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## BRIEFLY

#### Mock drills cancelled in Jammu Kashmir amid operation Sindoor, Nationwide exercise continues

SRINAGAR, May 7 (Agencies): Civil Defence mock drills scheduled to be held across multiple districts in Jammu and Kashmir have been called off in the wake of Operation Sindoor and the prevailing security situation along the border.

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## Operation Sindoor: Govt convenes all-party meet on **Thursday**

NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): The government has convened an all-party meeting on Thursday to brief them about the strike carried out by the armed

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#### Minor reshuffle in **Police Department**

SRINAGAR, May 7 (Agencies)The government has ordered a reshuffle in the police department.

As per an order issued by the J&K Home Department, Uttam Chand, IPS, IG (POS) HQ, shall now hold the charge of IGP (Hqrs) PHQ, J&K, IG

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#### "Avoid sharing security deployment videos, Sharing will invite legal action": Cyber **Police Kashmir**

SRINAGAR, May 7 (Agencies): The Cyber Police Kashmir has issued a stern advisory to the public, warning

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#### **J&K Govt orders** reshuffle in **Police Department**

SRINAGAR, May 7 (Agencies): The Jammu and Kashmir government has ordered a major reshuffle in the police department. effecting transfers and postings of several senior officers with immediate effect.

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## **Op Sindoor: 10 family members,** 4 associates of JeM chief killed

NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): Jaishe-Mohammad (JeM) chief Maulana Masood Azhar acknowledged on Wednesday that 10 members of his family and four close associates were killed in India's missile attack on the outfit's headquarters in Bahawalpur.

A statement attributed to Azhar said those killed ■Turn to page 9



## Pakistan Army pounds villages along LoC in J&K, 12 dead

JAMMU, May 7 (Agencies): At least 12 people, including four children, were killed and 57 others injured as the Pakistan Army resorted to heavy artillery and mortar shelling on forward villages along the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu and Kashmir on Wednesday, officials said.

The intense shelling from across the border started shortly after

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India exercised right to respond, focused on dismantling terror

infrastructure: Govt



NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): The government on Wednesday said that India exercised its right to respond, preempt as well as deter more cross-border attacks such as the one in Pahalgam, and asserted that it focussed

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## **Indian Airlines Cancel** Flights; Srinagar Airport



among few shut

Indian airlines cancelled scores of flights and a few airports in north India, including Srinagar, have been shut for operations in the wake of the armed forces carrying out missile strikes on terror targets in Pakistan.

NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): Indian airlines have cancelled their flights from various cities as a few airports, including Srinagar, have also been shut for operations in the wake of the armed forces carrying out missile strikes on terror targets in Paki-

Air India said that in view of the prevailing situation, the airline has cancelled all its flights to and from Jammu, Srinagar, Leh, Jodhpur. Amritsar, Bhuj,

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## Srinagar airport closure disrupts Hajj travel plans for J&K pilgrims, 2 flights cancelled

SRINAGAR, May 7 (Agencies): Amid escalating tensions between India and Pakistan, the Jammu and Kashmir Haj Committee has officially cancelled two scheduled Hajj flights for today and tomorrow, severely disrupting travel plans for hundreds of pilgrims.

Executive Officer J&K Haj Committee, Dr Shuihat Ahmad Qureshi confirmed that Hajj flight initially scheduled for today has been cancelled due to the ongoing closure of Srinagar airport.

"Due to the prevailing situation, operations are temporarily suspended. Turn to page 9

## Shah in touch with Omar, instructs DG BSF to ensure safety measures in border areas



NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): Union Home Minister Amit Shah has spoken to Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah amid

escalating tensions between India and Pakistan, following the Operation Sindoor, which has been initiated

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## **Closely monitoring situation:** LG Sinha amid India-Pakistan border flare-up

SRINAGAR, May 7 (Agencies): Jammu and Kashmir Lt Governor Manoj Sinha Wednesday said that he took stock of the situation in border districts after India launched air strikes in Pakistan to destroy terror camps in response to Pahalgam attack.

In a post on X, the LG said that he is closely monitoring the situation

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## **CM Omar chairs emergency meet** with DCs of several J&K districts



(Agencies): Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah is chairing an emergency meeting with deputy commissioners of sev-

eral districts following flare-up between India and Pakistan along the Line of Control and the International Border after India carrier out air strikes inside Pakistan in response to Pahalgam terror attack, sources said.

Sources said that the emergency meeting, being chaired by CM

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CHOUBARSI

(08/05/2025)

Four year have passed since your noble

soul departed to heavenly abode. But

your memories are still fresh in our hearts

and mind. We miss you in every second

With deep love and everlasting remem-

brance we request your presence on

the Choubarsi of our beloved father

Sh. Dharam Prakash Sharma on

of time and every moment of day.

#### TENTH DAY

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform that 10th Day of our beloved Er. Anil Thapa, AEE, PW (R & B) S/o Late Mrs. Bimla Thapa and Prof. G. L. Thapa (Principal Retd.) R/o H. No.30, Lane no. 3, Muthi, will be performed at Shri Guru Ravidass Gurudwara, Krishna Nagar, Jammu on 09 May, 2025 (Friday) as per following program.

Satsang- 11.30 AM. Langar- 1 PM Parking is arranged at GGM Science College.

GRIEF STRICKEN:

Prof G.L. Thapa (Father) Mrs Asha Thapa (Wife)

Sons: Master Taksheel Thapa and Master Khavish Thapa Mrs Geetu and Mr. Varun Bangotra - Sister and Brother in Law Mother-in-law and Father-in-law

Mrs. Kamla Angral and Mr. Dev Raj Angral

And Whole Thapa Family

Mob: +917889359507 +919469604678 +917298220301, +919419222320 Your presence will be a source of strength and solace

#### TENTH DAY / KRIYA / RASAM PAGRI

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform that 10th Day of beloved Smt Kamla Rani W/o Sh Bhagwan Singh Jasrotia will be performed at our residence Bari Brahmana House No. 67. Ward No. 02, Jasrotia Niwas on 07th May 2025 (Wednesday) at 11:00 AM.

The Kriya and Rasam Pagri will be performed on 10th May 2025 (Sat) at our residence Bari Brahmana at 12:00 Noon.

Day 07-05-2025 Ritual Tenth Day 10-05-2025 Kriya

11:00 AM (at our Residence) 12:00 Noon (at our Residence) 10-05-2025 04:00 PM (at our Residence) GRIEF STRICKEN: Husband - Sh Bhagwan Singh Jasrotia

Brother-in-laws & Sister-in-laws Sh Puran Singh Jasrotia & Late Smt Prakasho Devi

Sh Late Jagdish Singh Jasrotia & Smt Santosh Devi

Son and Daughter-in-law Mr Dinesh Singh Jasrotia and Mrs Minakshi Jasrotia

Daughter and Son-in-law Mrs Rajni Sambyal and Mr Kulvinder Singh Sambyal Mrs Babbli Salathia and Mr Joginder Singh Salathia

Grand Children Mr Bhanu Pratap Singh and Mrs Manvi Sambyal Mrs Varsha Manhas and Mr Rohit Manhas

REMEMBRANCE

"A teacher affects etemity; he can never tell

where his influence stops."

remembers Prof. V.K. Kapoor an eminent aca-

Prof. Kapoor has been an embodiment of wis-

nurturing guidance shaped generations of legal

Vanshika, Raghuvansh, Akhil, Rudra, Aaradhaya Great Grand Child-Abhyant

mark on legal education.



**ER ANIL THAPA** (04 Apr 1979 - 30 Apr 2025)

Smt Kamla Rani

8th Day of May' 2025 (Thursday) at our

Deeply Remembered By: Smt. Rama Kemi W/o Late Sh. Shubash Kemi Ruchi & Dewakar Sharma - Daughter-in-law & Son Anjali & Vishal Sharma - Daughter-in-law & Son Natasha & Rohit Sharma - Daughter-in-law & Son

Grand Sons & Daughter Mobile: 9419225031, 9311843377, 9021144953

## CHOUBARSI

Choubarsi of our beloved father Sh. Gulab Singh Slathia (Retd. Police Inspector JKP) S/o late Sh. Chaman Singh Slathia shall be performed on 08-05-2025 Thursday at 12 Noon at our Residence Slathia Mohalla, Near Police Station Domana, Jammu.



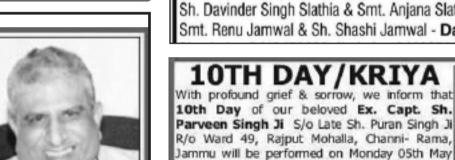
Smt. Mohni Slathia - Wife Sons & Daughters-in-law

Sh. Bhupinder Singh Slathia & Smt. Suman Slathia

Sh. Narinder Singh Slathia & Smt. Nitu Slathia

Sh. Davinder Singh Slathia & Smt. Anjana Slathia

Smt. Renu Jamwal & Sh. Shashi Jamwal - Daughter & Son-in-law



minds, leaving behind a legacy of intellectual rigor and ethical values. Beyond academia, he was a pillar of strength-inspiring students, guiding colagues, and enriching the ethos of the Law School. Today, as we honour his memory, we acknowledge his enduring contributions with deep gratitude and

THE LAW SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU

#### MOURNING/LENTH DAY KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of Karmyogi Smt Vijay Bharti Raina W/o Sh Makhan Lal Raina originally resident of Batagund Krendigam, A/P lane No 5, H.No 12, Sarswati Vihar Anand Nagar Bhori Jammu on 1st

TENTH DAY KRIYA will be performed on 10th May, 2025 (Saturday) at Muthi Ghat near Director Education Office.

GRIEF STRICKEN Sh Makhan Lal Raina (Husband)

(Sister-in-law & Brother-in-Law)

Smt Uma Shori & Sh. Badri Nath Raina Smt Santosh Raina (Sister-in-law)

Smt Ruby & Sh Kuldeep Rains (Daughter-in-Law & Son)

Smt Reena & Sh Ashok Raina (Daughter in law & Son) Smt Beauty & Sh Sanjay Raina

Smt Nancy & Sh Maharaj Krishen Pandita (Daughter & Son- in- law)

Smt Daizy & Sh Manoj Bhat (Daughter & Son- in- law) Smt Jyoti & Sh Sanjay Pandit (Daughter & Son- in- law) Smt Rita & Sh Suresh Bazaz (Daughter & Son- in- law)

Smt Anju & Sh Vijay Koul (Daughter & Son-in-law)

Smt Indu & Sh Sunil Tickoo (Daughter & Son- in- law) Smt Soniya & Sh Bipin Pandita (Daughter & Son- in- law)

Smt Vinesta & Sh Satish Bhat (Daughter & Son-In-law)

Grand Children: Uchay, Yutika, Tanish, Prateek, Manit, Lavaniya, Danika, Urvashi, Sahii, Sindhuja SAMAST RAINA PARIVAR

## TENTH DAY / UTHALA

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of Smt. Suman W/o Late Dalbir Singh Jamwal R/o 499 New Plot, Jammu on 28-04-2025. Tenth Day shall be performed at our residence on Wednesday 07-05-2025 at 10.00 am.

Uthala shall be performed at our residence on Saturday, 10-05-2025 from 2 pm to 3 pm.

Grief Stricken

Son & Daughter-in-law

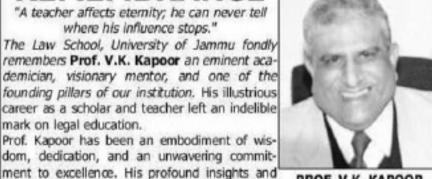
Artesh Jamwal (Vicky) & Shub Lata Rakesh Singh Jamwal (Chotu) - Son

Daughters & Son-in-laws

Ritu & Sh. Rajesh Jamwal Panku & Sh. Kapil Sambyal

Grand Children: Nandini, Basu, Trisha & Sushant Singh

Ph: 7006935917, 9419853651



PROF. V.K. KAPOOR

KARMYOGI SMT VIJAY

**BHARTI RAINA** 

Smt. Suman

Jammu will be performed on Monday 05th May 2025 at our residence at 10:00 AM. The KRIYA will be performed on Thursday (08th

May 2025) at Channi Rama Park near our residence from 8:30 AM onwards. **GRIEF STRICKEN** 

Smt. Sudarshna Jamwal -Wife

Sons and Daughters-in-law Sh. Suneet Singh Jamwal & Lt. Smt. Nisha Jamwal Sh. Goverdhan Singh Jamwal & Smt. Yogita Jamwal Daughter and Son-in-law

Smt. Anita Sambyal & Sh. Avinash Singh Jamwal Grand Sons and Grand Daughters

Mrs. Shipa & Mr. Aditya Chopra Mr. Pawan Singh Jamwal

Ms Kamakshi Jamwal, Harshvardhan Singh Jamwal, Divanshi Jamwal

CONTACT NO'S: 9906109606, 9906303933

## **BHOG & ANTIM ARDAS**

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our beloved Sardarni Santosh Kour Tandon W/o Late S. Parhori Singh Tandon. ARAMB SHRI AKHAND PATH SAHIB 9.30 am on 07-05-2025 at our residence Rehari Colony. Behind Education Board, Jammu.

BHOG SHRI AKHAND PATH SAHIB on 09-05-2025 at our residence Rehari Colony, Behind Education Board Jammu.

ANTIM ARDAS at Gurudwara Kalgidhar Sahib Rehari Chungi Jammu on 09-05-2025 from 3.30 PM to 5.00 PM.

**GRIEF STRICKEN** 

S Harjit Singh Tandon & Sdn Joginder Kour- Son & Daughter in Law S. Manjit Singh Tandon & Sdn Simran Kour -Son & Daughter in law Sdn Kuljit Kour Tandon W/o Lt S. Harbinder Singh Tandon - Daughter in Law & Son S. Inderjit Singh Tandon and Sdn Sukhdeep Kour - Son & Daughter in law S. Darshan Singh Ghai & Tript Kour- Son in Law & Daughter RS VP: 9419666190, 9596644757, 9419134739

## OBITUARY

Save Sharda Committee Kashmir Regd deeply condoles the demise of its Founder Member, Ramesh Arora, ex MLC and Sr. Add. Solicitor General. The Committee expresses deep condolences and sympathies with the bereaved family, in this hour of Grief.

> SAVE SHARDA COMMITTEE KASHMIR REGD.



RAMESH ARORA

### TENTH DAY KRIYA

WITH PROFOUND GRIEF AND SORROW WE INFORM THE SAD DEMISE OF OUR BELOVED RAJRANI BHAT.

TENTH DAY WILL BE PERFORMED ON 8TH MAY 2025 FROM 8 AM TO 10 AM AT GAURI SHANKAR TEMPLE NEW PALAM VIHAR GURGAON.

**GRIEF STRICKEN** Omkar & Rajkumari Bhat Avtar & Shobha Bhat Ashok & Sudha Bhat Kishni Kaul

SH. DHARAM

PRAKASH SHARMA

Sh. Gulab Singh Slathia

Ex. Capt. Sh. Parveen

Singh Ji

SARDARNI SANTOSH

KOUR TANDON

Krishan & Veena Khosa Grand Children & Great Grand Children Ph: 7006474732, 9810616194, 9312658554



#### TENTH DAY/KRIYA/ RASAM PAGRI

With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of our respected father Sh. Vishnu Dutt Shastri Ji on 29 April 2025.

TENTH DAY will be performed on Thursday 8th May, 2025,

Sh. Vishnu Dutt Shastri Ji Time:- 10:30 am. March 21,1938-April 29,2025 Kriva will be performed on

Friday 9th May 2025, Time:- 8:00 am to 12:30 pm RASAMPAGRI on Friday 9th May 2025.

Time: - 2 pm at our residence Ward No.12 Kathua. GRIEF STRICKEN:- Samast Shastri Pariyaar 9419117083, 9419702625, 9419150076

TENTH DAY / KRIYA / RASAM PAGRI With profound grief and sorrow, we inform that 10th Day of beloved Smt Kamla Rani W/o Sh Bhagwan Singh Jasrotia will be performed at our residence Bari Brahmana House No. 67, Ward No. 02, Jasrotia Niwas on 07th May 2025

Ward No. 02, Jasrotia Niwas on 07th May 202 (Wednesday) at 11:00 AM.

The Kriya and Rasam Pagri will be performe on 10th May 2025 (Sat) at our residence Ba Brahmana at 12:00 Noon.

Ritual Day Time
Tenth Day 07:05:2025 11:00 AM (at our Residence)
Kriya 10:05:2025 12:00 Noon (at our Residence)
Pagri 10:05:2025 12:00 Noon (at our Residence)
GRIEF STRICKEN : Husband - Sh Bhagwan Singh Jasrota
Brother-in-Ilaws

Brother in-laws & Sister in-laws Sn Puran Singh Jasrotia & Late Smt Prakasho Devi Sh Late Jagdish Singh Jasrotia & Smt Santosh Devi Son and Daughter-in-law Mr Dinesh Singh Jasrotia and Mrs Minakshi Jasrotia Mrs Babbt Selathie and tersory.

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Mrs Varsha Manhas and Mr Rohit Manhas
Vanshia, Raghuvansh, Ashit, Rudra, Aaradhaya
Grand Child-Abhyart.



## OBITUARY/TENTH DAY/KRIYA

With profound grief and sorrow we inform the sad demise of our beloved Father Sh. Triloki Nath Raina S/o Late Sh. Sudershan Raina originally from Razdan Mohalla Handwara Kashmir A/p 34-B Om Nagar Udheywala Jammu on 02-05-2025.

TENTH DAY KRIYA will be performed on 11-05-2025 (Sunday) at Muthi Ghat at 8 AM Sh. Triloki Nath Raina **GRIEF STRICKEN:** 

Raina's, Koul's, Pandita's, Tickoo's, Kachroo's, and Dhar's Bushan Lal Raina (Son) MOBILE NO: 9103253103, 9086395626

## REMEMBRANCE

(MAA)

Lt. Smt Prana Koul W/o Tej Bahadur Koul R/o 385/204 Vinayak Nagar Muthi left this mortal abode 4 yrs ago to Paramdham on Baisakh Shuklpaksh Dashmi (7 May

Your memories are fresh in our hearts and minds. You are here there somewhere watching and blessing us with your simplicity dedication and kindness, continuing to guide us every moment even in your absence.

