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## News Digest

### Two OGWs Held With Rs 6L Cash: Police

Srinagar- State forces on Tuesday arrested two overground workers (OGWs) of militants from Awantipora area of Pulwama district of south Kashmir and seized Rs 6 lakh from their possession meant for funding the Al-Badr militant outfit, police said. "Acting on a specific information, police and security forces today morning arrested two militant associates at Ladhoo Crossing when the duo was travelling on a scooter from Shopian district to Khrew area in Pulwama," a police official said. He said the arrested persons have been identified as Rayees: ● P-02

### Infiltration Bid Foiled In Gurez Sector: Army

Srinagar: The army on Tuesday claimed to have foiled an infiltration bid along the Line of Control (LoC) in Gurez sector of Bandipora district in Jammu and Kashmir and recovered a cache of arms and ammunition. "Acting on specific @JmuKmrPolice inputs, suspicious movement was detected by alert troops along LoC on 14 September. Contact was established & the suspected militants were fired upon by Security forces. Aggressive & timely action by SF foiled an infiltration bid," Srinagar-based Chinara Corps of the army said in a tweet. The army said a cache of ● P-02

### Stray Dogs Injure Four In Sopore

Srinagar: Four persons, including a woman and her two daughters were attacked and injured by stray dogs in Sopore area of Baramulla district, reports said Tuesday. A pack of stray dogs attacked and injured four people, including a woman and her two daughters in Boiteengoo village of Sopore, news agency KNO reported. All the injured were shifted to Sopore Hospital for treatment. They were identified the injured as Poshabegum, wife of Fayaz Ahmad and her two daughters Arfatand Khushboo, while the fourth injured was identified Haseena wife of Mushtaq Ahmad.

### SDA Seals Two-Storey Building At Nowgam

Srinagar: The officials of Srinagar Development Authority (SDA) on Tuesday sealed a two storied building constructed in violation of building rules Nowgam area of the city outskirts. According to an official spokesperson, the SDA's Enforcement Wing assisted by police today sealed a two storied building built in violation of building rules in Pohroo Chowk, Nowgam Bypass here. Vice Chairman, SDA Dr. Bashir Ahmad Lone said that the ● P-02

### COVID Toll Rises To 41 In Ladakh

Leh: The novel coronavirus toll in Ladakh rose to 41 on Tuesday with another death, while the number of cases climbed to 3,419 with 74 new infections, officials said. There are 903 active cases of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), out of which 486 are in Leh and 417 in Kargil. As many as 2,475 patients have recovered, the officials said. A patient succumbed to the disease in Kargil on Monday, taking the toll in the district to 24, while 17 out of the total 41 deaths were in Leh, according to the officials. Out of the 74 new cases, 56 were in Leh and 18 in Kargil, taking the total to 3,419, the officials added.

## LG Launches Career Education Platform For Students



Press Trust Of India

**SRINAGAR:** Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Tuesday e-inaugurated an online process-based, standardised and scalable career education platform for students here.

The initiative is a step towards transforming the way in which our youth look at building their future in the world of possibilities, an of-

ficial spokesman. "The online, process-based, standardised and scalable, globally certified, career education platform, under career education initiative of J-K government in partnership with Transform Foundation aims to harness the energy, enthusiasm, and exuberant dreams of the youth of J&K," the spokesman said.

The overall intent is to enable curiosity, creative thinking, ►►PAGE 02

### LADAKH FACE-OFF

## India Facing A Challenge In Ladakh: Rajnath Singh

Says Armed Forces Ready To Deal With All Contingencies



Press Trust Of India

**NEW DELHI:** Firmly articulating the country's position on the tense border row with China in eastern Ladakh, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Tuesday said Beijing has been very clearly conveyed that any attempt to "unilaterally" change the status quo along the Line of Actual Control is not at all acceptable, and that India's armed forces are ready to deal with "all contingencies" in the high-altitude region.

### Army Prepares For Long Winter In Ladakh

From heating appliances and climate appropriate clothing to rations, fuel and tents that protect from the biting cold, all necessary supplies have reached the forward areas for the Army to gear up for the long, freezing winter in Ladakh region, officials asserted amid ● P-02

Making a statement in Lok Sabha, Singh said he would not hesitate to share that India is facing a "challenge" in Ladakh but at the same time added that the House should have "full confidence" that the armed forces will always rise to the challenge and make the country proud. "I will not hesitate to share with this august House that we are facing a challenge in Ladakh and I urge the House to pass a resolution in support ►►PAGE 02

## Soldier Killed, Major Among 2 Injured In Pak Firing

Observer Monitoring Desk

**SRINAGAR:** An army man on Tuesday was killed while two others, including a Major injured as India and Pakistan troops on Tuesday traded heavy gunfire along the Line of Control (LoC) in Rajouri district of Jammu and Kashmir.

Major Kambley, Havaldar Mahender and Rifleman A Thomas of army's 17 Madras were injured when Pakistani troops breached ceasefire agreement and opened fire upon Indian posts along the LoC in Mala area of Sunderbani Sector, official sources said.

