marks a significant step in SMVDU's mission to provide valuable growth opportunities and foster future leaders.

NC leaders distribute essential items among needy people

JKNC committed to ensure welfare of poor and needy: Abrol

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: J&K National Conference on Monday organized a programme at the old city, wherein essential items including milk bags, Rice, spices, turmeric, pulses etc were distributed among the poor and needy people.

On the occasion, Ankush Abrol, Provincial Joint Secretary was the chief guest. The programme was organised by Secretary, Central Zone & Coordinator Jammu District (Urban) JKNC, Dr. Vikas Sharma.

Speaking on the occasion, Ankush Abrol emphasized on the need to extend all sorts of help to the poor and needy people. He said, "National Conference believes in the philosophy of equality. Party always work for upliftment of poor people and devise policies for uplifting their living standard. Land to tiller was made possible during the rule of NC and many more



such schemes were initiated by the NC government during its rule."

Abrol urged the NC cadre to organize such philanthropic activities to help the needy people.

Also speaking, Dr. Vikas Sharma lambasted the present dispensation for inflicting sufferings on the poor and deprived classes and demanded such steps should be taken which would ease the living of poor masses.

He also said, "National Conference has been doing social works from time to time and always remains on the front line to help the needy persons indiscriminately." Highlighting achieve-

ments under NC rule, especially during the times of Sher-e-Kashmir Sheikh Mohd. Abdullah, Dr. Farooq Abdullah and Omar Abdullah, he said "lots of revolutionary steps in Jammu & Kashmir were initiated to inculcate the spirit of Unity, Integrity, Prosperity as well as brotherhood to work for overall development/welfare of the people of J&K, in general, and especially the downtrodden sections of the society in particular." Among those who were present on the occasion include Ashwani Dubey, Vikram Gupta, Mohd Umer Farooq, Atul sharma and others.

Kaffberry hosts star-studded event for 'Chandu Champion' film crew

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Kaffberry - a premier restaurant of Jammu and Kashmir last evening, in a gala event held here, hosted the entire cast of Bollywood film Chandu Champion including its director Kabir Khan, lead actor Kartik Aaryan, Co-producer of the film Rajesh Bhatt and Vivaan Khan, Kabir Khan's son. Well known Bollywood film promoter Karan Kapoor and his entire team joined by members of Nagpal family, the owners of a chain of restaurants and resorts facilitated the event and ensured that Bollywood actors, producers and their entire team gets to witness Jammu's hospitality.

The entire crew of Chandu Champion right after the promotion event held at Gulshan Ground drove to Kaffberry and were received by Karan Kapoor and his team and led to the main venue where the lead actors and his team were seated to enjoy the ongoing T20 cricket match over a lavish dinner. Kabir Khan and Kartik Aaryan were appreciative of the Jammu's iconic place and promised to visit the city of temples again to shoot more films and for the promotion of their films.

Fascinated by the hospitality and protocol of Nagpal's family, the film actor and film director

spent almost two hours at the venue and discussed their upcoming projects. Despite being a pure vegetarian restaurant, the guests complimented Karan Kapoor and Nagpals for giving Jammu such a wonderful place and serving them the best cuisine and dishes that have been in trend in metro cities alone.

While relishing the multi cuisines, the entire team of Chandu Champion also went around the place, appreciated its ambience, felt honoured by the hospitality of hosts and said that they had a wonderful experience being at a place having great vibe and still great ambience. Kabir Khan and Kartik Aaryan thanked Karan Kapoor for getting them connected to the Nagpal family who, according to them, played perfect hosts.

They added that this was the first ever Bollywood movie that chose Jammu as their best destination to promote film and get connected with people of this beautiful city that's known as City of Temples. The management of Kaffberry and their experienced chefs hosted over 50 guests of Chandu Champion including notable Bollywood celebrities.

It may be recalled that Chandu Champion has become the first film to announce its advance booking at the iconic Burj Khalifa in Dubai. Celebrat-

ing the big moment, Kartik also shared some of his experiences as Murlikant Petkar, his main character in the film. During dinner, he also mentioned that 'Chandu Champion' has been produced by Sajid Nadiadwala and the film is based on a real-life sportsperson which will be released in cinemas on June 14, 2024. Kartik Aryan had played the ostensible role in the film.

During his stay at Kaffberry Kartik Aaryan also spoke about his massive physical transformation that he underwent for Chandu Champion. He was informed that, impressed by the life of the living legend Mr Murlikant Petkar, he chose to shun laziness and become a stronger human being besides fitness freak. The director Kabir Khan also revealed how Kartik Aaryan worked hard on himself for the movie and showed massive transformation. Later, Karan Kapoor and his team besides Nagpals expressed their gratitude to the film crew for choosing Jammu as their destination for film promotion.

Earlier in the day, the promotional event was held at Gulshan ground by Ajit Singh, an event director based in Jammu and the founder of Legends Dance and Fitness Studio. The event was well organised in presence of soldiers of the Indian.

Sajad Reshi condemns terrorist attack in Reasi

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Er. Sajad Reshi, the IT Head of J&K BJP Minority Morcha, has strongly condemned the heinous terrorist attack on a bus carrying pilgrims in Reasi. The attack resulted in the tragic loss of at least 10 lives and left 33 others injured.

Er. Sajad Reshi expressed deep sorrow and anguish over this senseless act of violence, targeting innocent pilgrims. He stated, "This cowardly attack on peaceful pilgrims is an act of terror that must be condemned in the strongest possible terms. Our hearts go out to the families of those who lost their lives, and we pray for the swift recovery of the injured."

In his statement, Er. Sajad Reshi urged the Lieutenant Governor's administration to take immediate action in providing the necessary relief and support to the victims and their families.