DEEPLY REMEMBERED BY: **FAMILY MEMBERS** LOVED ONES **NEARS AND DEARS** 



Lt. Smt Prana Koul

Lt Sh Ashok Bhat

(AIR)

(Tathi)

#### 10 TH DAY KRIYA

With utmost pain and grief, it is to inform that the 10TH DAY KRIYA of our beloved Lt Sh . Ashok Bhat (AIR) H/O Smt Sarita Wazir Bhat; who attained nirvana at Zirakhpur (Chandigarh) is being performed on 8th May - 25 ,Thursday at Muthi Ghat (near Dir. Education) Jammu at 8.00 AM ' concluding time '

C I Bhat - Shama ji H I Bhat - Asha ji S K Bhat

Phola Bhat Koul - N J Koul Bimla B Koul -Ramesh Koul Punica Bhat Sharma - Yougesh Sharma

(GIGOO'S, WAZIR'S, BHAT'S, KOUL'S, SHARMA'S)

#### MOURNING / TENTH DAY

With Profound Grief and Sorrow, we inform nise of our beloved **Smt. Phoola Pandita (Tathi)** Sh. Jag Mohan Pandita R/o Akhran, Kulgam at resent R/o A-11, Park Avenue, New CG Road, Tenth Day Kriya will be performed on Sunday 4th of May,2025 at 9 AM at Triveni Sangam Chanod Baroda

Condolence Prayers will be held at Jammu from 9th Of May 2025 to 16th of May 2025 on below address: B/55 JMC 1113 Lene No 7, Bhawani Nagar, Talab Tillo,

GRIEF STRICKEN:

Sh. Jag Mohan Pandita (Husband) Sh. R L Tickoo and Smt Ratna Tickoo Sh. Virendra Matto and Smt Nimi Matto

Sh. Visnortra Matto and Smt. Nimi Matto Sh. R. L. Shoda (Billuji) and Smt. Sunita Shoda Sh. Sanjay Pandita and Binny Pandita Smt. Rita Pandita W/O Late O N Pandita Sh. R. L. Pandita and Smt. Photola Pandita Sh. R. L. Pandita and Smt. Saria Pandita Sh. Biji Nath Pandita and Smt. Rashmi Pandita Sh. Sushi Pandita and Psot. Sh. Sushi Pandita and Psot. Sh. Sushi Pandita and Son ka Sh. Sushi Pandita and Son ka

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## Ritu Singh lends her support in organizing **Blood Donation Camp at GMC Jammu**

Extends solidarity amidst border tensions, offers relief, leads mass prayers for peace at Raghunath ji Temple



#### **Top News Report**

JAMMU, May 7: Kuwarani Ritu Singh, Co-Founder of Maharaja Hari Singh Foundation, extended her wholehearted support in organizing a blood donation camp at Government Medical College (GMC) Hospital Jammu, as a gesture of solidarity amidst the ongoing border tensions following Operation Sindoor.

On the instructions of Kuwarani Ritu Singh, a dedicated team of blood donors, led by Vikas, Manager of Hotel Hari Niwas, Jammu, participated actively in the camp and donated blood to support the hospital's emergency preparedness in view of any unforeseen situ-

Dr Ashutosh Gupta Principal GMC Jammu and Dr Meena Sidhu **HOD Blood Bank GMC** Jammu and Dr Aneesh Uppal, Specialist Pediatrician, appreciated the efforts of Maharaja Hari Singh Foundation for supporting the noble cause. Ritu Singh said "I have always stood at the forefront for the people of Jammu. In these testing times, our duty is to serve, support, and stand united with

the nation." Apart from the blood donation drive, she also offered ration supplies and other essential items to those in need. She extended full solidarity with the armed forces and the Union Government, and urged the citizens to stay calm and strong, trusting the brave soldiers protecting the nation.

Congratulating the Indian Forces on their successful execution of Operation Sindoor, she stated, "Our soldiers put their lives on the line to safeguard our borders and bring justice to the innocent victims of the Pahalgam terror attack. The entire nation stands proud of their bravery and sacrifice.'

In a spiritual gesture for peace and healing, Ritu Singh also initiated mass prayers at the historic Raghunath Ji Temple, leading the recitation of Hanuman Chalisa for the safety of the nation and its defenders. She said these prayers will continue on daily basis till the situation come to

## **Arvind reviews War Room Setup at GMC Hospital amidst Border Tensions**

*Initiates blood donation drives at three locations; donates* blood himself; urges people to stand with the Nation

#### **Top News Report**

JAMMU, May 7: In light of the heightened border tensions following Operation Sindoor, launched in response to the tragic terror attack in Pahalgam that claimed the lives of 26 innocent tourists, Sh Arvind Gupta, Senior BJP Leader and MLA Jammu West, today visited Government Medical College (GMC) and Hospital Jammu to review the preparedness of the hospital's emergency infrastructure.

Accompanied by Dr. Ashutosh Gupta, Principal GMC Jammu, Dr. Varinder, Medical Superintendent, and Dr. Meena Sidhu. HoD Blood Bank GMC Jammu, the MLA took a detailed round of the hospital including the War Room and Blood Bank. Speaking to the media persons, Arvind Gupta informed that a fully equipped War Room has set up within the GMC & hospital Jammu to address any medical emergency that may arise due to escalating border situations. Around 150 beds have been prepared and over 600 units of blood have been reserved in the GMC Blood Bank to ensure immediate medical aid if required, he said.

In a strong gesture of solidarity and public service, the MLA, along with Arun Prabhat, President BJYM J&K, also launched a blood donation drive in the hospital premises. Arvind Gupta led by example by being the first to donate blood, appealing to citizens to come forward and contribute in whatever way



possible to support the nation during this critical time

"As a public representative, I assure every possible assistance to the people of my constituency and the wider Jammu region. It is the time to stand united and extend every possible support to our brave soldiers and fellow citizens," he added.

Later in the day, the tion camps at Jaswant Plaza and Suvidha Nursing Home, near Bee Enn Hospital Jammu.

#### MLA also inaugurated additional blood dona-

#### arrangements already in place for relocating

Top News Report

POONCH, May 7: With people to safer locations amid prevailing situation, the District Administration Poonch conducted a detailed review of preparedness at various designated shelter camps.

A team of senior officers, including Additional Deputy Commissioner (ADC), Assistant Commissioner Revenue (ACR), CPO, and Tahsildar Haveli, visited the proposed camp sites to assess the readiness of facilities and ensure all logistic and support systems are operational. The locations designated as shelter camps for those willing to relocate are Caramel School, Chandak, Dingla University Campus, Ishat ul Uloom Chandak, Higher Secondary School (HSS), Chandak, GHSS Lassana, Government High School (GHS) Sanai, Government Middle School (GMS) Sanai, GHSS Seri Khawaja, Polytechnic College, Sathra. The administration assures the public that essential services including accommodation, food, and medical assistance are available at all these shelter sites. People are being encouraged to make use of these facilities if they wish to relocate.

like Poonch, Manjha

Kot, and Karnah, caus-

ing destruction and loss

The Vishwa Hindu

Parishad stands in soli-

darity with the families

of those who lost their

lives in Pakistan Army's

unprovoked firing on

innocent civilians. We

are deeply concerned

about the destruction

caused in Poonch and

Karnah and assure all

possible support to the

The VHP J&K team,

led by President Rajesh

Gupta, has activated

all its district units and

state team to keep a

close eye on the situa-

tion and provide assis-

tance wherever needed,

including Shakti Dutt

Sharma, Vice President;

Abhishek Gupta, Gen-

eral Secretary; Rajen-

der Gupta, Sangathan

Mantri; Karan Singh

and Satish Kotwal,

Seh Mantri: and Kartik

Soodan, and others.

mentioned below:

affected families.

## Vishwa Hindu Parishad applauds Operation Sindoor



**Top News Report** 

JAMMU, May 7: Rajesh Gupta, President of Vishwa Hindu Parishad J&K Ladakh, has extended his heartfelt appreciation for the Government of India's vision and the Indian Armed Forces' successful execution of Operation Sindoor.

This operation targeted terrorist structures inside Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir (PoJK) and marked a significant milestone in India's fight against ter-

In retaliation to the April 22, 2025, Pahalgam attack, the Indian Army conducted precise strikes, destroying nine terrorist locations, including headquarters of various terrorist organizations inside Pakistan and PoJK. This operation demonstrates the willpower and resolve of the Government of India and showcases the remarkable capabilities of the Indian Army and Air Force.

While the Indian Armed Forces precisely hit terrorist camps without harming civilians or non-military establishments, the Pakistan Army fired upon civilian populations in areas

## Fair Price Shop dealers of J&K UT announce strike over long-Pending demands

**Top News Report** 

Poonch Administration spurs up designated

Public shelter camps with adequate amenities

JAMMU, May 7: The Fair Price Shop (FPS) Dealers Association of Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory has announced the resumption of a statewide strike, citing the government's failure to address their long-pending demands dating back to 2019.

The decision follows multiple reminders submitted to the Department of Food, Civil Supplies, and Consumer Affairs (FCS&CA), J&K UT, which, the association claims, have gone unan-

swered. In a strongly worded statement, the association alleged that despite the availability of funds for the financial year 2024-25, the department has shown indifference toward the concerns of FPS dealers. The dealers accused officials of

misappropriating funds for personal gains while neglecting the settlement of dues owed to them.

The FPS Dealers Association highlighted the following key demands including release of pending Centre Share and Mid-Day Meal commissions since 2019 in favor of FPS dealers across J&K, immediate sanctioning of handling losses (wastage) compensation, which dealers incurred during daily operations, clarification and rectification of alleged fund misappropriation in transportation charges: The association claims that while the Government of India sanctioned Rs 100 per quintal, the FCS&CA Department inflated this figure to Rs 262 per quintal, diverting an excess of Rs 162 per quintal; Settlement of dues from the COVID-19 period, during which dealers had to secure emergency loans with interest from banks to maintain operations. Despite the passage of over five years, these arrears remain unpaid.

The FPS dealers warned that they will resume the strike initially suspended in March 2025 unless their grievances are addressed promptly. They appealed to the Lieutenant Governor-led administration and central government to intervene and ensure transparency and justice for grassroots-level ration distributors.

The association emphasized that continued neglect could severely disrupt the public distribution system in J&K, impacting thousands of beneficiaries across the Union

Dated: 05.05.22025

Due: 13.05.2025

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(Er. Vishal Mahajan) **Executive Engineer** Mechanical & Hospital Division Jammu

## **Blood Donation Camp organized at SMGS Hospital**

#### **Top News Report**

JAMMU, May 7: Emphasizing the urgent need for voluntary blood donation, the Indian Society for Blood Transfusion and Immunohematology (ISBTI) J&K Chapter in collaboration with the Rotary Club Jammu Baahu, supported by NGO SUPPORT and the Maharaja Hari Singh Foundation, organized a Blood Donation Camp at SMGS Hospital Jammu.

The initiative, led by Rtn Dr. Navneet Kaur, a noted Social Reformer and Secretary General of ISBTI J&K, saw enthusiastic participation from youth volunteers and members of various communities who came forward in the spirit of selfless service to donate blood.

Dr. Vijay Shawney,



Associate Professor, along with Dr. Naveen and other doctors and pathologists from the blood bank, praised the efforts of the organizers. They highlighted the critical importance of such humanitarian drives, especially in times when blood is urgently needed for Thalassemia patients and other emergency

Dr. Navneet Kaur herself donated blood during the camp, further inspiring others with her

cases.

commitment. Manish Sahni also addressed the gathering, stressing the role of communal harmony and youthled health initiatives in strengthening the societal fabric and meeting healthcare needs.

Among the blood donors were Manish Sahni, Simpi, Gurneet, Sahil, Gita, and many others who joined hands for the noble cause. Their voluntary participation reflected a strong message of compassion and unity.

## **EDITORIAL**

# PROGRESSIVE INDIA

India, the land of diversity and determination, continues to chart an inspiring path in global progress, setting new benchmarks across sectors—economy, technology, healthcare, defence, diplomacy, and sports. As the nation strides confidently towards its centenary of independence in 2047, the spirit of "New India" is echoed not just within its borders but across the world. Today, more than ever, it's worth proudly saying: Well done, India!

India has emerged as one of the fastest-growing major economies in the world. Despite global economic uncertainties, inflationary pressures, and geopolitical challenges, India has displayed remarkable economic resilience. The country recently became the fifth-largest economy, overtaking the United Kingdom, and is projected to become the third-largest by 2030, trailing only behind the US and China. With a robust manufacturing push under the "Make in India" initiative and thriving service sectors like IT and fintech, India's economic foundations are getting stronger every day.

The growth of digital infrastructure, especially the revolutionary Unified Payments Interface (UPI), has transformed financial inclusion. Rural and urban populations alike are using smartphones to make seamless digital payments, empowering citizens and businesses.

India's technology sector has positioned the country as a global innovation hub. The country has excelled in software services, start-ups, artificial intelligence, and space technology. The ISRO's Chandrayaan-3 mission, which successfully landed a spacecraft on the lunar south pole, made India the first country to achieve this feat. The launch of the Gaganyaan mission and advancements in satellite technology further solidify India's space credentials

Moreover, Indian startups have seen exponential growth, with over 100 unicorns and several globally acclaimed platforms emerging from Indian soil. This thriving startup ecosystem not only boosts the economy but also enhances India's global image as a land of innovators and problem-solvers.

India's leadership in global healthcare has been widely acknowledged, especially during and after the COVID-19 pandemic. As the pharmacy of the world, India supplied vaccines to over 100 countries under its "Vaccine Maitri" initiative. The Ayushman Bharat scheme, aimed at providing healthcare to over 500 million people, is one of the largest health assurance programs globally.

India's pharmaceutical and biotech sectors are rapidly expanding, contributing to both domestic health security and global needs. The country is also making strides in medical research, affordable healthcare innovations, and telemedicine.

India's defence sector is undergoing major transformation, with focus on modernisation, indigenisation, and self-reliance. The country is developing advanced fighter jets, naval ships, and missile systems under "Atmanirbhar Bharat". India's defence exports have reached record levels, reflecting the global trust in Indian defence technology.

Geopolitically, India has emerged as a balancing power in global affairs. Its independent foreign policy, strategic partnerships with the US, Russia, EU, and its leadership in forums like G20, SCO, and BRICS demonstrate India's growing global influence.

India is actively taking the lead in climate action and renewable energy. The International Solar Alliance, co-founded by India, is promoting solar energy on a global scale. The country is investing heavily in green hydrogen, wind, and solar projects to reduce carbon emissions and meet its net-zero goal by 2070.

The government's push for electric mobility, sustainable urban infrastructure, and afforestation is part of a larger vision to balance development with environmental responsibility.

India's ancient wisdom, cultural heritage, and spiritual values continue to inspire the world. From Yoga and Ayurveda to literature, music, and dance, Indian soft power is touching lives globally. The celebration of International Yoga Day across the globe is a testament to India's timeless knowledge systems gaining global respect.

The growing popularity of Indian films, art, and cuisine in Western societies reflects India's rising cultural footprint. India's presidency of the G20 showcased its civilizational values, hospitality, and leadership on the world stage.

India's athletes are making headlines with recordbreaking performances in Olympics, Paralympics, Commonwealth, Asian Games, and international cricket. With the rise of sports infrastructure, training facilities, and encouragement from both government and private sectors, young Indian athletes are competing confidently with global counterparts.

Cricket remains a unifying force in the country, with India's consistent dominance in international formats. Meanwhile, sports like wrestling, badminton, and athletics are seeing massive upswings in participation and medals.

From being a developing nation grappling with colonial legacies, India has transformed into a confident, capable global power. It stands tall today, not just because of its economic or military strength, but because of the spirit of its people, their resilience, creativity, and collective aspirations.

With each milestone, India sends a message to the world: we are ready, we are rising, and we are united in shaping a future of peace, prosperity, and progress.

## Only Profitable Wars Are Those Fought 'Offshore'

By: Sanjeev Ahluwalia

he Second World War extinguished three per cent of the global population over the six years that it raged. About 80 million people died, mostly civilians, in the Soviet Union, China, Japan and Europe, where the war was fought. It also decimated the economies of Europe and Japan. Europe's share in the global economy reduced from about 40 per cent, during the Great Depression in 1935 to 25 per cent by 1945.

There was only one winner -- the United States -- which developed its manufacturing and infrastructure behind the grand isolation assured, in those days, by the Atlantic Ocean to the east and the Pacific Ocean on the west. By the end of the war, its share of global GDP was 40 per cent. To be sure, American GIs and officers died in the war. But their families back home lived safe and productive lives.

Wars are best when offshored: The sobering lesson is that only wars fought offshore can be profitable, though it is undeniable that the United States used its war profits productively. It rebuilt devastated Japan and Europe, funded the creation of the United Nations to prevent and ameliorate the impact of conflict, the International Monetary Fund to promote fiscal and price stability and the World Bank to fund post-war reconstruction and later development.

All three did the job well. The question today is whether China, the contender for the global pole position, is similarly committed to exercise its dominant economic power in trade and manufacturing for global benefit or whether it will continue transactional agreements to maximise profits? Admittedly, the new trend set by America in Ukraine is uninspiring. India's experience: Even short wars are expensive. India's post-

Independence wars have been short. The 1962 war with China lasted for one month till the Chinese withdrew unilaterally. Nevertheless, growth in gross value added dipped from 3.1 per cent earlier to 2.1 per cent in that year.