The army officer and the Havaldar were shifted to Military Hospital Akhnoor for advanced treatment. However, Rifleman Thomas, who was admitted locally, succumbed to his injuries.

### BSF Shoots Dead 'Intruder' In Uri

The Border Security Force (BSF) personnel on Tuesday shot dead an alleged intruder in Uri area of north Kashmir's Baramulla district. Around 2:15 pm, the personnel of BSF 70 battalion observed an individual ● P-02

Official sources said that Indian army retaliated to Pakistan's unprovoked ceasefire violation in a "befitting manner"

Pertinently, a JCO was killed in a ceasefire violation by the Pakistan Army along the LoC in Keri sector of the district on September 2. (With GNS inputs)

## Art-370 Revocation Fully Integrated JK, Ladakh With Country: Govt

Press Trust Of India

**NEW DELHI:** The Union Territories of Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh have been fully integrated into the mainstream of the nation after the abrogation of Article 370, the government told Lok Sabha Tuesday.

Union Minister of State for Home G Kishan Reddy also said the benefits of all central laws that were being enjoyed by other citizens of the country are now available to the people of Jammu and Kashmir too.

After the constitutional changes and reorganisation of the erst-

### '138 Militants Killed In Last 6 Months'

As many as 138 militants were killed by security forces between March and August this year, the Lok Sabha was informed on Tuesday. Union Minister of State for Home G Kishan Reddy said Jammu and Kashmir has been ● P-02

### '223 People Under Detention In J&K'

The government on Tuesday said 223 people are currently under detention in Jammu and Kashmir and no one is under house arrest. Union Minister of State for Home G Kishan Reddy said the government of Jammu and Kashmir ● P-02

while state of J&K, the two union territories have been fully integrated into the mainstream of the nation, he said in ►►PAGE 02

### J&K Govt Issues

### 1.7 Million Domicile Certificates

**JAMMU:** The Jammu and Kashmir government said on Tuesday that it has issued over 16.79 lakh domicile certificates to the people across twenty districts of the Union Territory.

In a statement issued here, an official spokesperson said that till Tuesday, out of total 2113879 lakh applications for domicile certificates, 1679520 people across the Union Territory have been issued the same till yesterday. In Kashmir division, he said 4.16 lakh have been issued while in Jammu, 12.44 lakh people have received domicile certificates.

"Of the total Domicile certificates issued in the UT, over 14.32 lakh were issued to the PRC holders (clause 1(a) and Clause 1(b)), 1.38 lakh under clause 2(a) and Clause 2(b) (to state subject applicants and non-state subject applicants and their children), including 1.01 lakh to state subjects and 45794 to non-state subject; 34045 to the students under (clause3) including 24455 state subjects and 9590 non-state subjects; and 18612 to Kashmiri Migrants/ children ( Clause 4)," the official spokesperson said.

He said that the certificates issued under clause 2 include 28468 in Kashmir division and 1.09 lakh in Jammu division.

"The domicile ►►PAGE 02

## 19 More Coronavirus Deaths In J&K, Toll 916

Observer Monitoring Desk

**SRINAGAR:** At least nineteen people succumbed to coronavirus in Jammu and Kashmir on Tuesday, taking the number of fatalities due to the virus in Union Territory to 916.

While Jammu division reported 14 more fatalities due to the deadly infection, five more deaths due to Covid-19 were reported from Kashmir Valley, officials said Tuesday. Among the victims of the deadly disease in Valley, they said included a 60-year-old woman from Ganderbal, a 70-year-old woman from Bohri Kadal, a 55-year-

### New 1329 Cases Include 47 Security Men

Jammu and Kashmir reported on Tuesday 1329 new cases of coronavirus, including 47 security personnel and 69 travelers, taking the total number ● P-02

old from Hawal, a 65-year-old from HMT Srinagar and a 52-year-old woman from Tangdar Kupwara.

Officials said that two among the 14 persons from Jammu division ►►PAGE 02

**THE DOMICILE CERTIFICATES** issued to the PRC holders include over 10.75 lakh in Jammu division and around 3.57 lakh in Kashmir division," the official spokesperson said.

### 32 Test Positive In Uri After Attending Funeral

At least thirty-two people from a village in the border town of Uri tested positive for coronavirus on Tuesday after attending funeral of a Covid-19 deceased woman. According to the doctors, 32 people, including 21 females, 11 males and six children ● P-02

## Militants Escape Army Dragnet In Pulwama After Injuring 2 Soldiers

Observer Monitoring Desk

**SRINAGAR:** Unidentified militants on Tuesday managed to give slip to the state after injuring two soldiers in a brief encounter in south Kashmir's Pulwama district.

A senior police officer said that a search operation was launched by joint team of forces including 50 RR, CRPF and Pulwama Police on specific inputs about the presence of militants in Marwal area of the district.

He said that the search operation turned into an encounter after the militants opened fire upon the joint team of state forces. The search team, he said retaliated the fire triggering an encounter in which two



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army soldiers were injured. However, the official said that militants managed to flee from the spot.