"The affected individuals deserve every possible assistance and care during this difficult time. I call upon the LG administration to ensure that the best medical care is provided to the injured and that the families of the deceased receive adequate support and compensation," he said.

Er. Sajad Reshi also highlighted the need for enhanced security measures to prevent such attacks in the future and to ensure the safety of all citizens, particularly those undertaking pilgrimages. "We must stand united against terrorism and work collectively to eradicate this menace from our society. I urge the authorities to intensify their efforts in maintaining peace and security in the region," he added.

The BJP Minority Morcha stands in solidarity with the victims and their families and reaffirms its commitment to working towards a safer and more secure Jammu & Kashmir.

8 Students of AESL from Jammu achieve top ranks in JEE Advanced 2024

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL), the national leader in test preparatory services, announced the outstanding achievement of 8 of its students from Jammu who became top scorers in the prestigious JEE Advanced 2024 examination.

This remarkable feat is a testament to their hard work, dedication, and the high-quality coaching provided by AESL. The results were released by IIT Madras.

Notable students are Mohammad Maayiz Mattoo who secured AIR 2977 and Musab Bin Bashir secured AIR 3207 amongst others.

The students enrolled in AESL's classroom program to prepare for JEE Advanced, widely regarded as one of the toughest entrance exams globally.

They attribute their remarkable success to their rigorous understanding of concepts and strict adherence to a

disciplined study schedule. "We are grateful that Aakash has helped us with both. But for the content and coaching from AESL, we would not have grasped many concepts in different subjects in a short period of time," the students expressed.

Congratulating the students on their extraordinary achievement, Parmeshwar Jha, Regional Director, Aakash Educational Services Limited (AESL), said, "We congratulate the students for their exemplary feat. Their achievement speaks volumes of their hard work and dedication as well as the support of their parents. We wish our students all the best in their future endeavors."

JEE Advanced is conducted annually for students who have qualified JEE Mains organized by one of the IITs yearly. While JEE Main is for admission to several National Institute of Technologies (NITs) and other center-aided engineering colleges in

India, JEE Advanced is considered as the sole prerequisite for admission to the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT). However, Students must appear for JEE Main to sit for JEE Advanced.

A total number of 180,200 candidates appeared in both papers 1 and 2 in JEE (Advanced) 2024. A total of 48,248 candidates have qualified JEE (Advanced) 2024.

Aakash offers comprehensive IIT-JEE coaching through various course formats tailored for high school and higher secondary school students. Recently, Aakash has intensified its focus on developing Computer-Based Training. Its innovative iTutor platform delivers recorded video lectures, enabling students to engage in self-paced learning and catch up on missed sessions. Moreover, mock tests simulate real exam conditions, equipping students with the necessary familiarity and confidence to tackle the examination effectively.

Chandel warns Pakistan to stop terrorism, withdraw from POK

Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Hinduist Sanatani BJP leader Guruji Raju Chandel while talking to journalists in Jammu today said that the terrorists supported by Pakistan ambushed the devotees who had gone to visit Mata Vaishno Devi.

In a press interaction, Chandel condemned a terrorist attack on devotees attributing the act to terrorists supported by Pakistan.

Chandel described the

attack as a sign of Pakistan's frustration over Narendra Modi's recent election as Prime Minister for a third term.

Chandel called for a strong retaliatory response, including surgical strikes on Pakistan and the reclamation of Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK), where he claimed numerous terrorist training camps are located. He urged the government to eliminate these camps and inte-

grate PoK into India.

Additionally, Chandel expressed concerns about the upcoming Baba Amarnath Yatra, warning that it could also be targeted by terrorists. He demanded enhanced security for the operators of religious services (langars) and criticized the Jammu and Kashmir administration for failing to provide adequate protection to Hindu leaders involved in these activities.

TMF condemns terrorists attack on pilgrimage



Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: Vijay Sharma, Chairman of Team Mask Force, has strongly condemned the recent terrorist attack on the pilgrimage to Shiv Khouri. He criticized both the Union and the Union Territory (UT) administrations for failing to address such militant activities effectively, despite their claims of curbing militancy in Jammu and Kashmir

Union Territory (JKUT).

This incident marks the fourth such attack in the last 36 days. Sharma appealed to the administration to adopt measures of restraint and caution across the Union Territory to prevent further attacks.

Sharma expressed his condolences to the families of those who lost their lives and prayed for the speedy recovery of the injured. He noted that leaders from various political parties have issued statements condemning the barbaric act, but he believes these are mere expressions of "lip sympathy." Sharma suggested that it is common for governments to announce the killing of the militants involved in such attacks as a form of eyewash, taking advantage of the public's short memory to regain power.

Anti Crime Bureau congratulates SP Mohan Lal Sharma



Top News Report

JAMMU, June 10: NGO, Anti Crime Bureau, Chairman Sham Lal Gupta on Monday met SP Mohan Lal Sharma in his office at Akhnoor and Congratulated him for his Promotion as SP Akhnoor.

Gupta told Mohan Lal being DSP Nagrota, Jammu performed very well his job and worked

continuously against the drug peddlers, Mohan Lal being a big member of the family, settled many mutual disputes and issues related to the people.

Gupta in his office, welcomed him with Bouquet of flowers and Presented Mata ki Chunri along with Picture of Shree Mata Vaishno Devi to him.

Mohan Lal Sharma is serving as Superinten-

dent of Police at Akhnoor, Gupta said this Honour is for his Hardwork and dedication towards his work. Gupta was accompanied by Corporator Sahil Gupta (MC Bishnah) and other Members Present in the Program were ASI Naresh Digra, Retd SI Surinder Khauria, Rakesh Kumar, Tushar Digra, Rohit Kumar, Abishek Sharma and others.