In 1965 India responded to "Operation Gibraltar", an assault by Pakistan on India. The war lasted for seven weeks. Growth was a negative -3.6 per cent, versus 7.6 per cent in the previous year, though drought combined with war to deplete growth. The 1972 war to assist the Mukti Bahini against Pakistan's oppressive regime in East Bengal was a response to pre-emptive air strikes on India by Pakistan. It lasted just 12 days. Growth fell from 6.5 per cent earlier to 5.0 per cent. It reduced further to one per cent in 1972 and to negative growth in 1973 though, yet again, drought aggravated the economic impact. This dataset supports the IMF assessment that conflict, even in the short term, reduces GDP by one to two percentage points. South Asia also loses from war between Pakistan and India, despite regional cross-border trade being low at five per cent versus 25 per cent in next door Southeast Asia. War will further postpone regional economic integration. Cross-border discord will heighten as existing, albeit sparse, B2B and P2P relationships get shredded. The ill-advised notion, voiced in Bangladesh by some recently -- albeit not supported by the government -- of joining with China to annex India's Northeast if India attacks Pakistan, speaks to the kind of hysteria war clouds generate. Playing into China's game plan: Who gains? The clear winner is China. War would retard India's growth, further compromising its capacity to "manage" China. Should this not worry the US? That depends on whether they view India as a "client state" or a significant "partner". As a client state, dependent on the US for assistance, technology and

geo-political heft, India's reliance would increase, which might suit America in the short term. However, as a "partner state", independently capable of investing in aligning strategic focus, a weakened India could become less useful in shoring up democracy and fair trade in the Indo-Pacific. Sadly, America's own continued commitment to these strategic principles is now in doubt. Spend to maintain peace, not to fund war: If India is to remain self-reliant, it must spend to maintain peace, not to fund a war. Domestic reform to unleash private investment, enhance fiscal stability and negotiate plurilateral investment and trade treaties integrating India into strategic global goals selectively, are key. The problem is domestic. The government must enlarge the domestic negotiating space to integrate, discordant segments -- farmers and small business -- representing about onehalf of the popular vote? Over the past decade, welfare measures -- both private and community-based -- have ballooned, undergirding the incomes of the bottom one-third of the population and protecting families from falling back into dire poverty (below PPP \$2.15 per person day). Doing more of the same at higher levels as applicable for lower middle-income economies (PPP \$3.65 per person per day), implies additional targeted assistance for about one-third of the population, equal to about 11 per cent of current GDP. Catch-22: With government revenues at about 17 per cent of GDP, enhancing welfare support is affordable only if the economy grows faster -- which war would inhibit. A balance between indirect incentives to promote employment-linked income enhancement and direct welfare support is therefore a sensible compromise. Allowing state governments to design the incentives can help reflect contextual specificities and opportunities. Sadly, we have been negligent in

the devolution of powers, particularly to cities and villages, where the space for negotiating proposals for "shared growth" exists since communities live in proximity. Technocratically devised plans in remote New Delhi, in contrast, lack context and specificity. The Belfast "Good Friday Agreement" in 1998 ended three decades of intense sectarian violence in Northern Ireland. It was based on devolution of more powers from the UK government to Northern Ireland. Experimenting with devolution to enhance equity can also spur growth. India is a relatively young democracy and, like Pakistan, very culturally diverse. Unlike Pakistan, political power in India still flows from the people and we have not succumbed to monotheism of any kind. Contestation between political parties is at the heart of Indian democracy, unlike in homogenous China. The ensuing complex political web of accommodations and compromise is not a design fault. Admittedly it slows down development. But it provides a forum for the settlement of differences and active engagement to overcome shared challenges. The Covid-19 pandemic was one such. Dealing with external aggression is another unifying force, especially if it is a war that we neither provoked nor sought. Winning will require keeping our powder dry, garnering global support and continuing to invest in innovation, productivity and equity.

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## Winds of Change Brewing Across Kashmir the crime. College students including trators of the heinous incident which can they use and e

By: Omkar Dattatray

ahalgam terrorist attack is most despicable and dastardly and has no parallels in the terrorist infested J&K. But post Pahalgam massacre that consumed the innocent and precious lives of 25 tourists who were our honored guests and the local Muslim youth who got martyred while fighting for the safety the tourists, a positive wind is brewing across Kashmir as all most all political parties, social organizations, religious outfits, government of the JK UT ,legislative assembly of Jammu and Kashmir and above all the common masses of the Valley have unequivocally and categorically condemned the gruesome ,brutal and unprecedented terror attack. This is for the first time in the history of Kashmir which is grappling with terrorism and where terrorism was on its last leg, all the political parties and the common people condemned the Pahalgam terrorist attack in which 25 tourists were Killed besides a local Kashmiri youth. People political parties and traders came on the roads and held protest demonstrations against the terror attack and terrorists and demanded severe punishment for those who are accused of involvement in the terrorist attack and also an exemplary punishment to the backers and sponsors of the Pahalgam terror attack so that such inhuman crimes do not recur again in future. It is a positive and desirable change in Kashmiri psychic that political parties of all shades and colors, religious heads and the people with one voice condemned the Pahalgam attack and cursed those involved in the brutal terror attack which has ashamed all the people of Kashmir and which shook the nation. It is a welcome development that Moulvis from the pulpits of masques and Moulvi Umar Farooq from the grand Jamia Masjid from Downtown has mourned the deaths of tourists and have observed few minutes silence for those who were killed and they also denounced, condemned the Pahalgan terror attack and demanded hash

punishment for those involved in

girls took out rallies against Pahalgam terror attack and demanded stern punishment to terrorists involved in the terror attack. Kashmiris without any exception are ashamed and angry over the inhuman terror attack at Pahalgam and demanded severe punishment for the killers who brought shame to Kashmir, Kashmiri's and age old doctrine of Kashmiriyat and ashamed all Kashmiris and they condemned the Pahalgam terror attack vociferously for the first time since the inception of terrorism and armed struggle by indoctrinate youth who went astray and picked up gun at the behest and direction of Pakistan. Some argue that Kashmiris of all hues and colors have condemned the Pahalgam terror attack because they believe such an attack is a direct assault on the economy more so on tourist economy and on the livelihood of all those people who are connected directly or indirectly with the tourist economy. Agreed they have condemned the Pahalgam terror attack became their livelihood and Kashmir economy has been threatened and tourists have cancelled their bookings in large numbers. But still the fact that people of Kashmir, their political parties, political executive of the UT, its legislative and religious leaders have strongly condemned the recent terror attack in Pahalgam and have demanded in no uncertain terms strong punishment to the wrong doers who have killed 26 innocent people and it is a stain and blot on Kashmiriyat and our quality of hospitality.NC, PDP, PC Apni Party, Progressive democratic Azad party, CPI-M and others have strongly condemned Pahalgam terror attack and called for severe punishment to all those involved in the act of terror which resulted in the death of 26 persons, mostly tourists who were our esteemed guests. Kashmiris and the whole of the nation grieved over the dastardly attack which claimed 26 innocent civilian lives and people of Kashmir, its political parties across the spectrum condemned the Pahalgam massacre boldly and called for strongest punishment to the perpe-

shamed all of us. Post Pahalgam terror attack, Kashmiri Muslims have shown their anxiety and eagerness and they rose against the terrorism and wanted an end to terror attacks so that Kashmiris live in peace and harmony and there is no bruise on the psyche of the Kashmiris. Those who indulged in Pahalgam mayhem are not only the enemies of humanity, Kashmiriyat but are also the enemies of our normalcy, peace, progress and development and so these enemies of humanity were given strongest condemnation and all Kashmiri's beyond their political affiliations demanded strongest punishment to all those involved in Pahalgam tragedy and this is no ordinary development but a positive sign that the attitude of Kashmiris have changed and modified and they yearn for peace, normalcy and development. The positive change in the attitude of Kashmiris towards terrorism is praise worthy as they have now chosen to be with India and they denounce and condemn Pakistan because they also consider that country behind terror attack at Biasarn meadows which resulted in 26 deaths.PM and Indian state declared that the perpetrators of the Pahalgam terrorist attack and its sponsors and backers would be punished for this heinous crime no matter where they are and the government /security forces will go to the end of the earth in tracing and punishing the culprits of Pahalgam incident and also those who sponsor and export terror to Jammu and Kashmir. PDP chief Mehabooba Mufti who is said to have soft corner for terrorists has also condemned this act of terror and demanded stringent punishment for those accused in terror and also their mentors and exporters. Ilteja Mufti daughter of Mehbooba Mufti and the leader of PDP has also condemned Pahalgam massacre and she demanded severe punishment to the terrorists involved in the tradegy.GOI should not be complacent but exploit the positive and encouraging situation created in the aftermath of Pahalgam tragedy so they should not take this change lightly but seriously think how

can they use and exploit the changed attitude of Kashmiris so that terrorism is given final blow so that it should not reappear again and sock the Kashmir with innocent and precious blood. The time, circumstances have changed for better and it seems that there is now in sight the beginning of the end of terrorism and Indian government should seriously inflict maximum casualty on those involved in recent massacre so that such heinous crimes will not take place again. Modi government should encourage Kashmiris so that the tempo of condemnations will be directed towards finding terrorists and awarding stern punishment on all accused in Pahalgam tragedy. Enough is enough, Modi government should show political boldness and cross the LOC and dismantle terror training camps across boarder. Diplomatic, political measures should be supplemented and complimented with direct strike on POK so that it becomes a part of India and it will resolve Kissue for all times to come and will give a death-kneel to Pak sponsored terrorism. International opinion is against terrorism and countries across the world are with India and so she should seize the opportunity and strike at Pakistan. In brief Kashmiris and all the people and political parties are against terrorism and have expressed their condemnation against terrorism and have made it clear that they are behind Modi government in its fight against the perpetrators of terror and mayhem. Finally we can say that the winds of positive change are brewing across Kashmir post Pahalgam terror attack and it may sound the beginning of the end of terrorism and so Modi government should encourage Kashmiris to go full throttle against terror and it will sound the finish of terrorism.

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## Adv Ishant hails Operation Sindoor, terms it as historic strike against terror

**Top News Report** 

JAMMU, May 7: Advocate Ishant Gupta, State IT Head of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Jammu & Kashmir, has extended heartfelt congratulations to the Central Government and the Indian Armed Forces for the decisive and successful execution of Operation Sindoor, launched in response to the barbaric terror attack in Pahalgam on

"Operation Sindoor is not just a military operation — it is a clear message to the enemies of our nation that India will not tolerate terror in any form. The brutal killing of 26 innocent people in Pahalgam deeply hurt the soul of the nation. Today, that soul has found justice," Advocate Gupta said.

He commended the bold leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah, and Defense Minister Rajnath Singh, stating that their unwavering commitment to national security and zero tolerance for terrorism is what enables such precise and impactful missions.

"I salute the Indian Armed Forces for their unparalleled courage and professionalism in striking at the heart of terror camps in Pakistan and Pakistanoccupied Jammu and Kashmir. Their



bravery echoes in every corner of the nation today," he added.

Advocate Gupta emphasized that the people of Jammu & Kashmir, who have endured the direct consequences of cross-border terrorism, stand firmly with the government and the armed forces. He called Operation Sindoor a turning point in India's counter-terrorism policy and a tribute to all victims of terrorism.

"Our brave soldiers have not only avenged innocent lives but have also reinforced India's sovereignty, strength, and resolve. The entire nation stands united in saluting this bold and historic

## SCJS organises workshop on Cosmos Energy Science

**Top News Report** 

JAMMU. May 7: The Senior Citizens' Joy Society (SCJS) successfully organised a thought-provoking workshop on Cosmos Energy Science, featuring renowned expert Ravinder Jaju from Ahmednagar, Maharashtra. Jaju, an authority on Vastu Shastra, Cosmos Energy, and Agnihotra, has been practicing and promoting these disciplines for over 30 years. His deep Vedic knowledge and real-world applications have uplifted countless commercial, residential, and industrial projects across India.

Ashok Gupta, President of SCJS, extended a warm welcome to Jaju and the participants. He set a light-hearted tone by reciting a poem on Laughter Yoga and shared insights about



the objectives and structure of the workshop.

Surinder Gupta, former Chief Engineer, and B. B. Sharma, twotime State President of Bharat Vikas Parishad, felicitated the chief guest in a warm gesture of appreciation.

Dr. Shreyansh Kumar Jain, State Yoga Commissioner and Chairman of SCJS, introduced Jaju to the attendees, elaborating on his extensive contributions in the fields of Scientific Vastu and Agnihotra, includ-

ing lectures delivered at prestigious institutions like IIT Kharagpur, IIT Guwahati, and NBAGR Karnal. During his keynote session, Shri Jaju provided an in-depth explanation of Vastu Shastra—the ancient Indian science of architecture that harmonises structures with cosmic

and natural energies. He highlighted its foundational principles. historical significance, practical guidelines, and modern-day relevance. He also discussed

key concepts such as directional energy, the Panchabhutas (five elements), and the importance of Brahmasthan, kitchen placement, main entrance, and sleeping positions in a Vastucompliant home.

In the second session, he demonstrated Agnihotra, a Vedic fire ritual performed at exact sunrise and sunset. Participants witnessed the process using traditional ingredients such as a copper pyramid, cow dung cakes, pure cow

ghee, and rice grains. accompanied by specific Sanskrit mantras. Shri Jaju explained Agnihotra's scientific and spiritual benefits, including its potential to purify the environment, enhance mental focus, improve soil and plant health, and promote holistic healing.

The workshop concluded with an interactive Q&A session, where participants including H.C. Vaid, Dr. Jain, Vijay Sharma, Rakesh Misra, S.K. Gupta, Yesh Paul Sharma, B.B. Sharma, Pardeep Khajuria, Abhinandan Jain, Narinder Wadhera, C.M. Sharma, Dr. Nirmal Kamal, Meenakshi Gupta, and Anju Bansal actively engaged with the speaker.

C.M. Sharma delivered the vote of thanks. appreciating Jaju's enlightening presentation and the enthusiastic participation of the attendees.

## **JKNPP Bhim terms Operation** Sindoor as a triumph against terror, applauds Indian Armed Forces

**Top News Report** 

JAMMU, May 7: Vilakshan Singh, President of the Jammu and Kashmir National Panthers Party Bhim, on Wednesday lauded the Indian Armed Forces for the successful execution of Operation Sindoor, a decisive military response targeting terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir. Operation Sindoor was launched in retaliation to the heinous Pahalgam terrorist attack on April 22, 2025, where 26 Hindus, including Indian and Nepali nationals, were brutally killed in Jammu and Kashmir. The Indian

armed forces conducted precision air and missile strikes on nine locations, including Bahawalpur, Muridke, and Muzaffarabad, known hubs for militant groups like Lashkar-e-Taiba and Jaish-e-Mohammed.

"The Indian Armed Forces have demonstrated unparalleled courage and precision in executing Operation Sindoor," said Vilakshan Singh. "This operation sends a clear message that India will not tolerate terrorism and will take decisive action to protect its citizens."

Singh also praised the Union Government's unwavering commitment to national security. "The

government's support and strategic planning were instrumental in the success of this operation. Their resolve in combating terrorism is commendable.

"The Panthers Party Bhim stands in solidarity with the Indian Armed Forces and the Union Government in their efforts to safeguard our nation," Singh added. "We urge all political parties and citizens to unite against the menace of terrorism.

Operation Sindoor marks a significant step in India's ongoing efforts to combat cross-border terrorism and ensure the safety and security of its

## **BSP** welcomes Indian Army's 'Operation Sindoor', urges Govt to ensure safety of border residents, reserved employees

**Top News Report** 

JAMMU, May 7: The Jammu and Kashmir unit of the Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) has wholeheartedly welcomed the Indian Army's successful Operation Sindoor, aimed at eliminating terrorist camps across the border in Pakistan. BSP State President Darshan Rana lauded the operation, calling it a "proud moment for every Indian," and praised the armed forces for their courage and precision.

Rana stated that the success of Operation Sindoor has caused panic across the border, and in light of possible retaliation, he urged the Government of India to take immediate and effective measures to protect the civilians living in border areas. "Proper arrangements must be made to relocate people to safer zones with adequate food, shelter, and medical support," he empha-

Highlighting the vulnerability of Reserved Category employees working in Kashmir,



Rana demanded that they be granted temporary leave and evacuated under tight security until the situation normalizes. "The safety of government employees must be a top priority during these tense times." he added.

He further called upon the district administration to maintain high alert and remain vigilant to ensure swift response to any emergency situations. "The days ahead could be challenging. The administration must be fully prepared."

Reaffirming solidarity with the nation, Rana concluded, "The Bahujan Samaj Party stands firmly with the government and our armed forces in this critical hour. We are united in our commitment to national security and the welfare of our citizens."

## Randhawa inaugurates drainage system upgradation work at Sector 4 Sanjay Nagar



#### **Top News Report**

JAMMU, May 7: In a significant step towards improving civic amenities, the upgradation work of the drainage system at Sanjay Nagar Sector 4, near the tubewell, was inaugurated today by MLA Ch. Vikram Randhawa. The project aims to address the persistent problem of waterlogging and improve sanitation conditions in the locality.

The inaugural ceremony witnessed the presence of officials from the Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) and senior leaders including Naresh Singh (District President), Madam Ritika (Mandal President), Narinder Koki, Pankaj Bral, Sunny Bakshi, and other prominent dignitaries.

Addressing the gathering, Randhawa reiterated his commitment to the development of basic infrastructure in the constituency. He stated, "This

drainage upgradation work will provide much-needed relief to the residents of Sanjay Nagar, who have been facing severe waterlogging issues, especially during the monsoon season. Our focus remains on timely completion of all such projects that directly impact the daily lives of the people." Officials from JMC assured that the project would be exe cuted using quality materials and completed within the stipulated timeframe to minimize inconvenience to the public.

Local leaders present at the event also expressed their gratitude to Randhawa for taking swift action to resolve this long-pending issue. They pledged their continued support to development initiatives that benefit the community.

The event concluded with enthusiastic participation from local residents, who welcomed the move and appreciated the leadership's proactive approach toward public welfare.

## **SMVDU ECE students win IEEE** YESIST12 2025 Prelims, set to represent India in Malaysia Finale



## Top News Report

KATRA, May 7: A team of students from the School of Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE), Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University (SMVDU), has earned national acclaim by winning 1st position in the Innovation Challenge Track and securing the 3rd overall position in the IEEE YESIST12 2025 **Prelims** 

The team also received a cash prize of Rs 5,000 for their outstanding performance. Team named "Major", consisting of students of B.Tech.(ECE)-6th semester, Harsh Raj

Kumar Amar. Aman Singh and Nitesh Kumar Dubey and mentored by Prof. Sumeet Gupta, presented their project "Gesture Speak", which is an assistive hardware innovation that utilizes a Convolutional Neural Network (CNN) to translate sign language into spoken words, significantly improving communication for deaf and

(Team Leader), Amit

mute individuals. The solution was praised for its technical depth and potential social impact. Their success in the prelims has earned them a spot in the IEEE YESIST12 2025 Grand Finale, which will be hosted in Malaysia, where they will represent SMVDU on a global stage.

Prof. (Dr.) Pragati Kumar, Vice-Chancellor, SMVDU lauded the performance of the students and said "Designing innovative and state of the art solutions for the benefit of the society is the truest test of technology. I congratulate the students on their performance and hope they will compete successfully at the international level".