"Search operation which continued for many hours has been called off," the senior police officer said.

## Photojournalists Thrashed By Forces Near Pampore

KEG, KPC Condemn Use Of Force Against Scribes

Observer Monitoring Desk

**SRINAGAR:** A photojournalist was injured on Tuesday after he was allegedly beaten up by security forces near the site of an encounter in Pulwama district of Jammu and Kashmir.

Kamran Yousuf claimed to have sustained leg injuries when he was thrashed by security forces while he was discharging his professional duties at Marwal in Pulwama where an encounter with militants was on.

While police did not deny the allegations levelled by the photojournalist, it said the mediapersons were stopped at they were moving close to the cordoned area.

"Today an exchange of fire took place at village Marwal between militants and SFs. Cordon was placed to prevent people from venturing inside as that would have endangered their security. However some media persons tried to move close who were duly stopped," police said in a tweet.

Meanwhile, Kashmir Editors' Guild (KEG) and Kashmir Press Club (KPC) on Tuesday condemned the use of force against the scribes who were covering the gun battle at Marwal Pampore.

At least one of them, Kamran Yousuf, was injured in the attack by the cops. Kamran works for ►►PAGE 02

## Engineer Held For Siphoning Off Rs 2.67 Cr

**SRINAGAR:** The Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) on Tuesday arrested a Junior Engineer of Roads and buildings department for allegedly siphoning off an amount of over Rs 2.67 crore paid as penalty by cellular companies for damaging roads.

In a handout issued here, aAn ACB spokesperson said the Junior Engineer, Hakeem Imtiyaz, posted in R&B Shopian was arrested for misappropriation of funds deposited by cellular company in lieu of damages caused to roads for laying of telephone cables.

"On the basis of a verification, ACB registered a case FIR No. 06/2020 (U/s 5(1) (c), 5 (d) (2) PC Act Svt. 2006 & 420, 468, 471 RPC r/w section 120-B RP) in Police Station ACB Anantnag. The instant case was registered by ACB during the verification on the allegations of ● P-02

## Man Held For Posing As Police Officer

**JAMMU:** A man has been arrested on Tuesday for allegedly impersonating as a police sub-inspector in Doda district of Jammu and Kashmir, police said.

Neeraj Kumar, a resident of Arnora village, was arrested after he was found posing himself as a newly-posted sub-inspector to the public, a police official said.

He said Kumar was seen wearing a uniform in a public place.

He was booked under relevant sections of law and further investigation is on," the official said.

## CBI Files Case Against Trust Run By Ex-Minister Lal Singh's Wife

Press Trust Of India

**JAMMU:** The CBI has registered a case against a Kathua-based educational trust, run by former Jammu and Kashmir minister Lal Singh's wife, and some government officials to probe encroachment on a huge tract of government land.

When contacted, Singh told PTI, "The CBI is doing its work."

The CBI said in a statement, Searches were conducted today at 10 locations including Jammu and Kathua at the premises of said educational trust/its Chairperson and residential premises of other accused which led to recovery of documents related to movable/immovable property etc.

The case has been registered against RB Educational Trust through its chair-

person and Singh's wife Kanta Andotra, former deputy commissioner of Kathua Ajay Singh Jamwal and former Tehsildar of Marheem Avatar Singh.

Besides, the then Naib Tehsildar Chann Rorian (Marheem Tehsil) Des Raj, the then Giridawar Ram Pal, the then Patwari Sudesh Kumar and other unknown persons have also been booked, the statement said.

The Central Bureau of Investigation had in June registered a Preliminary Enquiry (PE) on the allegations of encroachment on a huge tract of public/government/forest land in Kathua by certain persons in violation of J&K Agrarian Reforms Act in connivance with revenue and forest officials, the statement said.

It was further alleged that the accused were involved in the ►►PAGE 02

## Sajjad Haider Elected KEG President, Masood Hussain Secretary General

Observer News Service

**SRINAGAR:** Kashmir Editors Guild (KEG) Monday elected its new body for a 2-year mandate. The media body elected Sajjad Haider as its President, Masood Hussain as Secretary-General, Shafat Kira and Manzoor Anjum as its Vice Presidents and Haji Mohammad Hayat as its new Treasurer.

The elections were held after a gap of more than two years as its former body had completed its term in office. The elections were held after due nominations were filed with all its members participating in the election exercise.



The voting was held after the completion of nominations for which papers were submitted in advance. The members who participated in Tuesday polling include Fayaz Ahmad Kaloo (Greater Kashmir), Bashir Manzar (Kashmir

Images), Bashir Ahmad Bashir (Srinagar Times), Sajjad Haider (Kashmir Observer), Haji Hayat (Kashmir Reader), Tahir Mohiuddin (Chattan), Manzoor Anjum (Uqab), Jeelani Qadri (Daily Afaag), Haroon Rashid (Nida-je-Mashriq), ►►PAGE 02