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WREATH LAYING CEREMONIES OF 3 POLICEMEN HELD IN SRINAGAR

Two wreath laying ceremonies were held at District Police Lines Srinagar on Friday to pay homage to the two policemen who were killed in various incidents....

P7 THINK

FAT PHOBIA AND DIET CULTURE

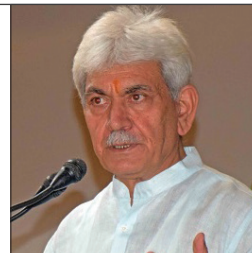
The pandemic and the subsequent lockdown that was imposed altered our lives in several ways. As the covid cases surged, stringent lockdowns were imposed across the world...



P5 NEWS

LG LAUNCHES 7 ONLINE SERVICES FOR STUDENTS AT POLYTECHNICS/ITIS ACROSS J&K

Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha today attended the closing ceremony of 32nd National Road Safety....



Widom Quote!

Do what is right, not what is easy nor what is popular.

— Roy T. Bennett

NEWS DIGEST

PAGD Wins Top DDC Post In Rajouri

JAMMU: The People's Alliance for Gupkar Declaration (PAGD) on Friday won the post of District Development Council (DDC) chairperson in Rajouri district of Jammu and Kashmir, officials said. Rajouri, which is reserved for Scheduled Tribes, went to the polls in the final phase that marked the conclusion of the election process to DDC posts in all the 20. [More On P10](#)

81 New Covid Cases In J&K

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir on Friday recorded 81 fresh COVID-19 cases that pushed the infection count to 1,25,715, even as no new death due to the virus was reported in the Union Territory, officials said. Twenty-two of the fresh cases were from the Jammu division and 59 from the Kashmir division, they said. The officials said Srinagar district recorded a maximum. [More On P10](#)

Two Poachers Held In Ganderbal: Police

SRINAGAR: Police on Friday claimed to have arrested two poachers from central Kashmir's Ganderbal district. Javid Ahmad Malla and Mushtaq Ahmad Malla, both residents of Fethapora Ganderbal were arrested by police for misusing their licensed weapons for hunting migratory birds, a police spokesperson said Friday. The duo, he said, have caused huge loss to the wetlands. [More On P10](#)

Ex-Militant Among 2 Arrested

SRINAGAR: Two people, including a former militant on Friday were arrested with grenades in north Kashmir's Baniptara district. Abid Hasan Waza, a former militant and Shabir Ahmed Mir both residents of Baniptara were apprehended by a joint team of police, army and CRPF at a checkpoint established near Papchan on the basis of specific information, a local news agency KNT. [More On P10](#)

IT Dept Conducts Raid At Zainakote

SRINAGAR: Income Tax department on Friday raided a residential house in Zainakote HMT area of Srinagar district. Sources said that sleuths of the Income Tax department raided the house of Noor Mohammad Wagay, Son of Mohammad Ismail Wagay, resident of Zainakote HMT Srinagar, reported news agency KDC. Noor Mohammad. [More On P10](#)

HANDWARA PHE SCAM

HC Directs Completion Of Probe In 3 Months, Action Against Officials

Agencies

SRINAGAR: Jammu and Kashmir High Court on Friday directed Senior Superintendent of Police, Crime Branch Kashmir, to ensure within three months completion of investigation into a case involving fraudulent withdrawal of Rs. 20,34,634 against non-existent works by PHE officials, leading to the denial of potable water supply to hundreds of people in Handwara area of North Kashmir's Kupwara district in 2014.

Disposing of a Public Interest Litigation, a bench of Justices Ali Mohammad Magrey and Vinod



File Photo

Chatterji Kou directed the SSP to file challan before the competent court of law within the period. "On consideration of the

matter and in terms of order passed on 15th of December 2014, the Court had sought status report from. [More On P10](#)

'Ensure Drug De-addiction Centres Are Established'

Jammu and Kashmir High Court on Friday asked government to ensure establishment of drug de-addiction and rehabilitation Centres in Jammu and Kashmir. "The instant petitions (PIL) are filed by the petitioner, who is now elevated to the Bench (Justice Javed Iqbal). The subject of these petitions has reference to the policy of the Government to delineate on various methods to curb the menace of drug de-addiction which has been looming large in Jammu. [More On P10](#)

2 Cops Shot Dead By Militants On Airport Road

Lashkar Militants Involved In the Attack, Both Identified: IGP



Security men detaining a youth after Friday's militant attack in Baghat, Barzulla that left two cops dead. KO Photo, Abid Bhat

SRINAGAR: Two policemen were shot dead by a militant in an audacious broad-day light attack in Barzulla area of this capital city on Friday, barely two days after a prominent eatery owner's son was shot at and injured in high security zone Sonwar here.

Around 12:30 pm, an unidentified militant appeared in Baghat on the high security Airport road, took out assault rifle hidden under his cloak (pheran) and fired indiscriminately towards policemen who were at a tea stall, officials told. [More On P10](#)

3 Militants, Cop Killed In Twin Encounters

Observer News Service

SRINAGAR: Three local militants and a special police officer (SPO) were killed in two separate nocturnal encounters in twin districts of Shopian and Budgam in the Kashmir Valley, officials said Friday.