Dr. Anil Bhardwaj, Head, School of E&CE congratulated the student team and commended them for their hard work, innovation, and dedication.

## **Top News Report**

JAMMU, May 7: Each one of us should devote time to spread the timeless teachings of Guru Ravidas, the revered 15th-century Indian saint, whose message of universal brotherhood and equality continues to shine as a beacon of hope and harmony.

Balbir Ram Rattan, National General Secretary, Guru Ravidas Vishwa Mahapeeth, Indian Branch General Secretary of British Ravidasia Heritage Foundation and Member of Begampura Vishwa Mahasabha, said this while making a fervent appeal for coming forward to contribute in

propagating the teachings of Guru Ravidas. He was discussing the significance of the teachings of Guru Ravidas and the need to spread his message.

Balbir said that Guru Ravidas, a visionary social reformer and poet-saint of India, championed values that go beyond time and religious divisions. He advocated for a casteless society and respect for all human beings.

"It is not enough to remember and respect Guru Ravidas on special occasions but we must carry his message into our everyday lives," Balbir said, adding that each one from among us should take pride in being followers of such a great Indian saint and become active participants in spreading his message.

The people should also read and reflect upon his hymns, many of which are included in the Guru Granth Sahib, and share them widely to promote mutual respect and unity.

He emphasized that engaging the youth and educating them about the legacy of Guru Ravidas is crucial in today's times

Organizing seminars, social media campaigns, and community gatherings are some of the ways to ensure the message reaches a wider audience.



Balbir also urged the educational institutions to include teachings of saints like Guru Ravidas in school syllabus, so yhat the coming generations can build a more inclusive and just society. His message of dignity of labour, equality, and devotion to God remains as relevant today as it was centuries ago.

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## **Operation Sindoor: Kangana Ranaut, Riteish** Deshmukh & other celebs salute Indian military's strike post Pahalgam attacks

As India woke up on a tense Wednesday morning, news of its targeted strikes on "terrorist infrastructure" sites in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) began to dominate headlines. The operation, codenamed Operation Sindoor, was carried out in the early hours and targeted nine key locations linked to terror infrastructure, marking a retaliatory step after the April 22 killing of 26 innocent tourists in Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir. Shortly after the confirmation of the military strikes, the Indian Army posted on X, "Justice is served. Jai Hind!"

In the wake of this high-voltage military action, celebrities from across the country took to social media to show solidarity with the armed forces and the nation. Veteran actor-director Anupam Kher was among the first to post, writing simply, "Bharat Mata Ki Jai #OperationSindoor". Actor Riteish Deshmukh posted a passionate tribute to

the armed forces, writing, "Jai



Hind Ki Sena... Bharat Mata Ki Jai!!!!! #OperationSindoor".

Nimrat Kaur used the nowviral vermillion-themed image to express her feelings, writing, "United with our forces. One country. One mission. #JaiHind #OperationSindoor."

Filmmaker Madhur Bhandarkar also posted his support, writing, "Our prayers are with our forces. One nation, together we stand. Jai Hind, Vande Mataram."

Actor Hina Khan also posted

a concise message: "Operation SINDOOR, Jai Hind."

Director of The Kashmir Files (2022), Vivek Agnihotri, echoed the sentiment in a single phrase: "Jai Hind."

Veteran actor Paresh Rawal reacted to the development on X with the folded hands emoji, tagging Prime Minister Narendra Modi Ji.

Bindu Madhavi, a well-known face in Tamil and Telugu cinema. also showed her solidarity on her Instagram stories: "Operation Sindoor. Jai Hind."

South Indian superstar Chiranjeevi tweeted, "Jai Hind", adding the national flag emoji.

Actor Kajal Aggarwal shared a graphic by Maitribodh Parivaar with a message of support for the Indian Army.

Actor Taapsee Pannu took a different route by highlighting the humanitarian aspect. She reshared a post by Hemkunt Foundation, which mentioned that their relief teams were ready to assist on the ground if needed.

Actor-turned-MLA Kangana Ranaut reacted with a series of emotional Instagram stories. In one, she wrote, "Unhone kaha tha Modi ko bata dena. Aur Modi ne unko bata diya. #Operation-Sindoor". In another, she posted. "Jo hamaari raksha karte hain, ishwar unki raksha kare. Wishing our forces safety and success." Her final story featured a photo of Prime Minister Narendra Modi with the words, "Identify. Track & Punish.'

## Sonu Sood to be honoured with humanitarian award at 72nd Miss World pageant



Actor Sonu Sood will be honoured with a humanitarian award at the 72nd Miss World grand finale on May 31, officials said.

The award recognises Sood's commitment to social upliftment through his foundation, the Miss World Organisation announced at a press meet in Hyderabad.

The actor said he would dedicate the award to the volunteers and supporters of the Sood Charity Foundation, as well as those whose lives have been

touched by it. "I'm also proud to announce that the Miss World Organisation and the Sood Charity Foundation have come together to collaborate on spreading awareness for a cancer-free world. This shared commitment will help amplify the message and bring hope to millions across

the globe," he added.

Sood will also serve as one of the official judges of the Miss World finale, which will crown the next Miss World.

Julia Morley, Chairperson and CEO of the Miss World Organisation, said: "Sood's compassion, tireless dedication, and impact through the Sood Charity Foundation perfectly embody the spirit of 'beauty with a purpose' — the motto of Miss World."

Telangana Tourism Minister Jupally Krishna Rao, Telangana Tourism Development Corporation Chairman Patel Ramesh Reddy, and Special Chief Secretary for Youth Advancement, Tourism, and Culture Jayesh Ranjan also attended the press meet.

Miss World India Nandini Gupta, who will represent India at the pageant, was also present.

## Richa Chadha on return to acting post maternity break

Richa Chadha is all set to return to work following her maternity break. The 38-year-old, who welcomed her daughter Zuneyra Ida Fazal in July last year, has signed on for a new film that marks her return to the comedy genre after the success of Fukrey 3 (2023). In this upcoming project, Richa will play a high-functioning entrepreneur who was orphaned at birth. The film is scheduled to go on floors in September.

Confirming the news, the actor tells us, "I'm thrilled to be a part of the film. It's an incredibly refreshing story that's both humorous and touching."

She further adds, "My character is at the heart of the narrative, and I can't wait to bring her journey to life. It's the kind of project that allows me to explore a wide emotional spectrum while keeping things light and relatable. I'm sure audiences will connect with the themes of love, family, and the need for human connection in an age of isolation."

This marks the second project Richa has



signed since the birth of her daughter. Earlier, she signed a musical

romantic comedy, which is expected to begin filming in mid-October.

## Uri to Shershaah: Indian war movies to watch after Operation Sindoor

In the early hours of Wednesday, May 7, the Indian armed forces launched 24 precision missile strikes targeting nine terrorist targets across Pakistan and Pakistan-Occupied Kashmir (PoK). The sites included Muridke and Bahawalpur, which are known bases of terrorist groups Lashkar-e-Taiba and Jaish-e-Mohammed. The strikes, carried out in retaliation over the Pahalgam terror attack in Kashmir's Baisaran meadow on April 22 which led to the loss of 26 innocent civilian lives, resulted in the deaths of over 70 terrorists, leaving over 60 injured. This, was Operation Sindoor.

With the news of the same undoubtedly having left your chest swelling with pride, here are some of the finest war movies to have come out of Bollywood in the past decades, which definitely warrant a watch

Haqeeqat

Chetan Anand's 1964 war drama Haqeeqat, features Dharmendra as Captain Bahadur Singh, and follows his platoon fighting the Sino-Indian war of 1962, Presumed dead in Ladakh, tribals come to their rescue. The classic also features Priya Rajvansh, Vijay Anand and Sanjay Khan.

Lalkar

Ramanand Sagar's Lalkar (1972) with Dharmendra and Rajendra Kumar in the lead, follows the story of brothers



deployed by the Indian Civil Services to fight in World War II. When one is presumed dead, the other is sent on a covert mission. Mala Sinha stars as the mutual love interest.

Border

JP Dutta's 1997 blockbuster Border, is easily a cult classic when it comes to the war genre in Indian cinema. Starring Sunny Deol, Suniel Shetty, Jackie Shroff and Akshaye Khanna, the film follows the ordeals of a band of 120 Indian soldiers in the Longewala region, defending their post all night until they receive assistance from the Indian Air Force the next morn-

LOC Kargil

Also a JP Dutta classic, LOC Karqil (2003) follows soldiers of the Indian Army as they try to locate their patrol officers after learning that Pakistani troops are crossing the Line of Con-

trol — a battle ensues. The film stars Ajay Devgn, Sanjay Dutt, Abhishek Bachchan, Saif Ali Khan, Suniel Shetty and Rani Mukerji among others.

Lakshya

Directed by Farhan Akhtar, the Hrithik Roshan-led Lakshya (2004) makes for a very poignant tale of an aimless young boy, whose life stands transformed after he joins the Indian Army on a whim, learning of how hard a soldier's life really is. He abandons the impulsive pursuit, but soon finds himself walking down the same path again in a redemptive arc. The film also stars Preity Zinta.

Shaurya

Samar Khan's Shaurya (2008), features Rahul Bose, Kay Kay Menon and Deepak Dobriyal in the lead, following Captain Javed Khan who is accused of killing his commanding officer, Major Rathod — conspicuous silence envelops the plot. Shaurya also stars MinisSha Lamba and Amrita Rao and is interestingly, narrated by Shah Rukh Khan.

Uri: The Surgical Strike

An absolute sensation right as it released back in 2019, and with very good reason, Aditya Dhar's Uri: The Surgical Strike, cinematises the very real story of India's retaliation to the 2016 Uri attack. It was the film that catapulted Vicky Kaushal into the coveted A-listers category, and features him as Major Vihaan Singh Shergill, who leads the covert surgical strike on Pakistani territory.

Shershaah

Sidharth Malhotra and Kiara Advani's roman empire so far when it comes to their filmographies, Vishnuvardhan's Shershaah (2021) in inspired from the real life of Vikram Batra, who forfeits a life with his love Dimple, as his duties lead him to climb the military ranks, ending in him significantly contributing to India's victory in the Kargil War. This one's a complete tearjerker.

Sam Bahadur

The second Vicky Kaushalstarrer on the list, Meghna Gulzar's Sam Bahadur (2023) features the actor as Sam Manekshaw, India's first Field Marshal, and follows his life of service in the Indian Army, spanning over 4 decades and 5 wars.

## Actor Janhvi Kapoor reacts to trolls saying Indians are 'Chandivalification of Met'

Actor Janhvi Kapoor hit back at the trolls who commented on Indian participation at the recently concluded Met Gala 2025. As actors Shah Rukh Khan, Priyanka Chopra, Kiara Advani, and Diljit Dosanjh lit up the blue carpet, a section of people on the Internet trolled Indian's at the event, saying "Chandivalification of the Met." The actor, who didn't walk the Met Gala 2025 steps this year, spoke up in defence of Indian celebrities and culture

Janhvi wrote, "It was high time. Our artisans and designers are the best in the world. They deserve the spotlight on a global stage like the Met. As do our icons (sic)".

In a strong message that many Indians

can relate to, Janhvi slammed the idea that having more Indian stars at global events makes them any less glamorous. "Shouldn't we be happy we're finally getting our due instead of salty about how seeing our own people on this platform is making it seem a little less aspirational?" she added. "Might I say our garments were amongst the most spectacular. Amusing how we're being almost classist towards ourselves. Clearly, colonial trauma hasn't left

"For decades, the work of our artisans has been exported from our country and put on global platforms without credit. For decades, they have borrowed our fabrics, our embroidery, our textiles, our jewel-



lery and presented it as a creation of which they are the rightful owners. I'm glad our people are

finally getting the chance to represent so much of our work and heritage. If anything, the sense of pride I felt seeing our artists and garments at the Met made whole affair seem even more magical," she continued.

Indeed, Indian celebs made a mark this year at Met Gala 2025 like never before. Shah Rukh Khan made history as the first Indian male actor to attend the Met Gala. Kiara Advani broke ground as the first Indian woman to walk the carpet while pregnant. Diljit Dosanjh turned heads with his Maharaja-inspired look. Priyanka Chopra Jonas, a Met veteran, returned for her fifth appearance. Meanwhile, businesswoman Isha Ambani and fashion designers like Manish Malhotra, Sabyasachi Mukherjee, and Mona Patel added gravitas to India's pres-

ence.

#### Did Isha Ambani wear mom Nita's heirloom jewellery for Met Gala



Isha Ambani returned to the Met Gala blue carpet for the fifth time, marking yet another milestone in her remarkable fashion journey. Since her debut in 2017 in a floral Christian Dior ball gown, the Reliance heiress has continually evolved her style—this year emerging in a commanding, couture interpretation of a three-piece suit, elevated by several pieces of her mother's jewellery, as Isha revealed to social media influencer Julia Chafe before her appearance.

Designed by Anamika Khanna, Isha's ensemble was embellished with real gemstones and reportedly requiring 20,000 hours to create, but what truly complemented the look was her use of accessories—specifically, a curated

selection from her mother Nita Ambani's treasured jewellery archive.

The centrepiece of her look was a double-layered diamond necklace, designed as a tribute to the Maharaja

of Nawanagar. According to The Nod, it is inspired by the historic Cartier Toussaint necklace that was featured in Ocean's 8. Isha layered it with delicate, multi-strand necklace composed of pearls, rubies and gilded beads.

Isha revealed that the diamond ring on her left hand belonged to Nita's personal collection. While her other rings were from the luxury jewellery house Tiffany, it was the heirloom ring that stood out.

The third and most imaginative detail of Isha's ensemble was a vintage saree pin, reimagined as a waist accessory. Repurposing the piece from her mother's locker, she gave it a fresh, fashionforward twist—adding a regal touch to her modern silhouette.

The Met Gala, short for the Metropolitan Museum of Art Costume Institute Gala, is an annual fundraising event held in New York City to benefit the museum's Costume Institute. It marks the opening of the Costume Institute's yearly fashion exhibition.

# PM Modi meets President Murmu, briefs her on Operation Sindoor

NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday met President Droupadi Murmu and briefed her on Indian armed forces' precision strikes at terrorist hideouts in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK).

Nine sites, including headquarters and training centres of Pakistan-based terrorist outfit Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) and Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), from where terror attacks against India were planned and



directed, were targeted under Operation Sindoor in the early Wednesday strikes.

"Prime Minister Shri @narendramodi called on President Droupadi Murmu at Rashtrapati Bhavan and briefed her about Operation Sindoor," the President's office said in a post on X and shared pictures of the meeting.

The military strikes came two weeks after the Pahalgam terror attack in which 26 civilians, including a Nepali citizen, were killed.

## India ready to 'retaliate resolutely' if Pak escalates tensions: NSA to his counterparts

NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): National Security Adviser Ajit Doval on Wednesday told his counterparts in various countries that India has no intent to escalate tensions but is prepared to "retaliate resolutely" if Pakistan does so, officials said.

Doval briefed his counterparts in the US, the UK, Saudi Arabia and Japan about India's missile strikes against terror infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistan-occu-

pied Jammu and Kashmir. He also established contact with Russia and France, officials said.

"The NSA briefed his counterparts on actions taken and method of execution, which was measured, non-escalatory and restrained. He emphasised that India had no intent to escalate but was well prepared to retaliate resolutely should Pakistan decide to escalate," an official said.

The conversations

took place soon after India carried out Operation Sindoor at nine sites.

He spoke to US NSA and Secretary of State Marco Rubio, UK's Jonathan Powell, Saudi Arabia's Musaid Al Aiban, UAE's Sheikh Tahnoon, and Japan's Masataka Okano.

"Contact was also established with Russian NSA Sergei Shoigu, Member of Political Bureau of CPC Central Committee and Minister



of Foreign Affairs of PRC Wang Yi and Diplomatic Adviser to French President Emmanuel Bonne,"

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darity are the need of

the hour, and the Indian

the official said.

Doval will be in further touch with his counterparts in the days ahead.

# Proud moment for all of us, PM told cabinet colleagues after Op Sindoor: Sources



NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): Prime Minister Narendra Modi, during a meeting on Wednesday, briefed Cabinet ministers about India's successful execution of 'Operation Sindoor' and termed it a "moment of proud for everyone". The PM commended the armed forces for their swift and precise strikes on nine terror camps located across Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK), emphasising the efficiency and effectiveness of the mission, sources told agency.

The Prime Minister, who was continuously monitoring India's strikes which lasted 25 minutes, told his ministers that this is a new India. During the meeting, PM Modi also said that the operation was necessary, stating, "The entire nation was looking towards us. We are proud of our armed

Cabinet members welcomed the action with applause, thumping their desks in support.

In a swift and coordinated blitz lasting just 25 minutes, India carried out its most expansive cross-border strikes since Balakot, targeting nine terror facilities in Pakistan and PoK under Operation Sindoor.

More than 80 terrorists linked to banned outfits Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) and Hizbul Mujahideen were killed in the precision strikes, top sources said. The military action was measured and the targets were selected based on credible intel, the government said at a briefing

ing.
Islamabad said 26 civilians were killed and 46 others were injured in India's missile strikes.
India maintained that only terror hideouts and no Pakistani military installations, were targeted. "Our actions

have been focused, measured and non-escalatory in nature... India has demonstrated considerable restraint in the selection of targets and method of execution," the government said in a statement.

Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif termed the assault a "blatant act of war" and said his country has every right to give a "befitting reply".

PM Modi codenamed the military action in Pakistan and PoK as Operation Sindoor, keeping in mind the widows of the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack. Top government sources told India Today TV that the Prime Minister was clear-eyed about the human cost of the terror attack.

The operation's name - Sindoor, the vermillion worn by married Hindu women - was a deliberate invocation of grief, memory and resolve.

## "Extremely proud": Priyanka Gandhi praises Army for Operation Sindoor

NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): Congress MP from Wayanad, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, on Wednesday praised the Indian Army for carrying out Operation Sindoor, initiating precision strikes aimed at the terror infrastructure in Pakistan.

In a post on X (formerly Twitter), Priyanka Gandhi wrote, "We are extremely proud of our army. Our brave soldiers protect our freedom and integrity. May God protect them and give them immense courage to face challenges with patience and bravery."

