

NEET-UG paper leak: CBI arrests 5

NEW DELHI: The CBI arrested five persons and conducted searches at multiple locations across the country in the NEET UG paper leak case as protests over the cancellation of the examination intensified on Wednesday and the chorus for Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan's resignation grew louder.

During the day, a plea was filed in the Supreme Court by the Federation of All India Medical Association (FAIMA) seeking a complete overhaul of the National Testing Agency (NTA) and its replacement with a "technologically advanced and autonomous body" to restore the integrity of medical entrance exams.

A political blame game also erupted with the Congress and the TMC claiming some of the arrested were associated with the BJP.

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister C. Joseph Vijay said the paper leak and P11

Spend 'wisely', reduce fuel expenses: PM to ministers

Hails decisions to hike MSP for 14 Kharif crops



NEW DELHI: After a public call to reduce fuel use, stop gold purchase and other measures to reduce the import bill, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday urged his cabinet colleagues to cut down unnecessary expenditure, including on petrol, sources said.

During a meeting of the Union Cabinet chaired by

the prime minister, he is learnt to have told ministers that they must focus on cost-cutting and consciously reduce spending of resources in the wake of the West Asia crisis.

Sources said the prime minister also urged the ministers to cut down their convoy size and foreign visits, after which several ministers announced steps in this regard.

Prime Minister Modi himself significantly reduced his convoy size, days after he appealed for cutting down fuel consumption and spending more wisely, prompting several BJP chief ministers and other leaders to adopt similar measures.

Official sources said that the prime minister's appeal is not about spending less but spending more wisely by reducing fuel consumption, avoidable dependence on imported goods and foreign-currency-intensive services.

They also stressed that the Modi government is not cutting capital expenditure, welfare spending or subsidies.

A downsizing in the prime minister's convoy was implemented in his recent domestic visits. The reduction was done while maintaining essential security components as per P11

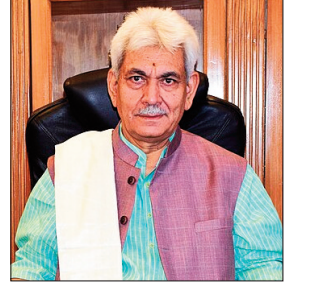
SP Smart School proves its mettle in JKBOSE 11th Results
Sarika, Ritika, Mansi secure top 3 positions; 32 students grab top 10 slots, 85% get distinctions

JAMMU: Riding strong on the back of its robust education model, extensive focus on research and meticulously structured holistic development of the students, SP Smart School has yet again proved its mettle, securing top three positions across Jammu Division in the Class 11th results for the year 2026 declared by the Jammu & Kashmir Board of School Education on Wednesday.

SP Higher Secondary School's Sarika Saini topped across Jammu P11



LG, DGP Prabhat, IGP Sujit reduce convoy size to half



JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Wednesday decided to reduce his convoy size to half following Prime Minister Narendra Modi's appeal for cutting down fuel

consumption and spending more wisely, officials said here. Sinha has decided to cut down the size of his official cavalcade by half following prime minister's appeal to the countrymen for saving fuel, Lok Bhawan officials said here. Following the decision,

J&K Director General of Police (DGP) Nalin Prabhat and Inspector General of Police (IGP) Security Sujit Kumar have also scaled down their security convoys by half.

Sources said the move is intended to ensure smoother traffic movement, P11

2 held for aiding JeM terrorists

JAMMU: Jammu and Kashmir Police on Wednesday arrested two individuals for allegedly providing logistical support and shelter to foreign members of terror outfit Jaish-e-Muhammad's Sai-fullah group in Kishtwar district, officials said.

The arrested persons were Mashkoor Ahmed, a resident of Beighpora Singhpora who worked as a government school teacher, and Maneer Ahmed, a resident of Bandeyan Naidgam.

The arrests came as part of the P11

Bodies of J-K residents repatriated

SRINAGAR: Chief Minister Omar Abdullah has expressed gratitude to External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar for facilitating the repatriation of the mortal remains of six residents of Jammu & Kashmir who lost their lives in a tragic road accident in Kuwait.

The Chief Minister also appreciated the efforts of the Indian Embassy in Kuwait for extending timely assistance and support to the bereaved families during this difficult time. P11

Army Cmr reviews security 'dynamics'

SRINAGAR: Northern Army Commander Lieutenant General Pratik Sharma on Wednesday reviewed the prevailing security situation in the Kashmir valley.

"Lt Gen Pratik Sharma, #ArmyCdrNC, chaired a security review and coordination meeting at #Srinagar, where he was briefed by all Joint Control Centres (#JCC) and received comprehensive operational updates on the prevailing security situation in the presence of key stakeholders," the Army's Northern Command said in a post on

J&K Bank holds interaction with leading dealers

SRINAGAR: Reinforcing its focus on strengthening retail lending partnerships and expanding vehicle finance business across the region, J&K Bank today organised an interaction programme with authorized car dealers of Kashmir here at its Corporate Headquarters.

The programme witnessed participation from all major automobile dealers of the Valley representing leading brands including Maruti Suzuki, Hyundai, Tata Motors, Mahindra, Kia, P11

100-DAY NASHA MUKT JK ABHIYAAN

STOP DRUGS

DAY 33

The EARTH NEWS joins with the campaign launched by Honourable Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha Ji to eradicate drug menace from union territory of J&K.

Sinha joins 'Padyatra' in Kupwara Campaign against narcotics in J-K turning into revolution: LG



SRINAGAR: Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Wednesday said the anti-drug campaign in Jammu and Kashmir has dealt a severe blow to the drug-smuggling ecosystem, and that the mass movement is transforming into a revolution against narcotics.

The campaign, titled 'Nasha Mukta Jammu and Kashmir Abhiyaan', reached north Kashmir's Kupwara district on Wednesday, with Sinha leading a padyatra from the Government Boys Higher Secondary School to Main Chowk P11

Eleven DLs of violators disqualified

PULWAMA: In a significant administrative crackdown designed to dismantle the operational capacity of drug traffickers, the Motor Vehicle Department (MVD) Pulwama has officially disqualified the driving licenses of 11 individuals linked to various offenses under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act.

This coordinated strike follows the stringent directives issued by the Deputy Commissioner Pulwama, Dr. Basharat Qayoom (IAS), acting upon detailed intelligence and P11

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Gitanjali Thakur (495/500)	Manya Jheewar (495/500)	Samneet Kour (495/500)	97% & ABV: 79
Sabhia Firdous (492/500)	Shagun Sharma (492/500)	Ishman Kour (492/500)	95% & ABV: 164
Atiya Fatima (490/500)	Shivani Verma (490/500)	Rasagya (490/500)	90% & ABV: 366
Ridhima (490/500)	Sidra Banoo (489/500)	Sehar Verma (489/500)	75% & ABV: 948
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