On the basis of specific input suggesting presence of militants, police, army's 44

RR and CRPF personnel from 178 battalion launched a cordon and search operation on Thursday night in Badigam area of Shopian district, a police spokesperson said Friday. He said that the militants were given repeated opportunities to lay down their arms and surrender. "Instead the hiding militants fired. [More On P10](#)

IGP Warns Mainstream Leaders Against 'Instigating' People

Police have devised strategy regarding the upcoming summer, Inspector general of Police Kashmir Zone Vijay Kumar said on Friday. Addressing reporters here, the top police officer of. [More On P10](#)

India Set An Example In 2019: HM

Press Trust Of India

NEW DELHI: Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday said by giving an "effective response" to the 2019 Pulwama attack, India set an example that it can take strong decisions for the respect of its troops.

Unveiling a book here on the 82-year history of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), the largest paramilitary force of the country, Shah said the central armed police forces (CAPFs) like the CRPF are faced

Wanted To Show Envoys J&K's March To Development: MEA



File Photo: Abid Bhat

Press Trust Of India

NEW DELHI: The visit by 24 foreign envoys to Jammu and

Kashmir was aimed at enabling them to witness the union territory's march on the path of inclusive

India Rejects UN Special Rapporteurs Comments On J&K

India on Thursday hit out at two UN Special Rapporteurs for criticising its policies towards Jammu and Kashmir, asserting that the region is an "integral and inalienable" part of the country. India's reaction came after Special Rapporteur on minority issues, Fernand de Varennes, and Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or

Panel Bars Private Schools From Charging 'Any Kind Of Fee'

Agencies

SRINAGAR: The Committee for Fixation and Regulation of Fee of Private Schools (FFRC) on Friday asked private schools of Jammu and Kashmir not to enhance any kind of fee for the ongoing academic session.

FFRC Chairperson Muzaffar Hussain Attar in an order said that it has decided that all the private schools functioning in Kashmir division and winter

zone of Jammu division shall not enhance any amount of fee for the current academic session.

Attar said that the charges like tuition fee, annual fee, bus fee and any other kind of fee during the academic session 2020-21 shall not be hiked or enhanced and those schools affiliated with Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) for academic session 2021-22. He said, "All the. [More On P10](#)

J&K Doesn't Have Any Primitive Tribal Group

No Survey Done To Ascertain Pre-Agricultural Communities In UT: Govt

AGENCIES

SRINAGAR: Jammu & Kashmir doesn't have any primitive tribal group while no survey has been undertaken to ascertain pre-agricultural communities

in the Union Territory.

Official documents reveal that the department of Tribal Affairs has communicated to the Forest department that there is no primitive tribal group in J&K.

"The Tribal Affairs Department of J&K Government was requested to intimate the details of the Primitive Tribal Groups and Pre-Agricultural Communities (PAC). [More On P10](#)

Major Reshuffle In J&K Police On Cards

DGP, IGP's; Several SSP's Likely To Get Shifted



File Photo

Agencies

SRINAGAR: Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) is all set to make a major reshuffle in the Jammu and Kashmir Police department for the first time since the abrogation of special status and bifurcation of the erstwhile state into two Union Territories.

In the major reshuffle, DGP Dilbagh Singh, IGP rank

officers, several SSP's and SP's are likely to be shifted and transferred to new places for posting, a local news agency KDC reported Friday while quoting unnamed sources.

"The exercise for a massive reshuffle in police administration has been set into motion with the proposals being processed and finalized for the transfer of senior IPS officers. [More On P10](#)

J&K's Intel Chief Promoted To DGP Rank

Jammu & Kashmir's intelligence chief, RR Swain, and another senior IPS officer has been promoted to the rank of director general of police. According to an order issued by Ministry of Home Affairs, R R Swain. [More On P10](#)

Govt Sets Up UMTAs For Jammu, Srinagar

Press Trust Of India

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir administration on Friday accorded sanction for the establishment of Unified Metropolitan Transport Authorities (UMTAs) for the twin capital cities of Srinagar and Jammu, an official order said. Union Territory's Chief Secretary B V R Subrahmanyam will head the

20-member UMTAs.

The members include a nominee each of the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban affairs, National Highways Authority of India, Northern Railways, Airports Authority of India and Inland Waterways Authority of India, among others. Besides, two experts from the field of urban. [More On P10](#)

JCCI Threatens Stir Over Property Tax Imposition

Press Trust Of India

JAMMU: No major economic activity has taken place in Jammu and Kashmir since after the abrogation of Article 370 in August 2019, the Jammu Chamber of Commerce and Industries (JCCI) said on Friday, demanding immediate lifting of curbs on the movement of people to and from the union territory.

The traders body also

opposed the proposed property tax and said it would not hesitate to launch an agitation if it is imposed.

"The business community suffered economic losses due to strict restrictions in the wake of August 5, 2019 events followed by a prolonged coronavirus-induced lockdown. No major economic activity has taken place (in Jammu and Kashmir) after. [More On P10](#)



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