Congress leader and Lok Sabha Leader of Opposition (LoP) praised the Indian Army for carrying out Operation Sindoor, initiating precision strikes aimed

at the terror infrastructure in Pakistan.

"Proud of our Armed Forces. Jai Hind!" Mr Gandhi posted on X.

Congress leader Pawan Khera said, "We are proud of our Army. If someone threatens Indian citizens, they will meet the same fate. Our Army has proven that again. On the night of April 22, we (Congress) said that we would stand with the government. If someone threatens India, we will support what the government decides. The country stands united."

Congress chief and Rajya Sabha LoP Mallikarjun Kharge also applauded the accomplishment of the Indian armed forces during Operation Sindoor, saying that national



unity and solidarity were the need of the hour.

He said that the Congress has stood with the decisions of the armed forces and the government since the ghastly Pahalgam terror attack that claimed the lives of 26 people.

"Since the day of the

National Congress stands with our Armed Forces. Our leaders have shown the path in past, and National Interest is supreme for us," Mr Kharge posted on X.

"India has an unflinching National Policy against all forms of terrorism emanating from Pakistan and PoK. We are extremely proud of our Indian Armed Forces, who have struck terror camps in Pakistan and PoK. We applaud their resolute resolve and courage," he added.

Operation Sindoor, a targeted military action against nine anti-India terror camps in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK). The operation was carried out in retaliation for the terror attack in Phalgam.

## Authorities shut Kartarpur corridor after 'Operation Sindoor', pilgrims not allowed passage

CHANDIGARH, May 7 (Agencies): The Kartarpur corridor at Dera Baba Nanak in Punjab's Gurdaspur district was shut for the day, a senior official said on Wednesday.

The development came after the Indian armed forces early Wednesday carried out missile strikes on nine terror camps in Pakistan and Pakistanoccupied Kashmir (PoK), including the Jaish-e-Mohammad stronghold of Bahawalpur and Lashkar-e-Taiba's base in Muridke.

The Kartarpur corridor links the Darbar Sahib gurdwara in Pakistan, the final resting place of Sikhism founder Guru Nanak Dev, to the Dera Baba Nanak shrine in Gurdaspur district.

Stating that the Kartarpur corridor has been suspended for the day, the official said pilgrims will not be allowed to visit the Darbar Sahib gurdwara go on

Wednesday.

Many pilgrims reached the Kartarpur corridor on Wednesday morning to offer prayers at the gurdwara in Pakistan but they were asked to return.

The Kartarpur corridor was opened on November 9, 2019, on the 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev. Indian pilgrims of all faiths are allowed to undertake round the year visa-free travel to the historic gurdwara in Kartarpur, the final resting place of Guru Nanak Dev. As per the agreement signed between India and Pakistan, 5,000 pilgrims per day could cross over to the neighbouring country to pay obeisance at the historic gurdwara.

The military strikes were conducted early Wednesday under 'Operation Sindoor', two weeks after the terror attack in Kashmir's Pahalgam that killed 26 people, mostly tourists, on April 22.

# **CBI Director Praveen Sood** gets one year's extension

NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): The Centre on Wednesday extended the tenure of CBI Director Praveen Sood by one year.

Sood took over as the CBI director on May 25, 2023 for a two-year term.

The decision to extend his tenure was taken in a meeting of the selection committee headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and comprising Chief Justice of India Sanjiv Khanna and Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi on Monday, officials said.

The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC), based on the recommendations of the selection committee, approved Sood's extension for a period of one year beyond May 24.

Sood is a 1986-batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer of the Kar-



nataka cadre. He was working as

Karnataka's director general of police (DGP) when he was named as the director of the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI). Born in Himachal Pradesh's Kangra district in 1964, Sood joined the IPS at the age of 22 years after completing his civil engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi. He also holds a post-graduation degree from the Indian Institute of Management, Bengaluru and the Maxwell School of Governance,

Syracuse University in New York.

Sood, known for his hands-on approach, had supervised investigation of high profile cases involving high net-worth individuals and matters having inter-state and international ramifications.

The tech-savvy officer had worked for the strengthening of the CCTNS (Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems) and the ICJS (Interoperable Criminal Justice System) in Karnataka along with the judiciary.

## 'Operation Sankalp': 22 Naxalites killed in encounter with security forces in Chhattisgarh

BIJAPUR, May 7 (Agencies): Twenty-two Naxalites were killed in an encounter with security forces on Wednesday in the forests of Chhattisgarh's Bijapur district bordering Telangana during 'Operation Sankalp', a massive counter-insurgency initiative, a senior police official said.

The gunfight broke out in the morning in the Karregutta hills forest along the interstate border, he said. "So far, bodies of 22 Naxalites have been recovered

"So far, bodies of 22 Naxalites have been recovered and a search operation was underway in the area", he said, adding that the identity of the slain cadres was yet to be established.

With the latest encounter, the toll of Naxalites gunned down under Operation Sankalp since April 21 has climbed to 26.

Operation Sankalp, one of the biggest counter-insurgency actions launched in the Bastar region, involves around 24,000 security personnel from different units including District Reserve Guard (DRG), Bastar Fighters, Special Task Force (STF), all units of state police, Central reserve Police Force (CRPF) and its elite unit Cobra.

The operation was launched based on inputs about the presence of senior cadres of battalion no. 1, the strongest military formation of Maoists, Dandakaranya Special Zonal Committee (DKSZC) and Telangana state committee of Maoists.

On April 24, three Naxalite women, belonging to the PLGA battalion no.1 of Maoists carrying a reward of Rs 8 lakh each, were gunned down on the Karregutta hills, leading to the recovery of a huge cache of weapons, explosives, and other material.

## Mamata Banerjee's 'Jai Hind' post after Operation Sindoor sparks reactions



KOLKATA, May 7 (Agencies): A reaction hailing India posted by West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on X, presumably on 'Operation Sindoor' that the country launched against Pakistan, attracted snide comments from people on Wednesday morning.

Chief Minister Banerjee, who is generally known for ending any statement, verbal or written, with the slogan "Jai Bangla" on Wednesday made a post on her official X handle which read "Jai Hind! Jai India!"

Soon after the comment was posted there were snide reactions from individuals

One person questioned whether the Chief Minister's X account had been hacked and the post "Jai Hind! Jai India!" was made by the hacker.

"Very unlikely post. Account

hacked????" read the reply to the post by the Chief Minister.

Another respondent reminded the Chief Minister of her demand in March 2019 seeking evidence from the Union government about the Indian Air Force's strike at Balakot in Pakistan.

While raising the demand at that point in time, Mamata Banerjee stated that the people of India had the right to know the details of the destruction caused in the operations.

"When India strikes back, Mamata Banerjee, you tweeted 'Jai Hind! Jai India'. But in 2019, you praised the IAF one day and demanded proof the next-casting doubt on their valour. Patriotism isn't seasonal, Didi. Stop the chameleon politics," said another respondent to the post by the Chief Minister.

A third respondent to the post requested the Chief Minister to ensure that the Information Technology cell of Trinamool Congress spreads the message of nationalism for the next few days.

Another respondent reminded the Chief Minister of past instances where she criticised the Indian Army.

"Remember how you criticised the Indian Army! Why can't you write a post appreciating the Armed Forces and the Modi govt? Very difficult na? Quam must be hurting so much," his reply read.

## **People knew something was going to happen:** Trump on Indian strikes on Pak

WASHINGTON, May 7 (Agencies): As Indian early Wednesday launched missile strikes on terror targets in Pakistan, US President Donald Trump said India and Pakistan have been fighting for a long time and people knew "something was going to happen".

Indian armed forces launched 'Operation Sindoor' early Wednesday, carrying out missile strikes on nine terror targets in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir, including Bahawalpur which is a stronghold of the Jaish-e-Mohammad terror outfit.



"It's a shame, we just heard about it just as we were walking in the doors of the Oval. I guess people knew something was going to happen based on a little bit of the past," Trump

"They've been fighting for a long time. They've been fighting for many, many decades and centuries, actually, if you really think about it," Trump said when asked about the attacks between India and Pakistan.

When asked if he has any message for the countries, he said "No, I just hope it ends very

## Emergency declared in Pakistan's Punjab province after Indian missile strikes

LAHORE, May 7 (Agencies): Emergency was declared on Wednesday in Pakistan's Punjab province even as all educational institutions closed in the wake of the Indian missile attack.

The Pakistan army said that at least 26 people were killed and 46 injured in the Indian strikes launched shortly after midnight on cities in the Punjab province and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK).

"Punjab Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz has declared a state of emergency across the province," a Punjab government statement said here.

All security agencies, including Punjab police, have been placed on high alert. Leaves of all doctors and medical staff across hospitals in Punjab have been cancelled.

The statement said all staff have been ordered to report for duty immediately and district administrations in all districts of Punjab have also been placed on high alert.

Officers and personnel of all relevant institutions, including Civil Defence, have been summoned, it said.

The educational institutions would remain closed on Wednesday, the statement said.

The Pakistan airspace which was closed for all flight operations following the Indian attack is now partially being opened.



Indian armed forces early Wednesday carried out missile strikes on nine terror targets in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied

Kashmir under Operation Sindoor in retaliation for the Pahalgam terror attack on April 22 that killed 26 people.

## A Russian missile-and-drones attack kills two people in Ukraine's capital



KYIV, May 7 (Agencies): Russia launched a missile and a barrage of drones targeting the Ukrainian capital before dawn on Wednesday, leaving at least two people dead, Ukrainian officials said.

Eight people were also wounded in the attack, including four children, the Kyiv City Military Administration said in a post on Telegram.

The attack came ahead of a planned unilateral 72-hour ceasefire in the more than three-year war announced by Russian President Vladimir Putin to coincide with celebrations in Moscow marking Victory Day in World War II. Ukraine has unsuccessfully sought a longer and immediate truce.

The Kremlin said the truce, ordered on "humanitarian grounds," would start on Thursday and last through Satur-

day to mark Moscow's defeat of Nazi Germany

in 1945.

At least one ballistic missile and 28 Russian drones were recorded in the airspace of the Ukrainian capital, Kyiv, the administration said. Air Defense forces shot down the missile and 11 drones.

A five-story residential building in the Shevchenkivskyi district was hit by drone debris, sparking a fire in several apartments where the victims were found, he said. Four people, including three children, were hospitalized, while others received treatment on site.

In the Sviatoshynskyi district, fire broke out across multiple upperfloor apartments of a nine-story building after drone debris impact, according to the Kyiv City Military Administration. Five people were rescued from the blaze, which spanned 100 square meters.

In Dniprovskyi district, the upper floors of a high-rise were partially destroyed by a drone strike, but no injuries were reported. In Solomianskyi, a ballistic missile was intercepted by air defense, with the warhead falling and damaging non-residential infrastructure. One person was injured in that strike.

There was no immediate comment from Moscow on the attack.

Victory Day celebrates the Soviet Union's defeat of Nazi Germany in 1945 and is Russia's biggest secular holiday. Chinese President Xi Jinping, Brazilian leader Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva and others will gather in the Russian capital on Thursday for the 80th anniversary and watch a parade featuring thousands of troops accompanied by tanks and missiles.

Ukraine's Foreign Ministry urged foreign countries not to send military representatives to take part in the parade, as some have in the past. None is officially confirmed for this year's

## Pakistan PM Sharif terms Indian strikes on terror targets as 'act of war', vows to respond

ISLAMABAD, May 7 (Agencies): Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif early Wednesday termed the Indian missile strikes on terror targets in Pakistanoccupied Kashmir and Punjab province as an "act of war" and said his country has every right to give a "befitting reply."

In retaliation for the Pahalgam terror attack, Indian armed forces carried out missile strikes early Wednesday, hitting terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan and PoK from where terrorist attacks against India have been planned and directed, the Indian Army said.

Pakistan Army spokesman Lt Gen Ahmed Sharif Chaudhry said at least eight people were killed and 35 others injured in Indian missile attacks on cities in Puniab and PoK. agency reported.

Army spokesman Chaudhry, in an earlier morning press conference statement, said that a total of 24 impacts have been reported by India, with different weapons, in six localities.

"In these six localities, eight Pakistanis have been killed, 35 have been injured and two are missing," he said.

He said that in Bahwalpur's area of Ahmedpur East, Subhan mosque was targeted.

"Here, there were four strikes and five Pakistanis were killed, including a three-yearold girl. Thirty-one civilians have been injured, including 25 men and six women," he said.

He said the mosque was destroyed, while four quarters in which people were living were

also destroyed. He said that in Muzaffarabad, the Bilal



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Sharif said his armed

forces "know very well

how to deal with the

enemy". "We will never

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The Prime Minister has

summoned a meeting

of the National Security

Pakistan has closed its

Deputy Prime Minister

and Foreign Minister

Ishaq Dar termed the

Indian strikes as a "fla-

grant violation" of Paki-

stan's sovereignty, the

UN Charter & interna-

"It has jeopardised

regional peace," he said

In a statement, the For-

eign Office termed the

strikes by the "Indian Air

Force, while remaining

within Indian airspace,"

as an "unprovoked and

"We will respond

with full force. We will

pay off this debt in the

manner such debt is

paid," Defence Minister

Khawaja Asif told Geo

He said Pakistan's

response would be both

kinetic and diplomatic,

and it would not take

long to retaliate to the

"All places are open for

the international media

to verify if they targeted

Indian attack.

News.

blatant act of war".

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Council at 10 am.

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mosque was targeted. "There were seven impacts, in which one girl was injured and a

mosque was destroyed," he said. While in Kotli, Abbat mosque was targeted. "There were five

impacts and two people died, including a 16-year-old girl and an 18-year-old boy. A woman and her daughter are both injured." he said.

He also said, "In Muridke, Umalkura mosque was targeted and there were four strikes. One man has been killed, while another is injured. Two people are missing," he said.

The spokesman said a mosque has been destroyed and potters have sustained economic damages.

"In Sialkot district, in the village of Kotki Lohara, there were two strikes," he added.

"One missile misfired, while one fell in an open field. There was no damage.

"Near Shakargarh, there were two strikes with no damage. There was minor damage to a dispensary," he said.

Prime Minister Sharif said that India carried out attacks at five places in Pakistan.

"Pakistan has every right to give a befitting reply to this act of war imposed by India, and a strong response is

Officials said that the Indian strikes targeted five places in Kotli, Muzaffarabad, and Bagh in PoK and in the Bahawalpur and Muridke areas of Punjab.

terrorists' camps or civil-

ians," he said.

India launched air strikes on the Subhanullah mosque in Bahwalpur's Ahmed East area, Kotli and Muzaffarabad at three places from the air, the army spokesman told agency.

"All of our air force jets are airborne. This cowardly and shameful attack was carried out from within India's airspace. They were never allowed to come and intrude into the space of Pakistan," he said.

"Let me say it unequivocally: Pakistan will respond to this at a time and place of its own choosing. This heinous provocation will not go unanswered," he added.

This "temporary happiness" that India has achieved with this attack will be replaced with enduring grief, he said.

Ties between India and Pakistan plummeted following the Pahalgam terror attack on April 22 that killed 26 people, mostly tourists.

India announced a raft of punitive measures against Pakistan, including the suspension of the Indus Waters Treaty, shutting down of the only operational land border crossing at Attari and downgrading of diplomatic ties following the terror attack.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi had told the top defence brass that the armed forces have "complete operational freedom" to decide on the mode, targets and timing of India's response to the attack.

## Russia expresses 'deep concern' at escalation of tensions between India, Pakistan over Pahalgam terror strike

MOSCOW, May 7 (Agencies): Russia on Wednesday expressed deep concern at the escalation of military confrontation between India and Pakistan in the wake of the Pahalgam terror attack.

"We are deeply concerned about the intensifying military confrontation between India and Pakistan after the terrorist attack near the city of Pahalgam,"

Russia Foreign Ministry spokesperson Maria Zakharova was quoted as saying by state-run news agency TASS.

Russia strongly condemns acts of terrorism, opposes any of its manifestations and emphasises the need to unite the efforts of the entire world community to effectively combat this evil, Zakharova said.

"We call on the parties involved to exercise restraint in order to prevent further deterioration of the situation in the region.

"We hope that the differences between New Delhi and Islamabad will be resolved through peaceful, political and diplomatic means on a bilateral basis in accordance with the provisions of the Simla Agreement of 1972 and the Lahore Declaration

of 1999," the spokesper-

in the wake of 'Operation Sindoor'.

India launched 'Operation Sindoor' targeting terror infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistanoccupied Kashmir in a strong response to the terror attack in Pahalgam.

The April 22 attack, carried out by the terror organisation The Resistance Front, killed 26 civilians.

## **UN chief Antonio Guterres calls for 'maximum** military restraint' from India and Pakistan



UNITED NATIONS, May 7 (Agencies): UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres on Wednesday called for "maximum military restraint" from India and Pakistan, saying the world cannot afford a military confrontation between the two countries.

"The Secretary-General is very concerned about the Indian military operations across the Line of Control and international border. He calls for maximum military restraint from both countries.

The world cannot afford a military confrontation between India and Pakistan," the secretarygeneral's spokesman, Stéphane Dujarric, said.

His remarks came hours after the Indian Armed Forces launched 'Operation Sindoor', hitting terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir, from where terrorist attacks against India have been planned and directed.

Altogether, nine sites have been targeted.

These steps come in the wake of the barbaric Pahalgam terrorist attack in which 25 Indians and one Nepali citizen were murdered, the Ministry of Defence said.

#### Israeli strikes across Gaza kill at least 59 as Israel prepares to ramp up its offensive

DEIR AL-BALAH, May 7 (Agencies): Israeli strikes across Gaza killed at least 59 people, including women and children, hospital officials said Wednesday, as Israel prepares to ramp up its campaign against Hamas in a devastating war now entering its 20th month.

The strikes included one attack on Tuesday night on a school sheltering hundreds of displaced Palestinians. which killed 27 people, officials from the Al-Agsa Hospital said, including nine women and three children. It was the fifth time since the war began that the school in central Gaza has been struck.

An early morning strike on another school turned shelter in Gaza City killed 16 people, according to officials at Al-Ahli Hospital, while

strikes on targets in other areas killed at least 16 others.

A large column of smoke rose and fires pierced the dark skies above the school shelter in Bureij, a builtup urban refugee camp. Paramedics and rescuers rushed to pull people out from the blaze.

The Israeli military had no immediate comment on the strikes. Israel blames Hamas for the death toll because it operates from civilian infrastructure, including schools.

The new bloodshed comes days after Israel approved a plan to intensify its operations in the Palestinian enclave, which would include seizing Gaza, holding on to captured territories, forcibly displacing Palestinians to southern Gaza and taking control of aid distribution along with private security companies. Israel is also calling up tens of

thousands of reserve soldiers to carry out the plan.

Israel says the plan will be gradual and will not be implemented until after U.S. President Donald Trump wraps up his visit to the region later this month.

Any escalation of fighting would likely drive up the death toll. And with Israel already controlling some 50% of Gaza, increasing its hold on the territory, for an indefinite amount of time, could open up the potential for a military occupation, which would raise questions about how Israel plans to have the territory governed, especially at a time when it is considering how to implement Trump's vision to take over Gaza.



## Prof. Jasim Mohd backs Narendra Modi Govt's bold stand against Pahalgam attack

#### **Top News Report**

NEW DELHI, May 7: The Chairman of the Centre for Narendra Modi Studies (CNMS), Prof. Jasim Mohammad, has lauded the Modi government for launching 'Operation Sindoor'—a bold and decisive step in response to

the recent terror attack in Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir.

Praising the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah, Prof. Jasim said, "The government has sent a clear and strong message that any attack

on Indian lives will not be tolerated. 'Operation Sindoor' reflects Bharat's unwavering commitment to protect its sovereignty and fight terrorism with full force." Former MLA Neelda-

its sovereignty and fight terrorism with full force." Former MLA Neeldaman Khatri said, "The people of India stand united behind the Modi government.

This firm action gives confidence to every citizen that the safety of our nation is the top priority." CNMS Advisory Coun-

CNMS Advisory Council Members Prof. Divya Tanwar and Dr Jawaid Rahmani strongly condemned the Pahalgam attack, calling it "a shameful and cowardly act that took away the

lives of innocent people."
Secretary of CNMS
Nikhat Parveen said,
"Terrorism has no place
in a civilized society. It is
time the world recognizes India's right to defend

its people.
The Narendra Modi government has shown that national security will never be compromised."

Treasurer of CNMS Dr Daulat Ram Sharma said "There is no place for terrorism in India and in the World"

The Centre for Narendra Modi Studies stands in full support of the government's mission to uproot terrorism and uphold national dignity.

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#### Mock drills cancelled in Jammu...

According to media reports, the decision was taken as the region remains on heightened alert following the Indian Army's deep strikes inside Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir in response to the Pahalgam terror attack.

The drills were part of a nationwide emergency preparedness initiative, reportedly the first of its kind since 1971. Scheduled to commence at 4 pm on Wednesday, the exercise was to include the operationalisation of air-raid sirens, evacuation rehearsals, and training in the cleaning and maintenance of "Sindoor" bunkers and trenches — measures intended to familiarise civilians with protocols during a hostile attack.

However, officials in Jammu and Kashmir opted to cancel the drills in light of the ongoing security operations and the need to avoid public gatherings in vulnerable areas. The state remains under close watch by both civil and military authorities, who continue to monitor developments along the Line of Control and International Border.

Mock drills are expected to proceed in other parts of the country as planned, as states and Union Territories step up emergency preparedness efforts following directives from the central government.

## Operation Sindoor: Govt convenes...

forces targeting terror targets in Pakistan and Pakistan-Occupied Kashmir.

Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Riiiju posted on X about the proposed meeting.

"Govt has called an All Party leaders meeting at 11 am on 8th May, 2025 at Committee Room: G-074, in the Parliament Library Building, Parliament Complex

in New Delhi," he said.

The government on Wednesday said Indian military carried out a "measured, non-escalatory, proportionate, and responsible" strike to dismantle terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan to "deter and to pre-empt" any further terrorist strikes to retaliate the Pahalgam attack.

#### Minor reshuffle in Police Deptt.

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Additionally, Ghulam Hassan Sheikh, Additional SP Anantnag (Over All Reserve post), has been transferred and posted as Dy.CO IR-23, replacing Shri Rameez Raja, reads the order.

#### J&K Govt orders reshuffle...

As per an order issued by the J&K Home Department, Mr. Uttam Chand, IPS, IG (POS) HQ, shall now hold the charge of IGP (Hqrs) PHQ, J&K, IG (Tech), and IG (Telecom) in addition to his own duties. He replaces M. Suleman Choudhary, IPS, who has been relieved of the additional charge.

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against sharing or uploading any content related to security deployments or ongoing operations on social media platforms.

In a post on X, Cyber Police Kashmir said, "People are advised not to Share or upload any content related to security deployments or operations on social media. Such actions pose serious risks and will invite strict legal action under relevant laws, Exercise responsibility, as such acts compromise public safety."

Authorities have reiterated that leaking or circulating sensitive information not only endangers lives but also obstructs official duties, and violators will be dealt with firmly under cyber and security laws.

#### **CM Omar chairs emergency..**

Omar, is underway to assess the situation in border

They said that the meeting is being held with deputy commissioners of Kathua, Jammu, Samba, Rajouri, Poonch, Baramulla, Kupwara and Bandipore via video conferencing

#### **Indian Airlines Cancel..**

Jamnagar, Chandigarh and Rajkot till noon.Jammu travel guide

"Two international flights en route to Amritsar are being diverted to Delhi. We regret the inconvenience caused due to this unforeseen disruption," the airline said in a post on X.

According to SpiceJet, due to the ongoing situation, airports in parts of northern India, including Dharamshala (DHM), Leh (IXL), Jammu (IXJ), Srinagar (SXR), and Amritsar (ATQ), are closed until further notice.

"Departures, arrivals, and consequential flights may be impacted," it said in a post on X.

IndiGo, in a post on X, said that due to changing airspace conditions in the region, flights to and from Srinagar, Jammu, Amritsar, Leh, Chandigarh and Dharamshala are impacted.

Air India Express said that in keeping with prevailing

restrictions, multiple flights on our network are impacted including cancellation of flights to and from Amritsar, Jammu, Srinagar and Hindon till mid-day. "Due to the prevailing situation in the region, Srinagar

airport has been closed for civil operations. As a result, our flights to and from Srinagar have been cancelled," Akasa Air said in a post on X.

Indian armed forces early Wednesday carried out missile strikes on nine terror targets in Pakistan and

Pakistan-occupied Kashmir, including Jaish-e-Mohamad stronghold of Bahawalpur and Lashkar-e-Taiba's base Muridke.

#### Srinagar airport closure disrupts..

The situation is assessed, but we had high chances of cancellation – which has now been confirmed," Dr Qureshi said.

Two flights scheduled for May 7 and 8 have been cancelled. The revised schedule, as per the Hajj panel's notification, will be communicated accordingly.

"There was only one flight with 320 pilgrims scheduled to depart from Srinagar to Madina today. As of now, there is no update on when services might resume. The closure of the airport and growing security concerns have left us with little clarity regarding upcoming schedules," Dr Quershi said.

#### 'Abhi Picture Baki Hai...':

Earlier, in an official statement, the Ministry of Defence said, "The Indian Armed Forces launched 'OPERATION SINDOOR', hitting terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir from where terrorist attacks against India have been planned and directed." "Altogether, nine (9) sites have been targeted."

It further said, "Our actions have been focused, measured and non-escalatory in nature. No Pakistani military facilities have been targeted. India has demonstrated considerable restraint in the selection of targets and method of execution."

## Closely monitoring situation...

and government is fully prepared to deal with any eventuality.

"Took stock of the situation in border districts of J&K UT with all the senior administrative, police & district officials including DCs of all the border districts. I'm closely monitoring the situation & govt is fully prepared to deal with any eventuality," he said.

He added that he also directed the DCs for shifting of villagers from vulnerable areas to safer locations and ensuring boarding, lodging, food, medicare and transportation and that safety of every citizen will be ensured.

#### Shah in touch with Omar...

by the Indian Army in response to the ghastly Pahalgam terrorist attack.

The Union Home Minister is also constantly in touch with Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor (LG) Manoj Sinha and the Director General of the Border Security Force (BSF). Shah has instructed DG BSF to ensure all safety measures for people living in border areas.

Meanwhile, Lt. Governor Manoj Sinha reviewed the situation in the border districts of Jammu and Kashmir this morning.

He has directed the District Collectors to shift villagers from vulnerable areas and ensure essential services remain available.

"I've also directed the DCs for shifting of villagers

from vulnerable areas to safer locations and ensuring boarding, lodging, food, medicare and transportation. We will ensure safety of every citizen. Jai Hind!" Office of Lieutenant Governor (J&K) posted on X.

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Earlier in the day, Shah asserted that India remains committed to eradicating terrorism from its roots.

He praised the Army for initiating 'Operation Sindoor' in response to the ghastly Pahalgam terrorist attack, which claimed the lives of 26 people and injured many. The Union Home Minister said that the Narendra Modi government was resolved to retaliate against any attack on Indian citizens.

"Proud of our armed forces. Operation Sindoor is Bharat's response to the brutal killing of our innocent brothers in Pahalgam. The Modi government is resolved to give a befitting response to any attack on India and its people. Bharat remains firmly committed to eradicating terrorism from its roots," Shah posed on X.

eradicating terrorism from its roots," Shah posed on X. The precision strikes have been carried out against Pakistan, aimed at its terror infrastructure.

India has carried out its deepest strikes inside Pakistan's undisputed territory since 1971, successfully targeting terror camps in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir. This marks New Delhi's most significant military action within Pakistani territory in over five decades.

## Op Sindoor: 10 family members..

in the attack on Jamia Masjid Subhan Allah in Bahawalpur included the JeM chief's elder sister and her husband, a nephew and his wife, another niece, and five children from his extended family.

The statement further mentioned that the attack also claimed the lives of one of Azhar's close associates and his mother, along with two other close companions.

"This act of brutality has broken all boundaries. There should be no expectation of mercy now," it added. Bahawalpur became the hub of the JeM after the

release of Azhar in exchange for the hijacked passengers of IC-814 in 1999.

In May 2019, the United Nations designated Azhar a "global terrorist" after China lifted its hold on a proposal to blacklist the JeM chief, a decade after New Delhi approached the world body for the first time on

the issue. The elusive Azhar, who has not been seen in public since April 2019, is believed to be hiding in a "safe place" in Bahawalpur.

The group has been involved in a series of terror attacks in India, including the Parliament attack in 2001, the strike on the Jammu and Kashmir assembly in 2000, the attack on the IAF base in Pathankot in 2016

and the Pulwama suicide bombing in 2019.

On May 7, 2025, in the early hours of dawn, India launched Operation Sindoor—a rare and bold tri-services military strike deep inside Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK). This operation was India's firm response to the Pahalgam terror attack that occurred on April 22, claiming 26 innocent lives, mostly tourists,

## in Jammu and Kashmir. Indian Air Force (IAF)

\* Led the operation with Rafale fighter jets, launching SCALP long-range cruise missiles and HAMMER precision bombs from Indian airspace.

\* Supported by Mirage-2000s and Sukhoi-30MKIs, the Air Force carried out standoff strikes that avoided Pakistani airspace.

\* Maintained combat air patrols and initiated largescale air exercises to deter retaliation.

#### 9 Strategic Terror Targets

India hit nine key terror hubs, selected for their direct involvement in past or planned attacks on Indian soil. The locations were across Punjab province in Pakistan and PoK, close to Jammu and Kashmir:

## Bahawalpur (Punjab Province, Pakistan) \* Approx. 180–200 km from Fazilka, Punjab (India)

\* Headquarters of Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM). Central command for terror planning, including Pulwama and Parliament attacks.

#### Muridke (Punjab Province, Pakistan)

\* Approx. 140 km from Gurdaspur, Punjab (India)
\* Base of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT). Linked to the 2008
Mumbai and 2025 Pahalgam attacks.

## Kotli (PoK) \* Approx. 35–40 km from Poonch, J&K (India)

\* Terror training base for suicide bombers. Frequently used to launch infiltrators into Kashmir. **Gulpur (PoK)** 

\* Approx. 6–7 km from Poonch, J&K (India)

\* Key launchpad for attacks in Rajouri and Poonch

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 Sawai (Kotli District, PoK)

## \* Approx. 15 km from Jammu sector, J&K (India) \* Camp for planning attacks across Sonmarg, Gul-

\* Camp for planning attacks across Sonmarg, Gulmarg, and Pahalgam in the Kashmir Valley.

Sarjal (Kotli District, PoK)

\* Approx. 12 km from Poonch, J&K (India)
\* Known infiltration corridor through rugged terrain.

Often used by small terror squads.

\* Staging area for ceasefire violations and militant

\* Approx. 30 km from Samba district, J&K (India)

crossings into Indian territory.

Mehmoona (near Sialkot, PoK)

\* Safehouse of Hizbul Mujahideen. Used for launching

minor but frequent raids across the border.

Tattapani (Poonch District, PoK)

\* Contained weapons depots and training sites for

#### \* Approx. 5 km from Krishna Ghati sector.

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## new recruits. Hit to block further infiltration. Aftermath and Global Reactions

Pakistan's Claim: Six areas struck, 8 civilians killed, 22 injured. Claimed 5 Indian jets downed (India has denied these false allegations).

India's Stand: Confirmed nine terror hubs hit. Empha-

## sized no civilian or military sites were targeted. Indian Civilian Casualties: Three killed due to

Diplomacy: NSA Ajit Doval briefed the United States, and India also reached out to the UK, Russia, and Saudi Arabia, clarifying the strikes were limited to terror infrastructure.

#### What Operation Sindoor Signifies

Pakistani shelling in J&K.

- \* First joint Army-Navy-Air Force operation since 1971.

  \* Strongest-ever Indian military message to terror sponsors across the border.
- \* Demonstrates a shift from reactive to proactive counter-terrorism.
- \* Conducted with restraint—avoiding escalation while ensuring accountability.
- \* Marks a new era in India's security doctrine: swift, strategic, and united.

#### Final Thoughts

Operation Sindoor is not just a retaliation—it is a reminder that India will act decisively when provoked. With minimal collateral damage and maximum strategic effect, India has shown the world that it can protect its sovereignty without triggering all-out war. The strike serves both as deterrence and a wake-up call—that those who harbor terror must bear the consequences.

But the situation remains sensitive. India must now combine its military strength with diplomatic outreach to avoid escalation and encourage Pakistan to act against terror outfits operating on its soil.

## Pakistan Army pounds villages ..

Indian armed forces carried out missile attacks on nine terror targets in Pakistan and Pakistan-Occupied Kashmir to avenge the April 22 terror attack in south Kashmir's Pahalgam that had left 26 civilians dead.

The officials said the Indian Army is responding to the shelling in a befitting manner, resulting in many casualties on the enemy side after several of their posts engaged in firing were destroyed.

The worst-hit in the Pakistani shelling was Poonch district which accounted for all the civilian deaths, the officials said, adding 42 people were also injured and the condition of some of them was stated to be serious.

The indiscriminate shelling by Pakistan created panic

among the border residents who were forced to take refuge in underground bunkers or shift to safer places within or outside their villages, the officials said.

The shelling was reported from all along the LoC in Poonch, including Balakote, Mendhar, Mankote,

Krishna Ghati, Gulpur, Kerni and even Poonch district

headquarters, resulting in damage to dozens of houses

and vehicles, they said.
The officials identified the deceased as Balvinder Kour alias "Ruby" (33), Mohd Zain Khan (10), his elder sister Zoya Khan (12), Mohd Akram (40), Amrik Singh (55), Mohd Iqbal (45), Ranjeet Singh (48), Shakeela Bi (40), Amarjeet Singh (47), Maryam Khatoon (7), Vihaan

Bhargav (13) and Mohd Rafi (40).

Ten persons, including five minor children were also injured in cross-border shelling in Uri sector of Baramulla district, while three others were injured in Rajouri district, the officials said, adding several houses also caught fire due to shelling in Karnah sector of Kupwara district.

The shelling from across the border was intense till noon and later continued intermittently, mostly restricting to Poonch sector. Locals faced a tough time in evacuating the victims to hospital in view of the heavy shelling which also hit Poonch bus stand, damaging several vehicles, the officials said.

Earlier, a defence spokesman said during the intervening night of May 6 and 7, the Pakistan Army resorted to arbitrary firing, including artillery shelling, from posts across the LoC and International Border opposite Jammu and Kashmir. He said the Indian Army is responding in a "proportion-

many casualties to the enemy forces after destroying several of their posts in the retaliatory action. Authorities have ordered that all educational institutions in the five border districts of Jammu region will

ate manner". Army sources said Indian troops caused

remain closed on Wednesday.

"In view of the prevailing situation, all schools, colleges and educational institutions in Jammu, Samba, Kathua, Rajouri and Poonch will remain closed today,"

Divisional Commissioner Ramesh Kumar said on X. This was the 13th consecutive night of unprovoked firing along the borders in Jammu and Kashmir, amid heightened tensions following the Pahalgam attack.

"Pakistan again violates the Ceasefire Agreement by firing artillery in Bhimber Gali in Poonch- Rajauri area Indian Army is responding appropriately in a calibrated manner," the additional directorate general of public information (ADGPI) of the Indian Army wrote on X. The ceasefire violations along the LoC and International Border (IB) have been very rare after India and Pakistan renewed the ceasefire agreement on February 25, 2021.

## SOS Int'l hails 'Op Sindoor', backs Armed Forces' strike on terror camps

## It's golden opportunity to liberate PoJK from Pakistan's occupation: Chuni

#### **Top News Report**

Jammu, May 7: The SOS International, a frontline organization of displaced persons from Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir (PoJK), today lauded the Government of India and the Indian Armed Forces on the successful execution of Operation Sindoor-a coordinated military offensive launched in the early hours of Tuesday, to dismantle terror infrastructure across PoJK and Pakistan

In a press statement here, Rajiv Chuni, Chairman of SOS International, said, "Operation Sindoor is a testament to India's unwavering resolve to eradicate terrorism and hold its perpetrators accountable.

The Indian Armed Forces have executed a flawless mission, striking at the heart of terror networks without any collateral damage to our side.

It has sent a strong message to Pakistan, that "India will not tolerate any attack on its sovereignty.

The refugee leader said this bold operation targeted and dismantled terrorist infrastructure across multiple locations in PoJK and Pakistan, delivering a powerful blow to the epicenters of cross-border terrorism.

"This is a proud moment for every Indian. Our armed forces have shown unmatched precision and bravery," Chuni said, adding that the success of Operation Sindoor presents a historic opportunity for India to address the long-standing issue of

Pakistan's illegal occu-

pation of PoJK.

He further said, "This is a historic opportunity for India to address the root cause of terrorism in the region. Pakistan's illegal occupation of PoJK has enabled the proliferation of terror camps that threaten not only India but global peace".

"It's time the international community

acknowledged Pakistan's role as a state sponsor of terror and backed India's efforts for regional security and justice for displaced communities," he said, adding "the SOS International stands firmly with the Government of India and urges decisive action to liberate PoJK from Pakistan's control.

This will not only dismantle the terror ecosystem but also restore the rightful properties and dignity of our displaced PoJK commu-

Citing preliminary reports, Mr Chuni appreciated the precision in which Operation Sindoor was executed



saying "over 80 terrorists were neutralized including several high-ranking commanders and operatives of notorious terrorist organizations, including JeM, LeT, and Hizbul Mujahideen. and significant logistical infrastructure of terror outfits was destroyed. Key strike locations included Bahawalpur, Muridke, Kotli, and Muzaffarabad, areas long believed to house terror training facilities and launch pads".

## **KVK-Ramban conducts training** on scientific cultivation of Maize

#### **Top News Report**

RAMBAN, May 7: As the Kharif season is approaching and Maize which constitutes a major crop of Kharif season in this district; KVK-Ramban imparted training to the farmers on scientific cultivation of Maize. Regarding the training programme Dr. Parveen Kumar (SMS) Ag. Extension at KVK-Ramban told that district Ramban is almost rainfed with more than 90 percent area dependent upon timely rainfall for cultivation of different crops in Kharif season.

Last year too farmers had to go for repeated sowing of Maize due to absence of timely rainfall. The lack of timely rainfall along with the crude and unscientific cultivation methods severely affects the production of maize in this district.

KVK-Ramban regularly conducts various trainings for the farming community on scientific cultivation of various crops. This training was also a part of the series of trainings being conducted with the aim of upgrading skills and knowledge of farming community on scientific cultivation of this staple and vital crop of the district.

Dr. Parveen Kumar deliberated in depth on the use of various high yielding and hybrid varieties of Maize and appealed to the farming community to replace their old traditional varieties which have low yields. They were also briefed on other aspects of Maize cultivation including preparation of fields, line sowing

of seed at appropriate depth and spacing, adequate drainage facilities, seed treatment, appropriate dose of fertilizers and time of application.

Farmers were also told about irrigation schedule, inter-culture operations in maize and insect pest and disease management. They were advised to go for intercropping of Maize with different crops including vegetables like cucumber.

Farming community also raised various queries which were addressed. KVK Ramban under the leadership of Prof. B. N. Tripathi Vice Chancellor and Prof. Amrish Vaid Director Extension has been regularly conducting various training programmes for the betterment of farming com-

## J&K BJP pays floral tributes to Adv. Ramesh Arora



#### **Top News Report**

JAMMU, May 7: The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), Jammu & Kashmir, paid rich floral tributes to former MLC and senior leader Adv. Ramesh Arora in a Shradhanjali Sabha organized at the party headquarters in Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.

Sat Sharma, President, J&K BJP, Sunil Sharma, Leader of Opposition and General Secretary, J&K BJP. Ashok Koul. General Secretary (organization), Jugal Kishore Sharma, MP (Lok Sabha), J&K BJP, Dr. Nirmal Singh and Kavinder Gupta, former

Deputy Chief Ministers, Dr. Devinder Kumar Manyal, MLA & General Secretary, J&K JBP, Ch. Vikram Randhawa, MLA, Adv. Sunil Sethi, Chief Spokesperson, J&K BJP, Baldev Singh Billawaria, senior leader. and others paid tributes to the former MLC.

Speaking on the occasion, Sat Sharma remembered Adv. Arora as a lifelong activist. On the occasion, he recalled his association with the former MLC, since the time, the Emergency was imposed in India. He described him as a dedicated and fearless leader who along with others devoted his life

Akhil Bhartiya Dharam Prachar Sewa Samiti

organizes special prayer for India's Victory

to the organization's

growth in the region. "Adv. Ramesh Arora worked dedicatedly, consistently, and aggressively, for the nation and society, throughout his life. His demise is an irreparable loss to the organization. We, as an organization and the society, owe him a lot and remember him with the tearful eyes",

said Sat Sharma. Dr. Nirmal Singh also paid glowing tributes to the late leader, recalling his active participation in various social and political agitations in Jammu. He called Adv. Arora the "epitome of activism" and highlighted his sin-

#### cerity in raising issues of national and public interest with unmatched determination

Ashok Koul said that the BJP family, through this solemn occasion, reaffirms its gratitude for the services and sacrifices of Adv. Ramesh Arora and pledge to carry forward his legacy of selfless service and ideological commitment.

Ch. Vikram Randhawa conducted the Shradhanjali Sabha proceed-

Adv. Purnima Sharma,

#### Dr. Pardeep Mahotra Prof. Kulbhushan Mohtra, Adv. Ishant Mahajan, Adv. Rajesh Gupta, Rinku Choudhary, Prem Gupta, Inderjit, Rekha Mahajan, HS Pammi, Shailja Gupta, Asha Gupta, and others also paid tributes on the occasion.

BJP leaders observed a two-minute silence, praying for the departed soul's Moksha and for strength to be granted to the bereaved family to bear the irreparable

## Vikram Randhawa holds Public Darbar at BJP headquarters



**Top News Report** 

JAMMU, May 7: Choudhary Vikram Randhawa, Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) from Bahu Assembly Constituency, held a Public Darbar at the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Headquarters in Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.

The Public Darbar witnessed a strong turnout from various areas of the constituency, with citizens and deputations presenting a range of grievances related to civic, infrastructural, and individual matters.

Among the reported issues, a deputation from sector 7 extension Trikuta Nagar requested for clearance of drain, extension of side drain and installation of new street lights. Deputation from Hajipura Last Morh requested for shifting of Municipality Trolley. A person from Nanak Nagar requested for registration of Plot. An individual from Sanjay Nagar requested for clearance of DPC. Deputation from Gandhi Nagar requested for construction of Lane/ Drain in Last Morh. Deputation for Channi complained about shortage of water supply. Deputations from Dilli and Nai Basti request-

ed for installation of new

and repair or old street

MLA Randhawa gave a patient hearing to all the attendees and immediately took up most of the issues with the concerned department officials. For the remaining matters, he issued written communications to ensure timely follow-up. He assured the public that necessarv actions would be taken without delay.

Speaking on the occasion, Randhawa emphasized that the Public Darbar reflects the BJP's commitment to people-centric governance. "The Modi Government has maintained a strong connection with the grassroots. The BJP has always been the voice of the people, and this Darbar is a clear example of our dedication to resolving issues and bringing meaningful change," he said.

He further underscored the commitment of BJP in addressing the region's challenges, and reaffirmed the party's commitment to ensuring every citizen's voice is heard.

Er. TK Sharma, coconvenor Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, J&K BJP coordinated the darbar proceedings. BJP District President Jammu South Naresh Singh Jasrotia was also present on the occa-

## Arya Pratinidhi Sabha supports **Armed Forces successful strike** strikes on terrorist camps in Pakistan based elements.

#### **Top News Report**

JAMMU, May 7: The Arva Pratinidhi Sabha Jammu and Kashmir, under the leadership of Narendra Trehan, firmly stands in support of the Government of India and the Armed Forces for the successful and strategic strikes conducted today on terrorist camps operating from across the border

in Pakistan. These operations were a resolute and necessary response to the recent Pahalgam attack, orchestrated with the support of PakistanThe Sabha believes

that India's action was both measured and justified, aimed solely at neutralizing the infrastructure of terror that poses a grave threat to national security and civilian life.

Such targeted operations reflect the maturity and strength of our defence forces, who continue to uphold the dignity and sovereignty of the nation with unparalleled professionalism and courage.

We commend the Government of India for taking a firm yet responsible approach in addressing these provocations. It is a clear demonstration of the nation's zero-tolerance stance on terrorism and its commitment to ensuring peace and stability within its borders.

The Arya Pratinidhi Sabha Jammu and Kashmir extended its unwavering solidarity to the brave men and women of our armed forces. Their dedication inspires confidence across the country and reinforces our collective resolve to stand united in the face of any threat.

## Amity meet organised for people at Peda Gali



## **Top News Report**

RAJOURI, May 7: In a proactive effort to strengthen bonds with the local population and provide essential support, Peda Army Camp organized a community interaction and assistance program in the upper reaches, where residents have migrated to the dhoks with the onset of summer.

This initiative aimed to connect with the people in remote areas and address their immediate needs, particularly in the sphere of healthcare. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from locals and served as a platform to build trust and enhance mutual understanding.

A key highlight of the program was the provision of medical assistance, a much-needed service in these inaccessible regions. Over 30 individuals benefited from basic health checkups, necessary treatments, and the distribution of essential medicines by medical personnel. This outreach effort not only demonstrated the commitment of Indian Army to the welfare of the local communities but also reinforced the importance of security forces as partners in development and well-being. The locals expressed deep gratitude for the timely support and assured continued cooperation.

Such initiatives play a crucial role in fostering goodwill, addressing grassroots concerns, and ensuring a unified approach to community resilience.

## Col Mahan chairs BJP Pahari Zila Meeting in Billawar Calls for unity, vigilance, development focus

#### **Top News Report** BILLAWAR, May 7: Col (Retd.) Mahan

Singh, Chairman DDC Kathua, today chaired a crucial meeting of BJP Pahari Zila (Basohli, Billawar, Bani) at the PWD Rest House, Billawar. The meeting, convened under the leadership of Gopal Krishan, Zila Adhyaksh, witnessed the active participation of Bipan Sharma, BJP Prabhari for Udhampur Parliamentary Constituency, and several senior party functionaries and Karyakartas from across the region.

The agenda of the meeting focused on both organizational strengthening and addressing pressing developmental and security-related concerns of the Billawar and Lohai Malhar areas.

During the interaction, Col Mahan Singh took detailed note of the issues raised by the workers, including immediate issuance of weapon licences to locals in view of the emerging security

situation along the borders; slow progress of work on CHC Billawar project and delay in execution of key road projects, severely impacting connectivity and daily life.

Col Mahan Singh urged party workers to promote team spirit, enhance social networking, and stay connected with the grassroots to further strengthen the BJP's organizational structure in the

"We must stay united, vigilant, and proactive. The party's strength lies in its people, and it is our responsibility to work hand-in-hand with citizens, listen to their concerns, and ensure timely solutions," he said. Expressing pride in the Indian Armed Forces, Col Mahan Singh applauded the precision strike on terrorist camps in PoK and Pakistan under Operation Sindoor, launched in response to the Pahalgam terror attack that claimed 26 innocent lives.

#### **Top News Report**

JAMMU, May 7: A spiritually uplifting prayer ceremony was organized today by Akhil Bhartiya Dharam Prachar Sewa Samiti at Shri Ram Mandir, Channi Himmat, Jammu, seeking divine blessings for India's victory in the ongoing military operation against terrorist outfits in the neighbouring

The event was graced by Sh. Sunil Sharma, National Co-ordinator of the Samiti, along with Swami Mahesh Pandey Ji from Ayodhya. The gathering witnessed overwhelming participation from devotees, especially youth, who joined in with their families. The program began

with the soulful recitation of Vedic mantras and the prayer "Hey Prabhu Anand-data Gyan Humko Dijiye." This was followed by a Samoohik Path of Shriram Stuti and Hanuman Chalisa, which brought the devotees together in collective devotion.

Speakers at the event shed light on Lord Hanuman's unparalleled devotion, valor, and his role as a symbol of selfless service. They stressed that Hanumanji's unwavering faith and dedication in times of adversity continues to inspire and guide soci-

A Satsang session led by Acharya Mahesh Kumar, who traveled from Ayodhya, provided spiritual guidance and deepened the sense of devotion among attendees. The atmosphere was filled with a sense of inner peace and divine presence. Speaking on the occa-

sion, Sunil Sharma stated that the primary resolution of the prayer ceremony was to pray for India's triumph in its fight against terrorism. He emphasized the organization's continuous efforts to spread the teachings of the Bhagavad Gita, which promote love for humanity and God.

Prominent figures who played key roles in organizing and supporting the event included Kewal Krishan Sharma, Bhuvneshwari Sharma, Aayushman Sharma, Om Parkash Sharma, Manmohan Sharma, Sanjay Yadav, Rahul Yadav, Vimbo Devi, Seema Jamwal, Sonia Kumari, Darshan Tagotra, Shalini Devi, Sawitri Sharma, Vimal Kumar, and Srinjan Devi.

The event concluded with prayers for peace, strength, and national unity, resonating with the collective spirit of patriotism and devotion.

## "Fearless in unity. Boundless in strength": Sachin, Shikhar, Harbhajan hail Indian Army for Operation Sindoor

NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): Former Indian cricketers Sachin Tendulkar, Shikhar Dhawan, and Harbhajan Singh lauded the Indian Army for the successful execution of 'Operation Sindoor', which targeted nine anti-Indian terror infrastructures in both Pakistan and the Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK), in retaliation to the Pahalgam terror attack.

Tendulkar took to X and wrote, "Fearless in unity. Boundless in strength. India's shield is her people. There's no room for terrorism in this world. We're One Team! Jai Hind."

Dhawan in his post on X shared a video highlighting the operation's success and captioned it: "Jo kaha tha, woh karke dikhaya. Justice is served. Bharat Mata Ki Jai!"

Dhawan's post resonated with many, reflecting the nation's col-



lective sentiment of pride and unity. His words, "Jo kaha tha, woh karke dikhaya," emphasize the fulfillment of a promise to bring justice. The phrase "Bharat Mata Ki Jai" further underscores his patriotic fervor.

Former India off-spinner Harbhajan Singh also appreciated the Indian Army for Operation Sindoor

"Jai Hind. #OperationSindoor is Bharat's response to the brutal killing of our innocent brothers in Pahalgam," Harb-

hajan Singh wrote on X.

Operation Sindoor, which utilised special precision munitions, led to the destruction of nine terror targets in a coordi-

nated strike.

Indian forces targeted and obliterated four sites in Pakistan, including key locations in Bahawalpur, Muridke, and Sialkot, while five other targets in Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir (PoJK) were also successfully hit.

The Indian Army, Navy, and Air Force jointly carried out the operation, mobilising assets and troops.

The Indian forces selected the locations to target top Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) and Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) leaders involved in sponsoring terrorist activities in India.

This was India's deepest strike inside Pakistan's undisputed territory since 1971. This marks New Delhi's most significant military action within Pakistani territory in over five decades.

## India shouldn't play Pakistan even at ICC events till terrorism ends: Gambhir



NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): India head coach Gautam Gambhir called for a complete halt to cricketing engagements with Pakistan at any forum, including Asia Cup and ICC events, in the aftermath of the Pahalgam terror attack.

At an event, Gambhir said the national team should not be playing the arch-rivals till crossborder terrorism ends.

India have not played a full series against Pakistan since 2007 due to the tense relations between both countries. They only play each other at multiteam events and even that should be discontinued, said Gambhir.

"My personal answer to this is absolutely no. Till all this (cross-border terrorism) doesn't stop there should not be anything between India and

Pakistan," said Gambhir when asked about the future of Indo-Pak cricket in the current environment.

In a terror attack on April 22 in south Kashmir's Pahalgam town, 26 persons, mostly tourists, were gunned down.

Responding to the gruesome incident, India announced several measures against Pakistan, including suspension of the Indus Waters Treaty, shutting down of the only land border crossing at Attari and downgrading of diplomatic ties in view of cross-border links to

"Ultimately this is government's call whether we play them or not. I have said this before also, no cricket match or Bollywood or any other interaction is more important than the life of Indian soldiers and

the attack.

Indian citizens," Gambhir said.

"Matches will keep happening, movies will be made, singers will continue to perform but nothing comes close to losing a loved one in your family."

Asked specifically about India playing Pakistan in the Asia Cup this year or the T20 World Cup, to be co-hosted by India and Sri Lanka next year, Gambhir placed the onus on BCCI and the government.

"This is not up to me, this is for BCCI and more importantly the government to decide whether we should play them or not.

"Whatever decision they make, we should be absolutely fine with it and not politicise it."

In the recent Champions Trophy, India played all their games in Dubai and not host country Pakistan owing to security concerns.

As part of an agreement worked out between BCCI, Pakistan Cricket Board and ICC, all India-Pakistan matches in ICC events will be played in a neutral country till the 2027 cycle.

## IPL to go on normally amid rising India-Pakistan tensions: BCCI source

NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): The Indian Premier League (IPL) 2025 season, currently scheduled to go on till May 25, will continue normally, a Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) source told agency on Wednesday.

This follows the development this morning after the successful execution of Operation Sindoor by the Indian Armed Forces and tensions between India and Pakistan following the Pahalgam terror attack on April 22.

The source told ANI that the current circumstances will not have any effect on the IPL scheduling and matches, and it will go on as scheduled.

In 'Operation Sindoor' India's armed forces utilised special precision munitions to destroy nine terror targets in Pakistan and PoK in a

coordinated strike.

Sources revealed that the Indian forces targeted and obliterated four sites in Pakistan, including key locations in Bahawalpur, Muridke, and Sialkot, while five other targets in Pakistan-occupied Jammu and Kashmir (PoJK) were also successfully hit.

The Indian Army, Navy, and Air Force jointly carried out the operation, mobilising assets and troops.

The strikes on all nine targets were successful, sources further revealed. The Indian forces selected the locations to target top Jaishe-Mohammed (JeM) and Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) leaders involved in sponsoring terrorist activities in India.

This marks New Delhi's most significant military action within Pakistani territory in over five decade

Notably, the cash-rich league has faced several postponements, venue changes due to many circumstances throughout its rich history.

However, it has never been cancelled completely, making it a cricketing festival that entertains India and the entire world irrespective of circumstances.

Firstly in 2009, the league was organised in South Africa for the first-time ever as majority of security resource was busy with the 2009 Lok Sabha Elections back in India.

Then, during the 2014 season, the first part of the competition from April 16 to April 30 was held in UAE due to Lok Sabha elections that year. From May 2 onwards though, the IPL action came back to India.



In 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, IPL faced a postponement as instead of March, it commenced in September 2020. The grave pandemic situation and spread of infection meant that the tournament was shifted to the UAE once again.

During 2021, the tournament started on April 9 in India, held across only four venues, Delhi, Ahmedabad, Mumbai and Chennai.

However, after the

match day on May 2, the remainder of the tournament was postponed yet again and shifted to UAE due to the COVID-19 pandemic situation in India. It was then held in UAE from September-October 2021.

In 2022, the tournament did take place in India, but only across four venues, Mumbai, Pune, Kolkata and Ahmedabad.

It was only from 2023 that IPL once again was taken all over India.

## Operation Sindoor could cast shadow over IPL match in Dharamsala

SHIMLA, May 7 (Agencies): The launch of Operation Sindoor could cast a shadow over the upcoming IPL match scheduled for May 11 in Dharamsala.

While the Punjab Kings (PBKS) team has already arrived in Dharamsala, the Mumbai Indians (MI) are yet to reach the venue for the Sunday match.

Kangra district administration is learnt to have conveyed to MI

"I do not have anything on my

mind...": Bhuvneshwar Kumar on

Management to closely monitor their travel plans, as flights could be impacted.

Consequently, the possibility of the match being rescheduled cannot be ruled out.

In view of the current situation, Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu has cancelled his scheduled visit to Banjar in Kullu district today.

He is presently chairing an emergency meeting with officials from the Home and Police departments to review the situation arising out of the present situation.

Dharamsala, the home ground of PBKS, is set to host two IPL matches this week.

The Delhi Capitals

The Delhi Capitals team has already arrived for their match on May 8. All IPL teams are using Gaggal airport, located about seven kilometre from Dharamsala in Kangra district, for their travel.

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MUMBAI, May 7 (Agencies): Mumbai Indians (MI) captain Hardik Pandya was fined for maintaining a slow over-rate during the Indian Premier League (IPL) clash between his side and Gujarat Titans (GT) at Wankhede Stadium.

The official website of the league issued a media statement announcing the same. It is his team's second offence under the league's Code of Conduct, relating to overrate offences, and he has been fined Rs 24 lakhs.

"Mumbai Indians captain Hardik Pandya has been fined after his team maintained a slow over rate during Match No. 56 of the TATA Indian Premier League (IPL) 2025 against Gujarat Titans at the Wankhede Stadium, Mumbai. As it was his team's second offence of the season under the IPL's Code of Conduct relating to minimum over-rate offences, Pandya was fined INR 24 lakhs. The rest of the members of the Playing XI, including the



Impact Player and the concussion substitute, were each individually fined either INR 6 lakh or 25 per cent of their respective match fees, whichever is lesser," the statement added.

Ashish Nehra, Head

Coach, Gujarat Titans, has been fined 25 per cent of his match fees and has also accumulated one demerit point for breaching the IPL Code of Conduct. He admitted to the Level 1 offence under Article 2.20 - which pertains to the conduct that is contrary to the spirit of the game - and accepted the Match Referee's sanction.

For Level 1 breaches of the Code of Conduct, the Match Referee's decision is final and

inding.

Coming to the match, GT won the toss and opted to bowl first. A 71-run stand between Will Jacks (53 in 35 balls, with five fours and three sixes) and Suryakumar Yadav (35 in 24 balls, with five fours) was the highlight as wickets fell regularly, restricting MI to 155/8 in their 20 overs.

Sai Kishore (2/34) was the pick of the bowlers for GT, while Mohammed Siraj, Prasidh Krishna, Arshad Khan, Rashid Khan and Gerald Coetzee took a wicket each.

The run-chase was a rollercoaster ride for both teams. GT did lose Sai Sudharsan early, but a 72-run stand between skipper Shubman Gill and Jos Buttler (30 in 27 balls, with three fours and a six) marked their comeback in the game. In the 14th over, with GT 107/2, a rain break was taken with GT ahead as per the DLS Method. After the break, Jasprit Bumrah (2/19) and Trent Boult (2/22) brought MI back in the game, collapsing GT to 132/6 in 18 overs at the start of another rain

three fours and a six)

was behind.
When the game finally resumed, the revised target was 147 runs with one more over left. Rahul Tewatia (11\*) and Gerald Coetzee (12) single-handedly finished the job for GT, earning them a win by three wickets on a lastball thriller.

break. This time, GT

GT is at the top with eight wins, three losses and 16 points, while MI sits at fourth with seven wins and five losses, giving them 14 points. Their six-match win streak is finally broken.

Gill was given the 'Player of the Match' award.

# Team India return tha "A aim of the in a son it d

BENGALURU, May 7 (Agencies): Indian pace veteran Bhuvneshwar Kumar, currently playing for Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) in the ongoing Indian Premier League (IPL) opened up on donning national colours once again, saying that he has not been making any goals for himself over last few years and whatever comes his way, he will accept it.

Bhuvneshwar was speaking in a video posted on RCB's official X handle. The 'Swing King', as he is known by his fans, last played for India in a T20I against New Zealand in November 2022. Since then, younger pacers like Arshdeep Singh, Umran

Malik, Mayank Yadav etc have been given chances to play alongside stars like Jasprit Bumrah, Mohammed Siraj etc.

In his Indian career, since his debut in 2012, he has taken 294 wickets in 229 matches at an average of 29.50, with best figures of 6/82.

Speaking in the video,

Bhuvneshwar said, "The way I have approached myself in the last few years, personally, I will say that I never make any goals. There is no aim. I just keep going match by match, tour by tour or whatever. I think that helps me a lot. To stay in that moment, to stay in the present. And to give my best in the trophy or tournament

that is going on."

"And as much as I

aim to take this number of wickets or score these number of runs in a season or achieve something, I think if it does not happen, it would lead to disappointment. If someone asks me what do I have to do to get that cap back, to come in the Indian team? I think I have to do what I have been doing till now. I do not need anything special for that. I just need to keep doing those small things that I have done over the years, and I have been doing that. But I do not have anything in my mind, whether I want to go back or not. Whatever comes my way, I will

accept it," he added. In the ongoing season, Bhuvneshwar has taken 12 wickets for RCB in 10 matches at an average of 28.25, with best figures of 3/33. His economy rate is 8.92.

Speaking about suffering big injuries throughout his career, the pacer said that while they are a part of life, it is very

mentally tough since a player always wants to be out there, playing and performing well for his country.

Recalling missing out on the 2015 ICC Cricket World Cup due to injury after just one game, he said, "When you get injured on such a big stage, you understand that the injury is a part of the game, but sometimes it is very difficult to explain to yourself 'why' at such a time. So it was tough, of course."

He also recalled missing out on two to three games in the 2019 World Cup in the UK and said that throughout his career, across all formats of the game, he has tried to stay content with whatever he has been able to do for his country.

"And all I can say is, no regrets. That is all I can say," he concluded.

RCB is in second place with eight wins and three losses, giving them 16 points. They will play Lucknow Super Giants (LSG) at Ekana Stadium in Lucknow on Friday.

## 'Abhi Picture Baki Hai...': Ex-Army Chief Manoj Naravane's BIG Hint After 'Operation Sindoor'

JAMMU / NEW DELHI, May 7 (Agencies): While India has successfully avenged the Pahalgam attack by carrying out airstrikes last night on multiple terrorist camps in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir, eliminating over 100 terrorists, former Indian Army Chief Manoi Naravane hinted that the picture is not over yet.

He shared a post on the social media platform 'X' (formerly known as Twitter), said, "Abhi picture baki hai...". Netizens are seeing this as a hint for the more planned actions of India against terrorists and a possible move to recapture Pakistanoccupied Kashmir. Earlier, in



an official statement, the Ministry of Defence said, "The Indian Armed Forces launched 'OPER-

ATION SINDOOR', hitting terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Jammu

and Kashmir from where terrorist attacks against India have been planned and directed." "Altogether, nine (9) sites have been targeted."

It further said, "Our actions have been focused, measured and non-escalatory in nature. No Pakistani military facilities have been targeted. India has demonstrated considerable restraint in the selection of targets and method of execution."

Reports also suggest that 14 members of Maulana Masood Azhar's family were killed in the strikes. Masood Azhar, chief of Jaish-e-Mohammed, masterminded several terrorist attacks in India.

## Space is not merely a destination but a declaration of curiosity, courage, collective progress: PM

(Agencies): Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi addressed the Global Conference on Space Exploration (GLEX) 2025 via video conferencing on Wednes-

Welcoming the distinguished delegates, scientists, and astronauts from across the globe, he highlighted India's remarkable space journey at the GLEX 2025, stating that, "space is not merely a destination but a declaration of curiosity, courage, and collective progress"

He emphasized that India's space achievements reflect this spirit, from launching a small rocket in 1963 to becoming the first nation to land near the Moon's South Pole.

"Indian rockets carry more than payloads—they carry the dreams of 1.4 billion Indians". he remarked, stating that India's space advancements are significant scientific milestones and proof that the human spirit can defy gravity. He recalled India's historic achievement of reaching Mars on its first attempt in

He highlighted that Chandrayaan-1 helped discover water on the Moon, Chandrayaan-2 provided the highest-resolution images of the lunar surface, and Chandrayaan-3 furthered

**Top News Report** 

SRINAGAR, May 7: In

a strong display of soli-

darity, prominent Kash-

miri Pandit (KP) lead-

ers of the Democratic

Progressive Azad Party

(DPAP) have extended

heartfelt congratulations

to the Indian Armed

Forces and the national

leadership for the suc-

cessful execution of a

recent anti-terror opera-



understanding of the Moon's South Pole.

"India developed cryogenic engines in record time, launched 100 satellites in a single mission, and successfully deployed over 400 satellites for 34 nations using Indian launch vehicles", he pointed out, underlining India's latest accomplishment docking two satellites in space this year—calling it a major step forward in space exploration.

Modi reaffirmed that India's space journey is not about competing with others but about reaching greater heights

together. He emphasized the collective goal of exploring space for the benefit of humanity. He highlighted India's commitment to regional cooperation, recalling

In a joint statement

issued by Sanjay

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dita, Raj Kumar Ticku,

Naveen Gosaien, Viiav

Karihalu, Charanjeet

Singh, Vinkle Kitroo,

and others, the leaders

lauded the Indian Army,

Navv. and Air Force for

their precision, profes-

sionalism, and bravery.

They also expressed

deep gratitude to the

Prime Minister, Defence

the successful launch of a satellite for South Asian nations. He announced that the G20 Satellite Mission, introduced during India's Presidency, would be a significant contribution to the Global South.

He remarked that India continues to advance with renewed confidence, constantly pushing the boundaries of scientific

"India's first human spaceflight mission, 'Gaganyaan,' reflects the nation's growing aspirations in space technology", he pointed out.

Modi revealed that, in the coming weeks, an Indian astronaut would travel to space as part of a joint ISRO-NASA mission to the International Space Station. He further outlined

ing the nation's integ-

rity and peace. They

emphasized that such

bold actions serve as a

strong message to those

nurturing terrorism and

In a powerful appeal,

the leaders urged Mus-

lim-majority nations to

reconsider their diplo-

matic and ideological

support to Pakistan until

it openly renounces the

use of its territory to

violence

India's long-term vision, stating that by 2035, the Bharatiya Antariksha Station would facilitate groundbreaking research and international collaboration.

He declared that by 2040, an Indian astronaut would leave footprints on the Moon and added that Mars and Venus remain key targets in India's future space ambitions.

Emphasizing that for India, space is not just about exploration but also empowerment, the Prime Minister highlighted how space technology enhances governance, improves livelihoods, and inspires genera-

He noted the vital role of satellites in ensuring the welfare of every Indian, citing their contributions to fishermen alerts, the GatiShakti platform, railway safety, and weather forecasting. He underscored India's commitment to fostering innovation by opening its space sector to startups, entrepreneurs, and young minds.

He pointed out that India now has over 250 space startups. contributing to advancements in satellite technology, propulsion systems, imaging, and other pioneering fields. "Many of India's space missions are being led by women scientists", he proudly acknowledged.

They stressed that true

Islamic teachings strictly

prohibit violence against

mankind and called on

global Muslim communi-

ties to stand for peace

The statement con-

cluded with a call to the

entire Indian nation to

stand united in pride and

prayer for the continued

success of India's armed

forces in their mission to

eliminate threats against

and humanity.

#### liberation of POK, Gilgit-Baltistan **Top News Report** JAMMU, May 7: President of Mission Statehood, Sunil Dimple, led a massive rally today

Dimple leads rally in support of

**Operation Sindoor, calls for** 

on Janipur-High Court Road in Jammu, with a large gathering of supporters expressing their solidarity with the Indian

Army, Air Force, Navy, and the Government of India for the successful execution of Operation Sindoor.

Addressing the enthusiastic crowd, Dimple welcomed Prime Minister Narendra Modi's strategic decision to launch the operation, aimed at eliminating terrorist launch pads and training camps of Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) across the border in Pakistan. He hailed it as a historic and bold move. Raising patriotic slogans such as "Bhartiya Sena Zindabad" and "Liberate POK, Gilgit, Baltistan," Dimple declared that the people of Jammu & Kashmir and the entire Indian nation are proud of their security forces. He said the morale of both the armed forces and citizens remains high and urged the Prime Minister to resolve the Jammu & Kashmir issue perma-

Dimple made a strong appeal to PM Modi,



Home Minister Amit Shah, and Defence Minister Rajnath Singh to continue military operations until POK, Gilgit, and Baltistan are fully integrated into India. He further urged action until Pakistan's top terror masterminds, including Hafiz Saeed and Masood Azhar, are

eliminated. He called on the central government to provide urgent security measures for residents along the Line of Control (LOC) and relocate them to safe areas. He also appealed to Defence Minister Rajnath Singh to visit the border regions personally and assess the ground situation.

In a dramatic statement, Dimple claimed that family members of top terrorist leaders

Operation Sindoor just a trailer,

recent air strikes and asserted that Pakistan may conceal the deaths of Hafiz Saeed and Azhar Masood. He even announced a reward of □50 lakhs for anyone

who brings the heads of Hafiz Saeed, Azhar Masood, and ISI Chief Muneer Khan.

Dimple also urged the Prime Minister to convene an emergency session of Parliament to establish a unified national position on liberating POK and Gilgit-Baltistan, which he reaffirmed as integral parts of India.

Among those present at the rally were Manjeet Anand, Sachin Soi, Rupesh Bhat, Arjun Kumar, Anmol, Sachin Kumar, Ajay Mehta, Vikram Mawa, and many others.

## target is POK: Shiv Sena **Top News Report**

JAMMU, May 7: Shiv Sena (UBT) Jammu-Kashmir unit called Operation Sindoor the most successful and just a trailer against terrorism and said that POK is yet to be taken.

Addressing journalists at the party's state cenral office today, state chief Manish Sahni said that Pakistan started the war by killing 28 innocent people in Pahalgam on April 22.

After the diplomatic and economic attacks of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, our soldiers have given a befitting reply to Pakistan with Operation



Sindoor.

Sahni said that this was just a trailer, the real picture is yet to come. Our target is to free POK from the illegal occupation of Pakistan and get entire Jammu-

In a warning tone, Sahni warned Pakistan to stop its nefarious and cowardly activities and said that the next target of Indian soldiers will be Pakistan Army and ISI.

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Lauds Indian Forces for Operation 'Sindoor'

**Top News Report** 

JAMMU, May 7: Senior BJP leader and former Deputy Chief Minister Kavinder Gupta has hailed the success of Operation Sindoor, calling it a powerful message to Pakistan and a testimony to India's firm stance against terrorism. He said that this precise and effective operation once again highlights India's zero-tolerance policy when it comes to threats against national security.

Speaking to media persons here, the BJP stalwart said, "On 22nd April, terrorists targeted 26 innocent tourists in Baisaran Valley at Pahalgam and brazenly said, 'Modi ko bol dena.' Today, Modi ji ne bata diya. This is proof of strong governance and a clear warning to those who dare to challenge India's sovereignty."



Kavinder Gupta commended the Indian Armed Forces for their unmatched courage and professionalism in carrying out Operation Sindoor.

"The Indian Army and Air Force deserve our wholehearted appreciation. Their bravery and precision have once again made the country proud and reassured every Indian that the nation is in safe hands," he stated

He also expressed deep grief over the killing of 10 people along the Line of Control (LoC) in Poonch due to unprovoked firing by Pakistan forces. Calling it a cowardly and inhumane act, he said such aggression against

innocent civilians reflects the frustration of Pakistan and further exposes its rogue mindset on the global stage.

Kavinder asked Pakistan to abandon the path of terrorism. "Pakistan should learn from this strike and stop sending terrorists to Indian soil. India is no longer the same—under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, every attempt to destabilize our peace will be met with a strong and fitting reply," he said

The former deputy Chief Minister reiterated the BJP's unwavering support for the armed forces and the central government, emphasizing that national security remains a top priority. "We stand firmly with our forces and the leadership that has empowered them to act without hesitation against terror," he added.

## **Mahant Rajesh Bittu visits** Suchetgarh Border, praises govt efforts, Operation Sindoor

**Top News Report** 

JAMMU, May 7: In a significant visit, Mahant Rajesh Bittu, the Sangathan Mantri of Jammu Kashmir Sant Samaj Nayas, along with local Panchs, Sarpanchs, and Lambardars, toured the Suchetgarh Border area in Jammu.

This tour was organized by Sarpanch Surjeet Singh.

delegation The inspected newly constructed bunkers built for the safety and convenience of the border residents

They also visited various temples and religious sites in the area, reviewing the arrangements made by the government. Mahant Rajesh Bittu praised the government's efforts, calling the infrastructure and support provided at



the border and religious places commendable.

During the visit, the Sant Samaj Nayas extended heartfelt gratitude to the government, particularly for the successful execution of Operation Sindoor, in which Indian forces destroyed multiple terrorist bases across the

Pakistan border. Addressing the media, Mahant Rajesh Bittu specifically thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, Home

Minister Amit Shah, and Dr. Jitendra Singh from the PMO for their leadership and commitment to national security.

Notable attendees during the visit included Sarpanch Surjeet Singh, Panch Choor Singh, Naib Sarpanch Ashok Chaudhary, Surender Kumar, Jyoti Sharma, Chandan Mathur Singh, and Mahendra Chaudhary.

The event highlighted unity and support for the armed forces and the nation.